



NEWSLETTER - 22nd November 2024

VALUE: Compassion

Focus: Being a Good Neighbour

'Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.'

Colossians 3.12

FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Children in Need

Last week, alongside a great number of children and adults across the country, we raised funds for Children in Need. Our School Council got together beforehand and as well as a non-uniform day, they wanted to add some novelty



and fun.

They came up with the idea to have music and dance breaks during the day and took time to prepare a playlist of songs the whole school would enjoy and dance along to.



Over lunchtime, a great deal of fun was had, enjoying the music and dancing with friends. What a great idea and thank you to the School Council for their great ideas and hard work. We raised a total of £131 which is great. Thanks to all the parents for the donations.



Ruby Class: On a cold Thursday morning, what could be more fun than sitting in the woods with your friends watching the flames of a bonfire, singing ten fat sausages, having a chance to hold and make shapes with your own sparkler and then eating toasted marshmallows? As a four- or five-year-old, probably not a lot. When one of the children said this is the best day ever, I think they really meant it. They had a super time, and their excellent behaviour made it easy for the adults to ensure it was calm, safe and thoroughly enjoyable. This has become a Ruby Class annual tradition and thanks to the help of our site manager, is one I hope continues long into the future, giving the children a great experience and some lovely memories.



Emerald Class Weather Reports: As part of their geography topic on Climate and Weather, Emerald Class have been finding out about the key features of a weather report. They have learned about the use of maps, symbols, references to temperature and specific vocabulary such as precipitation. After preparing their own in groups, the children presented weather reports to the rest of the class.



Christmas Lamps for the Great St Mary's Festival of Light: We have had quite a few lamps in already. Please could the rest be sent in by Monday 25th. It would be lovely to have one from every child in the school.

Monday is the Online Safety Event for Parents: Please do join us as I am confident it will be very useful for all parents. I am certainly looking forward to it. **Monday 25th November 8-9.30 pm**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81595327586>

Have a lovely weekend,
 Jeremy Fisher

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Ruby
Jacob

Diamond
Sabiha



STARS OF THE WEEK

Ruby

- ❖ Arthur for fantastic joining in with activities.
- ❖ Noah for fantastic effort in his work and play.

Sapphire

- ❖ Tillie for working hard and becoming more confident.
- ❖ Samuel for trying hard on his independent writing and for being very creative.

Emerald

- ❖ Johnny for trying really hard in lessons.
- ❖ Arlo for constantly being ready to learn and for trying his best.

Diamond

- ❖ Harry F for his brilliant work in spelling lessons.
- ❖ Lexie for her fantastic behaviour in learning.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Whole School
Attendance – 93.32%**

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

- ❖ **Parent E-Safety Training** takes place on **Monday 25th November from 8.00 – 9.30 pm via Zoom**. Please see the link to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81595327586>
- ❖ **Diamond Class 'Colour a Car' Event** is on **Wednesday 27th November**.
- ❖ **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 25th November 2024

Day	Menu
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Breaded Chicken Grill (Red) ❖ Margherita Wrap (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Chicken Pie (V) (Red) ❖ Veggie Sausage Bow Pasta (Ve) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Roast Beef (Red) ❖ Shepherdess Pie (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Quorn Hot Dog (V) (Red) ❖ Egg Breakfast Muffin (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Battered Fish Fillet (Red) ❖ Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)



**SCHOOL
DINNERS**

❖ **Occasional Day – Friday 29th November** – this is a reminder that school is **closed**. School resumes at the usual time on Monday 2nd December.

❖ **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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
27/11/24	Diamond Colour a Car Event
29/11/24	Occasional Day – School Closed
02/12/24	Christmas Decoration Day
02/12/24	PTA Annual General Meeting
09/12/24	Carol Service @ St Michael's - Diamond
09/12/24 – 11/12/24	PTA Christmas Gift Shop
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
18/12/24	Christmas Jumper Day
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

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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£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

[SIGN UP | StageSteps](#)

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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



Rainbow Relaxation

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



Harlow Foodbank would like to thank

SPELLBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

For your gift of 40 Kg of food
to help your neighbours in Harlow.

This is enough to make 95 meals
for families who need our help!*

Harlow Foodbank redistributes gifts of food and other essential items donated by neighbours across Harlow, passing them on to others in our community who have a short term crisis.

You have been part of that neighbourly support. We are Harlow UNITED!

www.mrct.org.uk/foodbank

Find us on..



Harlow Foodbank is a project of the Michael Roberts Charitable Trust - Charity Number 1065006
Unit 8, Housham Hall Farm, Harlow Road, Matching Tye, Harlow CM17 0PB 01279 724515
* The Feeding Britain APPG Report 2016 estimated that on average 2.38 meals come from a Kg of food.
Harlow Foodbank is an associate of the Trussell Trust



CHRISTMAS LUNCH DEC 18th

MAIN MENU

Christmas Turkey & Chipolata Sausage
with Sage & Onion Stuffing
& Gravy

or

Quorn Fillet (v)
& Veggie Sausage (Ve)
with Sage & Onion Stuffing
& Gravy

SERVED WITH

Roast Potatoes
with a Choice of Seasonal Vegetables

DESSERT

Choice of Christmas Dessert



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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



E-safety event



Workshops for KS2 during the day - followed by parent event

Monday 25th November 8-9.30 pm



Join us online <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81595327586>

Nationally respected

Serious stuff with a sense of humour

For parents with children of all ages



We've done this twice now - learned new things both times and definitely worth keeping doing it! Our kids are young and we'll be back a number of times as they grow up!



Thank You
Thank you for an eye opening session on what our children are facing without even leaving their rooms. It was in no way judgemental of the parents who are struggling everyday to navigate this world



Discover Bucks Museum
& Roald Dahl Children's Gallery

Discover Bucks Museum
Church Street
Aylesbury HP20 2QP
discoverbucksmuseum.org
01296 331441

Christmas Family Fun!

From 24 November - 21 December

Join us for Magical Christmas Tales with Santa, A Christmas Carol, Creative Crafts, Cake decorating and Fun Science Adventures!

For more event details, charges and to book please scan the QR code or visit discoverbucksmuseum.org



Visit Santa's Hollow



Exciting news!
Have you heard?

As a special surprise for Children with Additional Needs, Santa, is setting up a temporary home in Harlow, for families to visit.

Santa is making this event really relaxed, as he knows that Christmas can be an overwhelming time.

This year, Santa has some interesting company - a whole cast of Christmas characters, both naughty and nice! Keep an eye out for any mischief-makers who might be plotting to stop Christmas from happening and make sure to report them to Santa's Friends, who truly love the holiday. Let's work together to keep the Christmas spirit alive and well!

[Visit Santa's Hollow Dec 1st Tickets, Harlow | Eventbrite](#)

[Visit Santa's Hollow Dec 8th Tickets, Harlow | Eventbrite](#)

[Visit Santa's Hollow Dec 15th Tickets, Harlow | Eventbrite](#)