



NEWSLETTER – 15th November 2024

VALUE: Compassion

Focus: Remembrance

‘Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.’

Colossians 3.12

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Remembrance has been very much on our minds since the start of this half term. Last week, each class used different techniques, to produce beautiful and original artwork.

Diamond Class



Emerald Class



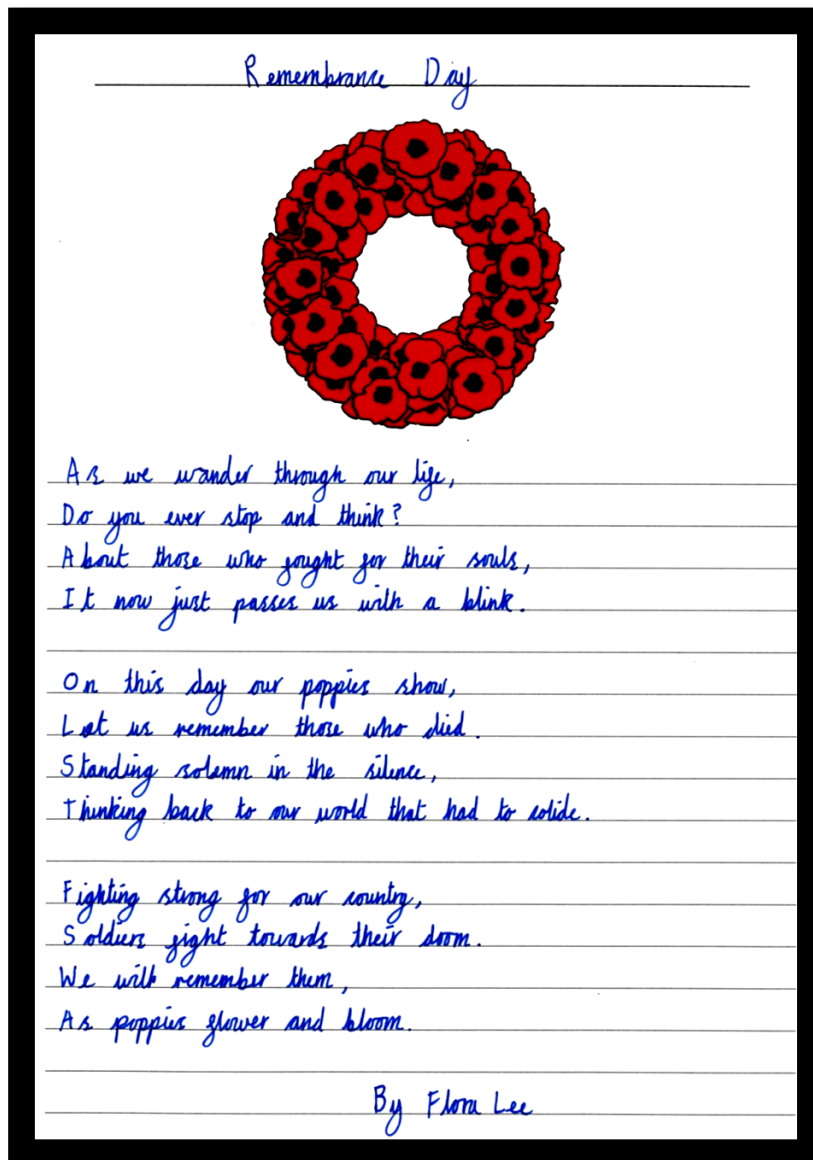
Sapphire Class



Ruby Class all made their own poppies using cutting out and sticking techniques, then they were all combined to create this beautiful class wreath.



Diamond Class also wrote Remembrance poems.



On Monday morning, we observed two minutes of silence and held a Remembrance Service in the afternoon. After learning more about this special day, listening to poems and singing songs about peace and remembrance, the children paraded quietly outside to lay their poppies and reflect on those who have given so much to keep us safe in the past and those who continue to do so.



Tag Rugby: This week, a group from Diamond Class went out to Tag Rugby. They faced teams from three other local schools. They played 3 games of 20 minutes each. I was told by a couple of the players that, " we faced some really good teams. It was fun but quite hard. The coaches said that we showed good passing and good teamwork and our skills are developing well". So well done and keep up the hard work. We are proud of you!



Buddies: Ruby Class now have buddies from Diamond Class. This is to help them feel comfortable when they go outside in the playground and to have the older ones keep an eye out for them. It also helps with community cohesion and school values. This week the children met their buddies and initially the buddies joined them in their outside area. Later on in the week the Ruby children started to join the rest of the school on the playground, with their buddies there to help. A big thank you to the Diamond Class children for helping in this way.



Have a lovely weekend,

Jeremy Fisher

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Sapphire
Scarlett

Emerald
Luna
Vogue
Arthur

Diamond
Elise

STARS OF THE WEEK

Ruby

- ❖ Ava-Rose for fantastic learning in class.

