



SPELLBROOK CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



LEARN TOGETHER - ENJOY TOGETHER - SUCCEED TOGETHER

NEWSLETTER – 9th September 2022

VALUE: GENEROSITY

“God Loves a cheerful giver” 2 Corinthians 9:7



FROM THE HEADTEACHER

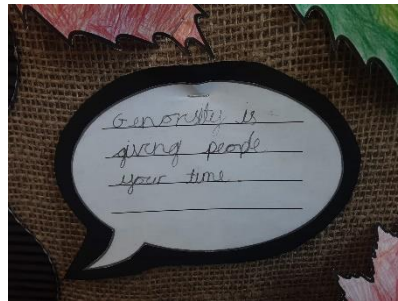
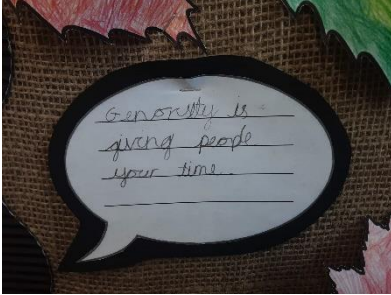
Dear Parents,

After a summer holiday, that I hope has refreshed us all, I am delighted to be back in school. We were delighted to hear that over the summer, Mrs McDonald welcomed into the world, Rocco, and she brought him to see us on one of our INSET days. It was lovely to see both of them doing so well. We have welcomed Mrs Vanessa Todd to the team, as class teacher for Emerald class. We have a new sports coach from Superstar Sports, Adam, who will be teaching PE lessons and taking clubs. We are also welcoming Mrs Sarisha Naidoo, as the new parent governor onto the governing body.

It has been great to see the children back and our attendance has started well. The children are settling back into the routines well and showing the learning behaviour that will enable them to be successful throughout the year. The new children in Reception are coping very well with their transition to the school and enjoying getting to know each other and the activities in Ruby class and around the school grounds. (see above)

We have been very sad to hear of the death of Queen Elizabeth II. Her passing will affect adults and children in different ways and it is important that we support each other with kindness and care. As we mourn and reflect, we will be thinking about ways to come together as a school and recognise the positive impact that she has had on our lives.

Our value for the month is generosity and Emerald Class have updated their reflection area with their ideas on being generous. Later on this term, we will be applying this to Harvest and will let you know more about our plans.



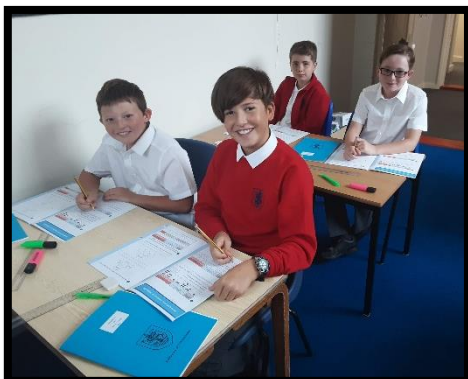
Next week, swimming will begin for Emerald class and it was apparent last year that so many children benefited from the swimming lessons, gaining confidence, safety awareness and swimming skills, so we are pleased to be continuing with this, including subsidising the costs and paying for the transport.

The teachers hope to see you next week at the parent information sessions after school, when they will be able to provide useful information about the year ahead.

- Sapphire: Thursday
- Emerald: Wednesday
- Diamond: Monday

Have a lovely weekend,

Jeremy Fisher





MESSAGE FROM GREAT ST MARY'S CHURCH

Fr Simon writes:

It was with great sadness that yesterday evening we learned of the death of Her Majesty The Queen.

The vast majority of us have never known another monarch of this country. Her long life and reign, and the influence she's had on our nation - and, indeed, on our world - over the past seven decades, was acknowledged yesterday evening by our new Prime Minister Liz Truss when she described The Queen as "the rock on which modern Britain was built. Our country has grown and flourished under her reign."



Since the announcement of The Queen's passing, it's also been noticeable how many of those who knew The Queen have referred to her personal faith. She led her life as a committed and active Christian, something which she was always keen to acknowledge in her Christmas Day addresses to the nation and commonwealth.

