

News for this week

11th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Our first full week at back at school has been a smooth one. It was so lovely to see so many of you at our 'Meet the Teacher' meetings and our EYFS coffee morning. Thank you all for attending. I hope you found the meetings enjoyable and informative. We appointed our new Team Captains for this year. Well done to Alice, Amalie, Ben and Rupert. There were strong speeches from all the candidates and I was also extremely proud of Theo, Ave, Rafael, Lilly and Lewis for showing maturity, resilience and good sportsmanship during the process. Our first visit of the year from Electric Umbrella was lively and energetic. The children really enjoyed a whole school assembly and then were able to participate in workshops in the afternoon. We look forward to welcoming them back later in this year.

This week, Cherry Class have settled in brilliantly and thoroughly enjoyed exploring their classroom and garden as they build new relationships. The children have been building routines and learning all about their new friends with the help of Sid the Sloth during circle time. The nursery rhyme of the week is 'Baa Baa Black Sheep'.

Maple Class have had a lot of fun playing with old friends as they explored their classroom this week. They really enjoyed discovering the characters in their English book, 'Frog and the Stranger' and discussing how first impressions of people may not always be the most accurate. In Art, the children have started to think about all the art they can create using the natural world around them, and are on the look out for leaves, twigs and conkers to help them in the coming weeks.

It was a fantastic first full week back for Chestnut Class. They loved their activities all about our school values and had to use lots of their co-operation skills to achieve them as a team. They have also settled into their new routines and started 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' in English, where they have been showing off some of their sentence writing skills.

In Bonsai Class, the children demonstrated fantastic resilience and teamwork when challenged to design and build a tower sturdy enough to support a Disney character. Alongside this, the children have created beautiful landscape pictures in Art with a focus on perspective. Every member of Bonsai class has thoroughly enjoyed diving into their new reading book, 'Crater Lake', and eagerly await each new chapter to find out what happens next.

You will have received an email regarding attendance. Please do read the information carefully. As a school, we monitor attendance very closely and it is important for your child to be in school each day, even with minor ailments. Please do not take holidays and long weekends in term time. We have, unfortunately, had a number of children absent already.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs Walton-Jones

Headteacher

Autumn Term Dates 2026

- 14th Sep—Teacher-led Clubs start
- 18th Sep—Jeans for Genes Day—Wear jeans / donate £1
- 22nd Sep—Nasal Flu Vaccinations YR to Y6
- 22nd Sept—All Y5 and Y6 girls Tag Rugby event
- 24th Sep—ADPRs sent home for individual pupils
- 1st Oct—Poetry Day
- 2nd Oct—Wonder Dome in School for all pupils
- 5th Oct—Space Week
- 6th Oct—Bonsai Class Trip to Sky Studios
- 9th Oct—World Mental Health Day—Wear yellow / donate £1
- 12th Oct—Parent Consultations 3.30—5.30pm
- 13th Oct—Y6 Health Check Questionnaires
- 14th Oct—Chestnut Class Volcano workshop
- 16th Oct—Bonsai Class Assembly
- 21st Oct—Parent Consultations 4.30pm—7.30pm
- 22nd Oct—Harvest - Donations for Luton Food Bank
- 23rd Oct—Break the Rules Day
- 26th Oct—HALF TERM
- 2nd Nov—Back to school
- 4th Nov—Individual school photos
- 11th Nov—Remembrance Day
- 12th Nov—Flu 'mop up' day
- 13th Nov—Children in Need Day—Non uniform day—£1
- 16th Nov—Anti Bullying Week
- 17th Nov—Health checks by school nurses for Y6
- 23rd Nov—UK Parliament Week
- 26th Nov—Gift for the North Pole shop — Non uniform day
- 27th—Occasional Day—School closed



