Flamstead
VILLAGE SCHOOL

News for this week

16th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another lovely school week in school with sports trips to Longdean School and Volcano Workshop for Chestnut Class and a Rocksteady Music Assembly on Thursday that all the children enjoyed. It was lovely to see lots of parents and carers at our first of two Parent Consultation Evenings on Monday. I hope you found the meetings useful. Please do remember to fill in your parent surveys, either online or by filling a paper copy in when you come in for your meeting. The QR code for the link is below and also in your email. We also enjoyed our first class assembly of the year with Bonsai Class putting on a superb assembly today for the school and families to enjoy.

Cherry Class have enjoyed the new enhanced provision boxes in their outdoor classroom and the redesigned story shed has been very popular. They have been exploring autumn through Literacy and Art and, in Maths, they have been using the language of comparison. In their PE lesson, they discussed the people who help them and became ambulance drivers. The nursery rhyme of the week is 'Pat-a-cake'.

This week, Maple Class took their Art lesson outside to create some giant mandala patterns using natural materials, showing pattern and symmetry. In Science, they carried out an experiment to help understand the how washing hands well helps gets rid of germs and keeps us healthy and they really enjoyed adding drama to their History lesson, acting out the story of Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot.

This week, Chestnut Class have been busy learning, creating and sharing their ideas! They have written their own persuasive speeches and I am looking forward to hearing their speeches over the next few days. In Maths, they have been learning about 'Think 10' and 'Think 100', impressing their teachers with how quickly they grasped these new strategies. They thoroughly enjoyed the LEGO Build Volcanos workshop, where they had the opportunity to get creative and explore their ideas. In Science, they have been learning about the digestive system and brought their learning to life by creating their own models using plasticine. They should be very proud of their enthusiasm, creativity and fantastic attitude towards their learning.

19 of our Chestnut Y3 and Y4 children had an amazing time at a Target Games competition this week at Longdean School. We are looking forward to getting the results of the competition next week. They all did so well with activities such as hoop shooting, archery and target throwing. You were all a credit to our school!

This week, the children in Bonsai Class have been excitedly planning and rehearsing their Class Assembly. They thought carefully about what they are most proud of and what they have enjoyed so far this year. It has been lovely to see their fantastic teamwork shine through, particularly during the rehearsals.

We are sadly saying goodbye to Miss Wheatley at the end of this half term. Maple Class and the rest of the school will miss her greatly, but we hope to still see her working with some of her children as she moves into a new role with 'Changing Leaves'. We thank Miss Wheatley for everything she has done and for our dedication to our school. Goodbye and Good Luck!

Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you next week for our last week before the half term break. Please bring your Harvest food donations in on Wednesday and get ready to 'Break the Rules' on Friday!

Kind regards

Mrs Walton-Jones

Headteacher

Autumn Term Dates 2026

20th Oct—Yrs 2-4 Cross Country Event, 10-11:30am
20th Oct—Yrs 5 & 6 Cross Country Event, 1-2:30pm
21st Oct—Parent Consultations, 4:30—7:30pm (no clubs)
22nd Oct—Harvest—Donations for Luton Food Bank in today
23rd Oct—Break the Rules Day—donate online or on the day
26th Oct—HALF TERM
2nd Nov—Back to School
3rd Nov—Yr 4 DSSN Games Event, 9:30-11:45am
4th Nov—Individual School Photos
5th Nov—HCL Themed Bonfire Lunch Menu
7th Nov—FoFS Firework Display—tickets online now!
11th Nov—Remembrance Day
12th Nov—Flu 'mop up' day
12th Nov—HCL Themed Diwali Lunch Menu
13th Nov—Children in Need Day—Non Uniform—Donate £1
16th Nov—Anti Bullying Week
17th Nov—Yr 6 Health Checks by Nursing Team
23rd Nov—UK Parliament Week
26th Nov—Gift for the North Pole Shop—Non Uniform Day
27th Nov—Occasional Day—School Closed
30th Nov—Assessment Week
7th Dec—Last week for Teacher led Clubs
7th Dec—Pantomime 1-3pm—Nursery pupils invited back
9th Dec—North Pole Shop open
10th Dec—Christmas Jumper and Christmas Lunch Day
11th Dec—St Leonard's Church Service at 2.30pm
14th Dec—No teacher led clubs this week
14th Dec—School Discos for EYFS/KS1—4.15pm—5.45pm
14th Dec—School Disco for KS2—6.00pm—7.30pm
15th Dec—EYFS/KS1 Production at 9am—Parents welcome
16th Dec—EYFS/KS1 Production at 3.30pm—Parents welcome
18th Dec—Class Parties—wear party clothes
18th Dec—Term ends at 1.30pm

Bright Stars

Bright Star Awards - Friday 16th October 2026

Nursery	Felicity	For her recipe writing during independent learning.
Reception	Reuben	For his imaginative play during independent learning time.
Year 1	Jesse	For using his phonic strategies to help his spelling when writing some great instructions in English.
Year 2	Frankie	For leading her drama group well in our Guy Fawkes History lesson this week.
Year 3	Lenny	For showing resilience and creativity when making your volcano structure at our Volcano Workshop.
Year 4	George	For showing good listening, resilience and hard work when making your volcano structure at our Volcano Workshop.
Year 5	Olivia	For excellent work on using coordinating and subordinating conjunctions in sentences.
Year 6	George	For sharing many interesting facts about World War 2 with great enthusiasm.

