



SPELLBROOK CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



LEARN TOGETHER - ENJOY TOGETHER - SUCCEED TOGETHER

NEWSLETTER 26th MARCH 2021

VALUE: FORGIVENESS

"Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others." Colossians 3:13

"Anger makes you smaller, while forgiveness forces you to grow beyond what you were."

Cherie Carter Scott



FROM THE HEADTEACHER

This final week of the spring term has been a very good one in school. We had a lovely Easter Service on Monday, outside, led by Father Simon and Reverend Debbie. Fay Clark, our Chair of Governors joined us.



We heard about the confusion experienced by the disciples as they witnessed the unfolding of the Easter story. Four of our Diamond class pupils read from the bible and five others had from mixed up letters.



Each child had to find ten different eggs from on the field, in the meadow and the woodlands, and they had to be a bit creative about how they carried them. Those whose coats had large pockets were fine. Others put them up their jumpers and even in their socks. On returning, some took time to retrieve them from different pockets and seemed to be producing them like little magicians. If they didn't have the full set, they then had to go and have another look, or ask their friends for ideas. They ran around energetically and I saw many examples of children helping others to complete their set. It was great fun and we were then pleased to have their chocolate egg to take home. Thank you to the PTA and parents for supporting this.



School Plan

We have been reviewing our assessments and in many cases the children have done well over the lockdown for reading and writing and we are confident that the way that we teach these subjects will enable any gaps to be filled. We are more concerned about maths as it is a much more mixed picture. There are children who have done well and we are keen to challenge and extend these. There are however quite a lot who completed and uploaded the maths tasks, but didn't watch the videos that were the main part of the lesson. This has affected their understanding and we will therefore

It was lovely to hear the children singing together, something we can only do in large groups outside, and to see all of them (including Reception and Nursery) joining in with the actions. I have missed the singing. Singing brings groups together, and our children love to sing.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the Easter Egg Hunt. It was very well planned and then each class had their turn to go out.

need to go over parts again for those children. We are therefore making some timetabling changes and some changes to how we focus our staff to enable us to respond to this need.

Teachers will be working on the Reports to Parents over the Easter break and we will get to you within a couple of weeks of the start of the summer term.

Have a lovely Easter. Stay safe and well.

Jeremy Fisher



MESSAGE FROM GREAT ST MARY'S CHURCH

Fr Simon writes:

It was such a joy for Revd Debbie, Mrs Clark - your chair of governors - and me to join the school family on Monday for a socially-distanced Easter service in the school gardens. In beautiful early spring weather, songs were sung and the Easter story was told. Over the next week, we'll be telling that story again in our various Holy Week services at Great St Mary's, and you would be very welcome to join us. As we hear of Jesus' Easter resurrection to new life following his death on a Roman cross, it's a story of hope, rebirth and resulting joy which we sincerely hope will be mirrored in our lives over the next few months. Here we are on the cusp of Easter holidays during which we will once again be able to meet up outdoors with others. As the weather steadily improves, we hope and pray that people can stay safe so that that rebirth and new life can continue, bringing eventual joy in relationships re-established and lives lived to the fullest.

From all at Great St Mary's, we wish you a very blessed and joyful Easter.

Fr Simon

STARS OF THE WEEK

YN – Jessie for great joining in with activities.

YR – Aiswarya for focus and effort in all areas.

Y1 – Poppy for amazing effort and concentration in lessons.

Y2 – Zainab for becoming more confident when sharing answers and ideas in class.

Y3 – Michal for working exceptionally hard on his presentation.

Y4 – Taliya for super effort in her Maths lessons this week.

TTRS

TTRS Leaderboard

1. Ranjeet
2. Alfie D
3. Jasper
4. Joseph
5. Sam



Highest earners from each year group

Y6 Alfie C
Y5 Jasper
Y4 Alfie D
Y3 Finley M

Y5 – Frank for a superb effort in everything all week.



Y6 – Leo for fantastic effort and written work in English.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK & DURING THE EASTER BREAK

YR – Martha
Y2 – Stanley H



ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Whole School Attendance – 97.2%

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.

Y2 Lorcan
Y1 Flora



PE DAYS

Ruby Class – Tuesday & Thursday
Sapphire Class – Tuesday & Friday
Emerald Class – Wednesday & Friday
Diamond Class – Monday & Wednesday



Please wear PE Kit to school on these days to avoid the need to change.

NOTICES

School Dinner Accounts

Could parents ensure that all outstanding balances are cleared before the start of the summer term please. If you are having difficulties paying off your balance, please contact the office to arrange a meeting.

