



# SPELLBROOK CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



LEARN TOGETHER - ENJOY TOGETHER - SUCCEED TOGETHER

## NEWSLETTER – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021

### VALUE: Thankfulness

‘Always give thanks for everything to God the Father’ Ephesians 5:20

A thankful heart is a happy heart” anonymous



### FROM THE HEADTEACHER

This week has been an incredibly busy week for all of the staff. On Monday we hosted three other Headteachers from local schools who came in as part of a Peer Review process. This uses local expertise in helping school leaders to review the practise in their schools. We are working with four other schools and I will be leading a review in one of the other schools later on this term. The Headteachers came in to review the work we have been doing with the children on developing the use of language for learning and the way we encourage children to extend their vocabulary. These colleagues went into classrooms and asked children and teachers about the learning. It was pleasing to have the reassurance that we are all working well together and the children are using the language structures to help them solve maths problems.

On Tuesday, the children in Years 1 - 3 went to the seaside. This was a rescheduled trip that had originally been planned for the end of last term, but was postponed due to Covid-19.

We also had a review on Wednesday where our Hertfordshire Improvement Partner looked at our provision for reading from the Early Years and up through the school. The reading is going very well and so many parents are supporting their children by reading regularly. Please do continue to do this.

Have a good weekend and stay safe.  
Jeremy Fisher

### From our Journalists

## TRIP TO SOUTHEND

By Frank and Natasha

The year 1, 2 and 3's went to South End. Then went to the aquarium and saw sting rays, sharks also clownfish.



After they had their packed lunches and after that they went to the amazing beach and they collected the mysterious shells.

They built sand creatures.



## MESSAGE FROM GREAT ST MARY'S CHURCH



*Fr Simon writes:*

It was such a joy to see pupils, parents, teachers, staff and governors all at Great St Mary's last Friday for the school harvest festival - the first time since the beginning of the pandemic and the first time since I arrived in Sawbridgeworth. The children read and sang wonderfully, and, being up front, I also got to see some of the excellent, imaginative artwork created by

Ruby Class.

What a special occasion! Not least because, as part of our thankfulness for all that we have in life, donations for the Harlow Foodbank were brought along and, by the time they were added to those which were brought to church on Sunday morning, we were able to send a whopping 203kg of resources to the foodbank.

If you work on the principle that each person eats, on average, 2kg per day, that's over three month's food for a person, or, for an average size family, a month's worth of food.

An incredible effort which I know will be enormously appreciated. So thank you all.

God bless you all.

*Fr Simon*





## STARS OF THE WEEK

### Ruby

- Niah for great resilience when building her bridge in Science.

### Sapphire

- Pedro for working more independently in lessons.
- Tristan for always helping out around the classroom.



### Emerald

- Jim for fantastic contributions during RE lessons.
- Sid for always being respectful and showing kindness to his friends.

### Diamond

- Ava for superb focus and effort in independent writing.
- Jasper for excellent partner work.



## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Year 2  
Georgia



## PE DAYS

**Ruby Class** – Tuesday & Thursday

**Sapphire Class** – Tuesday & Thursday

**Emerald Class** – Wednesday & Friday

**Diamond Class** – Monday & Wednesday



*Children should come to school dressed in their PE kit. As the weather turns colder, please ensure that your child wears warm clothing i.e. navy blue PE joggers/zip-up hooded jacket and a weather-proof coat.*

## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Whole School  
Attendance - 97%**

**Whole School Target Set – 96%**

### Attendance Ladder



Please contact school on the first day of any absence. This can be done by calling **01279 723 204, Option 1** and then leaving a message on the absence line.

If you are going to be late, please also advise the school office to ensure a meal is ordered in time.

## NOTICES

- Individual/Sibling Photos** are on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October**. Please ensure children are in full uniform. Children who have PE on the day will also need to be in full uniform.

- Year 2 Scooter Training** is on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October**. To participate, children will need to bring in a standard two or three wheeled scooter with a rear brake. If your child does not have one, please let Mrs Smith know. Herts County Council strongly supports the wearing of a helmet during the session.

- Reception Class Photo** – On **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October**, the Bishop's Stortford Independent will be taking a photo of our new Reception class to feature in their paper along with all the other schools in the area. Please ensure children are in full uniform.