Attendance

Year Group	Attendance for the week beginning 12th October
Nursery	88%
Reception	98.33%
Year 1	98.82%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	89.38%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	100%

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

OVERALL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS 97.49% FOR THIS WEEK

Home Learning Superstars

Year Group	Reading	Numbots/ TTRS
Cherry	Felicity, Oscar, Max, Dax, Quinn, Theo, Frankie, Reuben	Axel, Quinn, Max, Theo, Poppy, Maya, Oscar, Millie
Maple	Edie, Amelia, Reggie, Penny	Leo, Roman, Delilah, Oscar, Axel, Greyson, Amelia
Chestnut	Matilda, Cordelia, George M, Ella, Joni, Leo, Alfie, Isaac, Xander	Austin, Cordelia, Joni, Ada, Matilda, Ferne, Jasper, Jude, Alfie, Finley, Leo, Heidi
Bonsai	Theo, Evie, Alice, Rupert, Sasha, Lewis, Olivia	Harrison, Henry, Olivia, Ben, Lewis

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



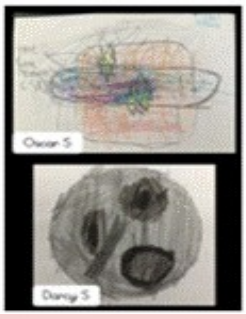



Our Year Three and Year Four Target Games Participants

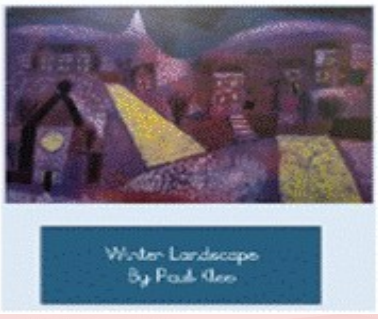





Bonsai Class







Family Information

Our Annual Fireworks Event—Don't miss out!

Join us on **Saturday, 7th of November 2026** for an unforgettable evening as we light up the skies above Flamstead with our spectacular Fireworks Display!

Last year, tickets sold out in record time so this year, priority was given to those with children at Flamstead Village School up until 9th October but there may still be tickets left.
Please book NOW to secure your tickets.

This dazzling event is a celebration of community spirit and family fun. With a BBQ, bar, hot drinks and glow toys, it's the perfect place to gather with family and friends to celebrate Bonfire night.

Gates open at 5:30pm ready for a 6:30pm display.



Tickets are on sale now at flamsteadfireworks.uk

So mark your calendars, secure your tickets, and join us in lighting up the night to support Flamstead Village School!





Mental Health First Aid Training

This is a free Course to support families with children in KS2 and beyond.

Luton Foodbank Donations on Wednesday

[Donate Food - Luton FoodBank]



Rice pudding (Tinned)	Instant Noodles	Meat (Tinned)
Custard (Tinned)	Vegetables (Tinned)	Fruit (Tinned)
Fruit Juice (Carton)	Dried Rice (500g)	Soup
Milk (UHT)	Baked Beans (Tinned)	Tomatoes (Tinned)
Fish (Tinned)	Tinned Pasta in Sauce	Sauce for Pasta
Breakfast Cereal	Tea Bags	Biscuits (single packs)
Sugar (500g)	Pasta (500g)	



Friends of Flamstead School

BREAK the RULES DAY



Rules to be broken include:

1. Wear school uniform
2. Bring a healthy lunch or snack
3. Have neat hair
4. No temporary tattoos
5. No nail varnish
6. No make-up
7. Wear school shoes

Here's how it works:

When?

Friday 23rd Oct

£1 per rule you would like to break.
Or £5 for as many rules as you would like!
Payable in class or via card in the main playground at drop-off

Parentkind Member Association



scan to buy your tickets

flamsteadfireworks.uk

ONLINE TICKET PURCHASE ONLY
no ticket sales at the gate

Adults: £9
Children Under 16: £6
Kids Under 3: FREE
Family Tickets: £25

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Please join us for a

Flamstead School Christmas Party

4.15pm-5.45pm (EYFS & KS1)

6pm-7.30pm (KS2)

Monday **14** December

Flamstead Village School

Please give £2 per child via Arbor

Adults must accompany children from Nursery please.

Kindly supported by FoFS



Join St Leonard's Junior CHRISTMAS CHOIR

We are looking for children who love to sing to join our new Junior Christmas Choir.
The choir will perform at our Crib Service on Christmas Eve, 3.30pm in St Leonard's Church.

Open to children in Year 1 and above.
No experience needed.
£5 per session.
6 weeks of rehearsals from Thursday 12th November, 6-7pm at St Leonard's Church.

Registration by 3rd November is essential.
Email Rev Sam on fmcurate@gmail.com

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