BMX Bike Workshop on 12th April 2021

A reminder for Emerald and Diamond to come in their PE kits and bring in a helmet if they have one. Helmets will be provided to children who don't have one.

NEXT WEEKS MENU

Day	Menu
Monday	❖ Fish Fingers (Red) ❖ Cheese Roll (Green)
Tuesday	❖ Beef Burger in a Bun (Red) ❖ Cheese Roll (Green)
Wednesday	❖ Roast Chicken (Red) ❖ Cheese Roll (Green)
Thursday	❖ Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs with Pasta (Red) ❖ Cheese Roll (Green)
Friday	❖ Cheese & Tomato Pizza (Red) ❖ Cheese Roll (Green)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
12/04/21	First Day Back
31/05/21	May Half Term
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04/06/21	
07/06/21	Occasional Day
08/06/21	First Day Back
22/07/21	Last Day of Term
01/09/21	Inset 1
02/09/21	First Day Back
22/10/21	Inset 2
25/10/21	Half Term
–	
29/10/21	
21/12/21	Last Day of Term

Contact: admin@spellbrook.herts.sch.uk
Website: www.spellbrook.herts.sch.uk



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Spellbrook Primary School
5 weeks for £25
3:15-4:15

Book online
www.superstarsport.co.uk
Go to 'Book Sport Clubs'

Select the correct club on the drop down menu

Monday

★ Reception, Year 1 & 2 Football
Starting Monday April 19th

Tuesday

★ Year 3 to Year 6 Football
Starting Tuesday April 20th

Wednesday

★ Reception, Year 1 & 2
Summer Athletics Club!
Starting Wednesday April 21st

Thursday

★ Year 3 to Year 6 Dodgeball
Starting Thursday April 22nd

Call 01992 766 707 for more information

HOCKERILL HCC CRICKET CLUB

Are you interested in playing cricket at HCC this summer?

We are a friendly club with junior teams in the following West Essex District League:

- Under 11s
- Under 13s
- Under 15s

We are looking for new players to join us in school years 4 to 10.

We are also running the ECB All Stars programme for children aged 5 – 8:

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/Course/e1d13e4d-bfd8-4cd7-8761-b7ea4f70ddc3>



Summer Training:

Friday evenings from 16th April
(Bar and family BBQ available – COVID permitting)

Under 11s and All Stars

Time - 6:30 – 7:30pm

Under 13s and Under 15s

Time - 7:30 – 8:30pm

Hockerill Cricket Club
Beldams Lane
Bishop's Stortford
CM23 5LG

Membership cost: £35

Contact: Richard Andrews
Colts Manager
hcc-colts@outlook.com



Hertfordshire
Family Centre
Service

Public Health – School Nursing

Supporting your child's transition back to school after lockdown

Some children will have some worries about returning to school, may find it difficult to return to school, may become upset, distressed or even refuse to go in. There is a presentation to provide information, advice and practical strategies that can be used to support your child's return to school on our website:
<https://www.hct.nhs.uk/our-services/school-nursing/>

Health advice you can trust

It can be tricky to find good health advice on the internet. Try these – they're managed by the school nursing service...



[Health for Kids](#) – local health services and advice for children aged 4 to 11 years old.



[Health for teens](#) – bite-sized info and advice for 11 to 19 year olds in Hertfordshire.

School nurses offer support for emotional wellbeing including anxiety and anger. To refer to our service please go to the Family Centre Service Website and look for school nursing:
<https://www.hertsfamilycentres.org/>

For more information about the School Nursing Service watch a short clip available here:
<https://youtu.be/7RoTkp3vkB0>



Aged 11-19 - Did you know you can text your school nurse for confidential health advice and support? Text 07480 635050. Check out the YouTube link on here:
<https://youtu.be/DBNm1bFcCE>





Well Bean Gardening

Learning through growing
Growing through learning

Come and Grow After-School with Well Bean Gardening

Wednesday April 14 - May 26 from 3.20pm to 4.30pm



- Open to Year 3, 4, 5 & 6
- £31.50 for the seven-week half-term
- All equipment supplied but pupils must bring appropriate clothing as we will be outside in all weathers
- This half-term we'll be:
 - Working in the school garden
 - Planting and growing flowers and food
 - Working towards RHS Campaign for School Gardening Award Scheme

If you would like your child to attend, please return the slip below to the school office in an envelope clearly marked FAO: Well Bean Gardening with £31.50 cash; a cheque made payable to Wendy Gordon or via BACS: Mrs W L Gordon/27441520/07-04-36 (Please use your name as reference) by Monday April 12.