Sapphire

- ❖ Sam for super effort in addition and subtraction in maths.
- ❖ Devon for working hard on her writing and focusing on her presentation.

Emerald

- ❖ Jessica for great effort in writing.
- ❖ Donnie for being ready to learn and trying hard.

Diamond

- ❖ Louis for being such a kind buddy.
- ❖ Alden for fantastic contributions to Mini Police lessons.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Whole School
Attendance – 95.72%**

Whole School Target Set – 96%

Please contact school every 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

- ❖ **Yoga and Mindfulness Afterschool Club** starts on **Wednesday 8th January 2025**. The club is open to children in **Years 1-6**. To book, please email hannah.rainbowrelaxation@gmail.com Please see the flyer below for more information.
- ❖ **Nasal Flu-Vaccinations** will be taking place on **Thursday 21st November**. To provide consent or opt out, please complete the form using the link: [Vaccination UK East Anglia Immunisation](#) The deadline to complete the form is **Tuesday 19th November**.
- ❖ **Reception Vision & Hearing Screening, Heights & Weights Measurements** is on **Friday 22nd November** with the school nurse.
- ❖ **Year 6 Height & Weight Screening** is on **Friday 22nd November** with the school nurse.
- ❖ **Donations of Christmas Crackers** – we are kindly asking again for donations of Christmas Crackers for the children’s Christmas lunch on **Wednesday 18th December**. Please drop all donations at the school office. Many thanks.
- ❖ **Alden in Year 6** is raising money for Great Ormond Street Hospital. He has been under the wonderful care of GOSH since being diagnosed with a tumour 4 years ago. To support this worthy cause, donations can be made by clicking on the link: [Elspeth Booth is fundraising for Great Ormond Street Hospital Children's Charity](#) For more information, please see the flyer below.

MENU w/c 18th November 2024

Day	Menu
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Pork Sausages with Gravy (Red) ❖ Cheese Pinwheel (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Quorn Burger in a Bun (V) (Red) ❖ Italian Pasta Bake (Ve) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Roast Chicken (Red) ❖ Creamy Quorn Pie (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Beef Bolognese (Red) ❖ Breaded Bean & Vegetable Grill (Ve) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Fish Fillet Fingers (Red) ❖ Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)



**SCHOOL
DINNERS**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
21/11/24	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
22/11/24	Year 6 Height & Weight Screening
29/11/24	Occasional Day – School Closed
02/12/24	Christmas Decoration Day
10/12/24	Nativity
11/12/24	Nativity
11/12/24	Emerald Class Last Swimming Lesson
12/12/24	Panto
13/12/24	PTA Non-Uniform Day
18/12/24	Christmas Lunch
19/12/24	Christmas Service
20/12/24	Last Day of Term
23/12/24 – 03/01/24	Christmas Break
06/01/25	Inset 3
07/01/25	Inset 4
08/01/25	First Day Back
15/01/24	Nursery Deadline to apply for a Reception Place
17/02/25 – 21/02/25	Half Term
24/02/25	First Day Back
04/04/25	Last Day of Term
07/04/25 – 21/04/25	Easter Break
22/04/25	First Day Back
05/05/25	Early May Bank Holiday
26/05/25 – 30/05/25	Half Term



BREAKFAST CLUB

8am - 8.40am everyday
cooked breakfast
served at 8am



£4.50 per session payable via arbor

NB late arrivals will not be catered for cooked breakfast

Please book 24 hours ahead to ensure availability

Promoting a healthy and active lifestyle

AFTER SCHOOL Sports Clubs

Spellbrook C of E Primary School

3:20-4:20pm

Football



Tuesdays

Dodgeball



Thursdays

Footballers must bring trainers or astro turf trainers, shin pads, long socks, PE kit or sports wear, and goalie gloves if wanting to play in goal.

Please ensure children are collected on time at 4:20pm, or a late collection fee may be charged as per terms of our service.

£42 for 7 weeks

Starting week commencing 9th September

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www.gjwsports.co.uk

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Registered

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Club Fee
£7.75 a week

THE SECRET ART CLUB

With Artist Caroline Clark

Activities:

- Painting
- Printing
- Drawing
- Pottery
- Collage
- And more!

Date:

Weekly, starting on Friday 8th
November 2024, 3.20 - 4.30 pm

TO BOOK

www.carolineclarkartist.com or
Caroline Clark (Caz) on
07847269734

Address

Spellbrook C of E
Primary School,
Spellbrook

For school
years 1-6



Spellbrook Primary School

StageSteps Dance and Acting Class

Taught by an industry professional, this innovative class will seamlessly blend the worlds of dance and acting to provide a unique and engaging experience. Our students explore diverse dance styles, from Street to Musical, while also delving into the art of acting through script reading, character development, and stage dynamics. The fusion class not only nurtures creativity but also builds confidence in expression, whether through movement or theatrical performance. Stretch and refine dance techniques, understand the skills of stage acting and combine the two to participate in exciting term projects showcased to friends and family.