As a follower of Jesus Christ, she knew well his story of sacrificial love on a Roman cross. Indeed, in the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks in the United States - the anniversary of which falls this Sunday - The Queen herself reflected on the nature of grief and loss. "Grief", she said, "is the price we pay for love."

No doubt The Queen was reminded of that sentiment last year following the death of her beloved husband Prince Philip. And it's now a sentiment which resonates with so many of us as we acknowledge the place The Queen has had in our lives for so many years, and as we begin to mourn her loss to us and our nation.

Over the next week, many more words will be written and many more tributes will be paid to a woman who, in the words of actress Helen Mirren, was "with or without the crown, the epitome of nobility." We have been blessed and privileged to have been governed by such a committed, faithful, and gracious Sovereign.

God bless,

Fr Simon

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK & DURING THE SUMMER BREAK



Sapphire

Johnny
Donnie
Abel
Kaden
Niah
Jessica
Scarlett



Diamond

Daniel

Emerald

Zainab
Poppy
Alden
Stanley T
Jacob
Flora

STARS OF THE WEEK

Sapphire

- ✚ Lucas for showing amazing learning behaviours.
- ✚ Pedro for his hard work and excellent concentration when working independently.



Emerald

- ✚ Harry F for resilience and effort in his maths.
- ✚ Zainab for settling back so well and making a fantastic start to the term.

Diamond

- ✚ Dominic for excellent focus and hard work all week.
- ✚ Charlie Sa for being a kind and thoughtful role model.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Attendance Ladder



Whole School Attendance – 95.95%

Whole School Target Set – 96%

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

- ✚ **Emerald Class Swimming starts on Wednesday 14th September.** Please ensure children come to school 'swim ready'. If you have not yet paid, could payments be made on Arbor by clicking on **Trips – Emerald Swimming – Autumn 2022**. Children will not be able to go swimming until consent is provided on Arbor.
- ✚ Parents are invited to brief **Parent Information Meeting** with their child's class teacher **after school** as follows:
Diamond – Monday 12th September
Emerald – Wednesday 14th September
Sapphire – Thursday 15th September

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

Day	Menu
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Chicken Grill (Red) ❖ Italian Pasta Bake (Ve) (Green) ❖ Cheese Roll (Yellow)
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Quorn Hot Dog (V) (Red) ❖ Roasted Tomato Ragu (Ve) (Green) ❖ Ham Roll (Yellow)
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Roast Chicken (Red) ❖ Cheese & Broccoli Bake (V) (Green) ❖ Cheese Roll (Yellow)
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Organic Beefy Pasta (Red) ❖ Savoury Quiche (V) (Green) ❖ Ham Roll (Yellow)
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Crispy Coated Salmon (Red) ❖ Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V) (Green) ❖ Cheese Roll (Yellow)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
12/09/22	Diamond Parent Information Evening
14/09/22	Emerald Parent Information Evening
15/09/22	Sapphire Parent Information Evening
14/09/22	Emerald Swimming starts
24/10/22 – 28/10/22	Half Term
02/12/22	Occasional Day
08/12/22	Pantomime
21/12/22	Last Day of Term
05/01/23	Inset 3
06/01/23	Inset 4
09/01/23	First Day Back
13/02/23 – 17/02/23	Half Term
20/02/23	Inset 5
21/02/23	First Day Back
31/03/23	Last Day of Term
17/04/23	First Day Back
29/05/23 – 02/06/23	Half Term
21/07/23	Last Day of Term

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SILVER: VERY GOOD TRAVEL PLAN 2022



Great St Mary's
Sawbridgworth

Passion for Christ - Compassion for all

Mustard Seed - our new monthly short, informal service with crafts and activities



Followed by a party tea for children and hot refreshments for grown-ups.

Why not join us at 4pm on the third Sunday of the month?