- Nasal Flu Vaccination** is on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October**. If you have not yet returned your consent form, please do so by **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October**.

## NEXT WEEK'S MENU

Day	Menu
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Beef Bolognese (Red)</li> <li>❖ Vegetarian Sausages with Potato Wedge (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> </ul>
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Italiano Chicken Fillet with Savoury Rice (Red)</li> <li>❖ Macaroni Cheese (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> </ul>
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Roast Pork (Red)</li> <li>❖ Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes/ Pasta (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> </ul>
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Beef Burger in a Bun (Red)</li> <li>❖ Vegetarian Roll with Diced Potatoes (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> </ul>
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Salmon Fish Fingers (Red)</li> <li>❖ Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> </ul>



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
11/10/21	Individual/Sibling Photos
15/10/21	Reception Class Photo
12/10/21	Year 2 Scooter Training
20/10/21	Nasal Flu Vaccine – Rec to Year 6
22/10/21	Inset 2
25/10/21 - 29/10/21	Half Term
16/11/21 – 22/11/21	Year 5 Mini Police
15/12/21	Emerald Class Swimming – Last Lesson
21/12/21	Last Day of Term
05/01/22	Inset 3
06/01/22	First Day Back
14/02/22 – 18/02/22	Half Term
31/03/22	Last Day of Term
01/04/22	Inset 4
19/04/22	First Day Back
30/05/22 – 03/06/22	Half Term
06/06/22	Inset 5
08/06/22 – 10/06/22	Diamond Class Residential
20/07/22	Last Day of Term
21/07/22	Occasional Day
22/07/21	Jubilee Bank Holiday in lieu

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Website: [www.spellbrook.herts.sch.uk](http://www.spellbrook.herts.sch.uk)

## Please park SAFELY

We need everyone to play their part in keeping the roads near schools safe.

### DRIVERS SHOULD NOT:

- park on yellow zig zag markings.
- park on double yellow lines at any time, or on single yellows during restricted hours.
- park or drive on footpaths.
- park within 10 metres of a junction, as this decreases visibility.
- block driveways or dropped kerbs.

You may be issued with a fixed penalty notice. Thank you for your cooperation.



## Please switch off engine when parked



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Whether it's advice on employment rights, benefit entitlements, money worries, housing concerns, relationship challenges, access to local support etc – Citizens Advice is here for you. You can contact us for free and confidential advice in a number of ways:



Call our local **MessageLine** on **01920 459944** (any time) and one of our advisers will call you back.

Or call our **Herts Adviceline** (10am-4pm Mon to Fri) on **0800 144 8848** (you may have to wait in a queue)



See our **website** for **online advice** options  
[www.citizensadviceeastherts.org.uk/get-advice-2/](http://www.citizensadviceeastherts.org.uk/get-advice-2/)

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## Energy and Debt Advice Support for Families

With the energy cost crisis looming, there is support available in the local area for “Fuel poor households” as this could be a worrying time for some families. Please see below for a couple of useful links:

<https://www.eastherts.gov.uk/housing/hertfordshire-warmer-homes-scheme>

<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/energy/energy-supply/>

For support needed around debt, so again below a couple of links to help with this issue;

<https://www.stepchange.org/>

<https://www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en?source=mas#>



## BISHOP'S STORTFORD RUGBY CLUB OCTOBER HALF TERM CAMP 2021

**WHEN:** Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 October

**WHO:** Boys and Girls U6 - U12

**TIME:** Start 09:30 and finish at 15:00 (Arrive from 09:15)

**WHERE:** Bishop's Stortford Rugby Club

**FOOD:** Packed lunch, a snack and water bottle for the day (no nuts)

**KIT CHECK:** Rugby boots, Trainers, Gumshields, suitable training kit and a spare set of clothes

**COST:** £30 per day

**COURSE CONTENT:** Tackle/Tagging Technique, Handling, Evasion Games/ Gameplay, various other activities and lots of fun.

For further details please contact:

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or call **Marcus** on **07870 163675**

Or visit: [www.bsrfc.co.uk](http://www.bsrfc.co.uk)

Application Form available online or by email.

Courses run by BSRFC 1st XV coaches.