Bright Stars



Bright Star Awards - Friday 11th September 2026

Nursery	Oscar	For his great listening and role model behaviour.
Reception	Dax	For challenging himself to come into school with a smile.
Year 1	Leo	For using his directional skills to demonstrate some brilliant turning in Maths.
Year 2	Reggie	For showing how he can make positive choices to be a kind friend.
Year 3	Darcy	For settling into Year Three with ease and enthusiasm. Darcy has shown a great willingness to help and to learn.
Year 4	Rosie	For starting Year Four as a successful role model to the other children. You have been looking after property, following class routines and being helpful to the new Year Three pupils.
Year 5	Henry	For listening to others when they are talking and valuing every viewpoint alongside confidently sharing his own ideas.
Year 6	Ava	For being a fantastic role model in Bonsai class, demonstrating how to care for the classroom and the resources.

Attendance

Year Group	Attendance for the week beginning 7th September
Nursery	84%
Reception	95%
Year 1	98.04%
Year 2	82.54%
Year 3	91.25%
Year 4	92.86%
Year 5	97.78%
Year 6	97.64%

Make sure you arrive to school on time please and come into school each day.

OVERALL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS 94.15% FOR THIS WEEK

Home Learning Superstars

Year Group	Reading	Numbots/ TTRS
Cherry	Oscar, Quinn, Frankie, Ruben, Dax, Axel, Theo, Max	-
Maple	Robin, Marlee	Robin, Amelia, Frankie
Chestnut	Daisy, Tami, Matilda, Alfie, Finley, Cobi, Leo	Cordelia, Austin, Leo, Matilda, Daisy, Xander, Ella, Alfie
Bonsai	Theo	Alice

Each week, we check who has met the home learning expectations. The new chart above shows which children in each class met those expectations.

Congratulations to all these pupils who had extra break time this week.





Photos of our wonderful week



Cherry Class



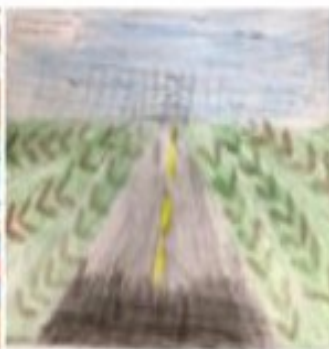
Maple Class



Chestnut Class



Bonsai Class



Photos of our wonderful week

Our New Team Captains



Congratulations to Alice, Amalie, Ben and Rupert

Our Electric Umbrella Assembly was great and our Workshops were AMAZING!



Some more Reading Challenge Superstars



Well done to Matilda, Cordelia, Penny, Henry, Mason and Ralph

Family Information



Flamstead Village Show

This Saturday is the Flamstead Village Show in the Village Hall from 2pm.

(Dog Show from 12)

Please do pop down with your children and show your support.

There are lots of categories for children to enter such as drawing, crafts, bookmark marking fruit scones, models and potato growing so do enter. Entries to be delivered between 8.30am and 10.30am. It would be lovely to have winners from Flamstead Village School.



SEND PARENT AND CARE INFORMATION FAYRE 13TH OCTOBER

BOOK YOUR FREE PLACE BELOW - see the flyer attached to our newsletter

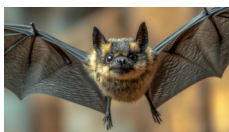
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Wildlife Trust

As the nights get darker earlier you may like to embrace the autumn weather and enjoy finding out how you can support the local wildlife.

The wildlife trust has lots of information and ideas. Maybe you could build a bat box.

Do take a look at the link below.



[How to build a bat box | The Wildlife Trusts](#)



Do you have a fussy eater or need a little support with your child's food choices or eating habits?

You might find the following website helpful.

[Food therapy for fussy eating children from toddlers to teens | Magnificent Munchers](#)

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**DSPL8 SEND
Parent & Carers Information Fayre**

Tuesday 13th October 2026

9.30am until 12.30pm

At the the Grove Hill

Adventure Playground

Redbourn Road, HP2 7BA

BOOK YOUR SPOT

*This **FREE** event is for Parents and Carers of Children
with SEN or Disabilities; we will have local
services/providers information stands, activities for
children & refreshments!*