Sunday 15th May
Sunday 19th June
Sunday 17th July

Sunday 18th September
Sunday 16th October
Sunday 20th November



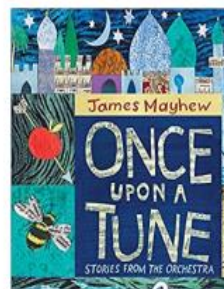
Saturday 1 October 2pm
St Etheldreda's Church
Fore Street
Hatfield AL9 5AN



29 September – 2 October 2022

FAMILY CONCERT Once Upon a Tune

Presented and illustrated by James Mayhew



Join children's illustrator James Mayhew for this spectacular concert with dramatic stories of trolls, flying carpets and magic spells accompanied by some wonderful music including The Sorcerer's Apprentice and William Tell Overture. James will introduce each piece and then paint illustrations live on stage, which will be projected above the musicians so the audience can watch them change and grow in time to the music.

Performed by the The Purcell School for Young Musicians

United Strings of Europe, Ensemble Renard

Director – Paul Hoskins

Tickets: Adults - £12 / 4-18 year olds - £5

For full details and to buy tickets visit: hatfieldhousemusicfestival.org.uk



Hello, Parents & Guardians! We are BeeZee Bodies, and we work with Hertfordshire County Council to provide FREE (and FUN!) healthy lifestyles support for families across Hertfordshire.

WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR FAMILY TO BE HEALTHIER? SIGN UP FOR FREE!

Just go to beezeebodies.com/families (or scan the QR code!) and enter your details. We'll give you a call back to have a quick chat and enrol your family on to your preferred BeeZee Families group!



NEW COURSES START W/C 26TH SEPTEMBER 2022 FOR 12 WEEKS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
BOREHAMWOOD Allum Hall WD6 3PJ 17:00 - 19:00	STEVENAGE Barnwell Middle School SG2 9XT 17:30 - 19:30	HODDESDON St. Cuthberts Church 17:30 - 19:30	WATFORD Knutsford Primary WD24 7ER 17:30 - 19:30
WELWYN GARDEN CITY Ridgeway Academy AL7 2AF 17:00 - 19:00	HEMEL HEMPSTEAD Hobletts Manor Junior School HP2 5JS 17:30 - 19:30		HITCHIN Ickleford Primary School SG5 3GT 18:00 - 19:30
	ST ALBANS Camp Primary & Nursery School AL1 5PE 17:30 - 19:30		

*to be eligible for this awesome free service, your family must live/go to school/be registered with a GP in Hertfordshire and include one child who is above their ideal healthy weight.

BUILD A BALANCED LUNCHBOX! SEND 'EM BACK TO SCHOOL THIS SEPTEMBER WITH A PERFECTLY PACKED, HEALTHY LUNCH! YUM!

CHOOSE YOUR CARBOHYDRATES

Bread • Tortilla wraps • Chapattis • Pitta
• Pasta • Rice • Potatoes • Cassava • Naan

PACK SOME PLANTS

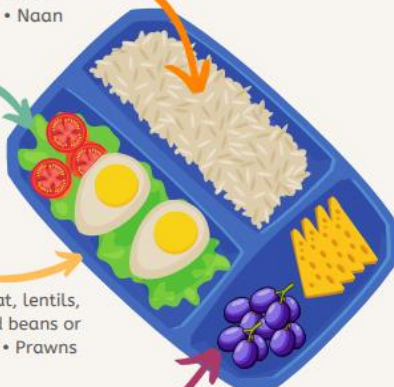
Frozen, tinned or fresh fruit & veg •
Hide peppers, sweetcorn & peppers in
tuna mayo! • Disguise onions and
tomatoes in a curry/stew • Celery or
carrot sticks with their favourite dip.

PICK YOUR PROTEINS

Leftover protein from dinner (e.g. meat, lentils,
tofu or paneer) • Eggs • Tuna • Tinned beans or
low sugar/salt baked beans • Cheese • Prawns

SELECT A SNACK

Cheese slices • Yogurt (try low fat and low sugar options) • Popcorn •
Pita/carrots with hummus • Grapes • Pepper slices • Raisins • Crackers
Mix and match these to get all those nutrients in!



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Terms and conditions:

The Competition will run until the 30th of September 2022. The winner will be chosen at random and notified by the email address and telephone number provided on Monday the 3rd of October 2022.

This is a survey for parents whose children have school meals. The competition will run until 30th September and a £50 Amazon voucher is on offer for the winner who will be drawn on the 3rd October. Please click on the link to complete the survey:
<https://j629vxfj5jz.typeform.com/to/xabdk1ea>