It's important that you return the slip below for safeguarding and emergency contact

I would like my child to attend Spellbrook's After-School Gardening Club:

Child's name: Year group:

Your name: Phone number:

Email:

Any allergies or medical issues that we need to be aware of*:

*Your child's safety is a priority but we can only put measures into place if you let us know.

At 4.30pm my child will be picked up by:

Well Bean Gardening has a Facebook page (please check it out and like) and every week an update of what we get up to at the club will be posted.

If you DO NOT want photos of your child to be used please tick the box:
(Please note that children are never named)

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RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY MONDAY APRIL 12 WITH PAYMENT OF £31.50

Email: wendy@wellbeangardening.com
Mobile: 07817 528652

facebook.com/wellbeangardening
www.wellbeangardening.com

SOCIALLY DISTANCED AND COVID SAFE (LIMITED SPACES)

SPELLBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

STREET DANCE CLUB

WITH AWARD WINNING DANCE COMPANY: HIP HOP POP

MONDAYS 3.30pm – 4.30pm for YEARS 3 to 6



"The coolest club ever!!!"

Participant age 9



"Our daughter has completely fallen in love with hip hop. She looks forward to her lesson every week.

Great class and fantastic teacher"

Parent of participant

CLUB DATES & INFO:

Every week 19th April – 12th July

(excluding 3rd and 31st may for bank holiday and half term)

CLUB PRICE:

£49.50 which equates to £4.50 per class, £15 non-refundable deposit). Fees can be paid in full or in two instalments of £15 and £34.50. If paying in instalments, full fees must be paid by 11th June. **10% off for families booking for more than 1 child discount code: SIBLINGDISCOUNT if booking online**

NOTE: Places are 1st-come-1st-served, spaces are limited, forms must be completed 3 days prior to club start date. You will be contacted to confirm if you have a place.

WHY JOIN?

- ENJOY FUN PACKED SESSIONS
- LEARN AUTHENTIC STREET DANCE
- HIGHLY EXPERIENCED TUTORS
- SAFE ENVIRONMENT
- GROW CONFIDENCE
- IMPROVE MOTOR SKILLS
- DANCE WITH FRIENDS
- MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY
- ENCOURAGE EXPRESSION
- PERFORMANCE AT THE END OF TERM (social distancing permitting)

BOOK ONLINE

WWW.HIPHOPPOP.NET/SCHOOLS

OR USE THE QR CODE →



SCAN ME

OR USE THIS REPLY SLIP: Spellbrook Hip Hop Club for Years 3-6 April to July 2021

Please return this slip with payment (via cash / cheque made payable to Hip Hop Pop Schools Clubs Ltd) to the School Office by 16th April, in an envelope marked with your child's name and Hip Hop Pop

Student Name	Male/Female/Prefer Not To Say	
D.O.B		
Address		
Parent/Guardian Name		
Emergency Contact Number		
Alternative Number		
Email Address		
Medical Conditions?		
Signed by parent / guardian to confirm you have read Terms of Club at www.hiphoppop.net/terms	PLEASE SIGN:	PLEASE DATE:
Your consent is needed... We would love to send you news and info about other Hip Hop Pop activities that may benefit you or your child. Please tick YES to receive this. You can opt out at anytime by emailing us.	YES: NO:	
How much are you paying today?	£15 Deposit (£13.50 if sibling discount applied)	Full Amount

www.hiphoppop.net/schools - @hhpschoolclubs - sinc@hiphoppop.net - 07977 980106

Your child could get a Free School Meal (FSM)

Your child could be eligible for a FSM if you satisfy the qualifying benefit criteria

Why apply for a FSM?

- Your child will receive a healthy nutritional meal
- It will not cost you a penny
- Applying is quick and easy

How do I Apply?

Apply by visiting www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals and selecting the following tab. (You will need your National Insurance Number or Home Office number to hand).

Qualifying Benefits for FSM

- Income Support
- Income based Jobseekers allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (as long as you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and you don't get more than £16,190 a year)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit (with annual earned income of no more than £7,400 a year after tax and not including any benefits you get). This includes those who had free school meals whilst on Universal Credit before April 1st 2018 even if earnings are above that £7400 figure.

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll remain eligible until March 2023, or until they finish their current phase of schooling (primary or secondary), if that's after March 2023.

[Apply for free school meals \(Year 3 and older\) >](#)

Did you know?

Registering for a FSM helps schools identify anyone on low income; the school can then claim additional funding from the government, which can help towards extra computers, books, trips out and staff etc.