Each child will be taught based on their own ability and growth, it doesn't matter how experienced/inexperienced they are, they will achieve in their own personal way, and they will have the most fun doing it!

When?

Every Monday after school

3:20pm-4:20pm

Term time only

Starting 9th September 2024

How do I sign up?

Please visit the website: www.stagesteps.co.uk and click the 'Sign Up' button to complete

He [SIGN UP | StageSteps](#)

Year 2-6 welcome

Payment details:

StageSteps Dance and Acting Class is only £78 per term.

You will receive an invoice for the term shortly after you submit your sign up form.

I can't wait to meet your superstars! ✨



Well Bean Gardening

Learning through growing
Growing through learning

We still have places
in our Wednesday after-school
Gardening Club
November 6 - November 27



- Spellbrook's Gardening Club meets on Wednesdays and is open to Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. Limited spaces available
- £25.00 for the remaining four sessions of 2024 Nov 6 - Nov 27
- All equipment supplied but pupils must bring appropriate clothing as we will be outside in all weathers
- This half-term we'll be:
 - Working to improve the school gardens
 - Taking part in the RHS Campaign for School Gardening Award Scheme - LEVEL 5

If you would like your child to attend, please return the slip below to the school office before Wednesday Nov 6 and make a payment of £25 in cash/a cheque made payable to: WENDY GORDON or with a BACS payment to: Wendy Gordon/27441520/07-04-36 (Use your name as reference)

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

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.

Well Bean Gardening has a Facebook & Instagram page (please check 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 on social media please tick the box: (Please note that children are never named)

Email: wellbeangardening@gmail.com
Mobile: 07817 528652

facebook.com/wellbeangardening
Instagram: @wellbeangardening



Yoga, mindfulness and happy vibes!

@rainbowrelaxation

Hannah.rainbowrelaxation@gmail.com

Spellbrook after school yoga and mindfulness club

Starting- 8th January 2025

When- 3.20-4.20 pm, every Wednesday

How much- £42 for 6 week half term

What we do- - group games

- yoga

- mindful crafts

- breathwork/simple meditation

Most of all, we have a lot of fun!

Who can join- limited spaces available
from year 1 - year 6

How to book- email me at
Hannah.rainbowrelaxation@gmail.com

How can you help children with their body confidence?

We get asked that question a lot during our free healthy lifestyle programme, Beezee Families. And because we work with so many families like yours, we understand the challenges of body positivity.

So, as a parent or carer, what can you do to help?

- **Become a role model** – look in the mirror with your child and say three positive things about your bodies.
- **Health matters** – promote nutrition, exercise and good sleep.
- **Celebrate diversity** – teach your children about different body types, abilities and cultures.
- **Personal qualities** – value kindness, intelligence and creativity.

- **Express themselves** – encourage your children to use art, music, sport or play for self-expression.
- **Misleading media** – help your children see beyond unrealistic images of body and beauty.

Want more free health and wellbeing tips?

Check out our website to find out more.



Scan the code

...or click here
to find out more

Sign up today!



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Beezee
FAMILIES





GREAT ORMOND STREET HOSPITAL CHARITY

Alden is raising money for GOSH!

Alden has been under the wonderful care of Great Ormond Street Hospital since being diagnosed with a tumour 4 years ago. His treatment has gone really well so far and he wondered what he could do to give a little something back. He decided to grow his hair so that the Little Princess Trust can make it into a wig for another child undergoing a similar treatment to him. He also wanted to raise some funds for GOSH to say thank you for the amazing help and support they have given to him and our family over the years. To sponsor him, please scan the QR code below or visit <https://www.justgiving.com/page/elspeth-booth-1730496867307>

Thank you!

SCAN HERE TO DONATE



Sunday 24 November 3pm
Natalie Bleicher
Piano Recital



a programme of contemporary music including a selection from *The Zoo in the Sky* by Karen Tanaka

St Michael's Church, Bishop's Stortford

FREE admission with retiring collection
Tea and cake served afterwards

www.saintmichaelweb.org.uk



Essex Fire Museum November

Free entry, but booking is essential as we are on an active fire station site.
Contact us to book: museum@essex-fire.gov.uk or 01376 576847.

Open Day

10.30am to 4.00pm
(Last entry: 2.30pm)

Date: 24th Of November



Essex Fire Museum Christmas Open Day (With our Santa's Grotto)

Free entry, but booking is essential as we are on an active fire station site.
Contact us to book: museum@essex-fire.gov.uk or 01376 576847.

10.30am to 4.00pm
(Last entry: 2.30pm)

Date: 15th Of December

