



NEWSLETTER - 23rd May 2025

VALUE: Friendship
Focus: Making time for each other
Thessalonians 5.11



FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Diamond Class have had a week of excitement and adventure. On Tuesday and Wednesday they went to Edge Outdoors in Ware and enjoyed a whole range of adventurous activities that challenged them in so many ways. The ropes course and zip lines, including the very high-level route, tested their bravery and ability to cope with heights. Skills, accuracy and focus were the key for the archery and air rifle shooting. The Ninja Warrior style obstacle course challenged their fitness and physical resilience and also brought out in some a desire to improve and beat their own time, and the mountain boarding gave them an experience of speed and perhaps a little bit of fear. The final activity, Zorb Strike, where the children strap themselves inside a giant ball and then roll all over the place and crash into each other, was just a great deal of fun. What a fantastic start to the week.



On Thursday, as well as a local walk, the children enjoyed an evening barbeque and a night's camping. The children helped put up their own tents and did a pretty good job. They then had an evening of games and a hot chocolate together before getting ready for bed. They then slept. Perhaps and maybe for only a short time before the tent mates, overhead planes or just excitement woke them up. For some it was a new experience, and they showed resilience in coping with being away from family. Others showed how confident they are and how different sides of their personalities come through when with their peers and being involved in this type of activity. The children all certainly enjoyed the experience, and the limited sleep should mean they are ready for a quiet and calm weekend. The adults certainly are.



Gardening Club. The gardening club are working towards the Level 5 RHS award, and it was really great to see parents and even a volunteer from a local company helping to clear the beds at the back of the new sensory garden on Thursday. The team effort was very successful, and the work completed in a much shorter time than expected. Thank you to the PTA for providing much needed refreshments.



Walk and Wheel to School: Thank you to all the families that have supported the Walk and Wheel Week by walking, cycling and parking up and joining the walking group from the pub car park. Mrs Hasty, who leads our efforts in promoting sustainable travel has been delighted with the response across the school.



Have a great weekend and half term.
Mr J Fisher

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK AND OVER THE HALF TERM



Ruby
Petru

Sapphire
Thea
George
Gracie

Emerald
Shakti

Diamond
Hudson



STARS OF THE WEEK

Ruby

- ❖ Ava B for fantastic questions and curiosity.
- ❖ Noah for brilliant concentration and participation on the carpet.

Sapphire

- ❖ Maddison for working really hard all week on her handwriting and engaging in all learning.
- ❖ Milana for trying really hard with writing and putting in more effort.

Emerald

- ❖ Connor for beautiful presentation and working hard.
- ❖ Arthur for great effort in writing challenges.
- ❖ Harvey for great effort in writing challenges.

Diamond

- ❖ To Diamond Class for great attitude, behaviour, bravery and resilience during the Diamond Class Adventure Week 2025.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Whole School
Attendance – 94.15%**

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 on time.



NOTICES

- ❖ **Inset** – a reminder that **Monday 2nd June** is an inset day and school will be closed to children. School resumes at the usual time on **Tuesday 3rd June**.
- ❖ **Sports Day** is on **Thursday 12th June**, please save the date.
- ❖ **PTA Summer Fair** is on **Saturday 14th June** from **12 – 3 pm**. To pre-order wristbands, please follow the link: [Summer Fair Wristband | Spellbrook P T A](#)
The PTA also need volunteers on the day. If you're able to help set up in the morning, run a stall or help tidy up, please complete this short form via the link [Summer Fair Volunteers 2025](#). Donations of alcohol, chocolate, unwanted gifts, books (in good condition) and gazebos (in useable condition) are welcome. Please drop all donations in the collection box at the office by **Friday 6th June**.
- ❖ **Clean Air Day** is on **Thursday 19th June**. More information to follow.

MENU w/c 3rd June 2025

Day	Menu
Monday	❖ Inset (No school)
Tuesday	❖ Beef Bolognese (Red) ❖ Mild Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry (Ve) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Wednesday	❖ Roast Pork (Red) ❖ Creamy Quorn & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Thursday	❖ Quorn Hot Dog (V) (Red) ❖ Roasted Veg Lasagne (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)
Friday	❖ Fish Fillet Fingers (Red) ❖ Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
02/06/25	Inset 5
03/06/25	First Day Back
06/06/25	PTA Non-Uniform Day
12/06/25	Sports Day
14/06/25	PTA Summer Fair
19/06/25	Clean Air Day
20/06/25	Reception Trip to Audley End
24/06/25	Class Photos
03/07/25	Diamond Class Production
08/07/25	Parent Consultations
09/07/25	Bouncy Day
10/07/25	Transition Day
16/07/25	Diamond Class Swimming last lesson
22/07/25	Leavers Service
23/07/25	Last Day of Term
03/09/25	Inset 1
04/09/25	First Day Back



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.

£36 for 5 weeks (VAT included)

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For Years 1-6

Every Monday
3:20-4:20pm

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and head to our Sign Up page to join today!

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May Yoga and Mindfulness Holiday Club

Rainbow Relaxation

Yoga, mindfulness and happy vibes!

Wednesday 28th May
10.00-14.00

The Emmaus Centre,
Church Lane,
Thorley,
Bishop's Stortford,
CM23 4BE

4 hours of group games, yoga, breathwork, meditation and mindful crafts, with private garden for outdoor fun! Suitable for age 5-11

£28 per child

[@rainbowrelaxation](#)
hannah.rainbowrelaxation@gmail.com






Well Bean Gardening

Learning through growing
Growing through learning

Join our Wednesday After-School Gardening Club as we grow together



- Spellbrook's Gardening Club meets on Wednesdays and is open to Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. Limited spaces available
- £37.50 for six sessions June 4 - July 9
- 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 June 4 and make a payment of £37.50 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](https://www.facebook.com/wellbeangardening)
Instagram: @wellbeangardening



CHESS CLUB

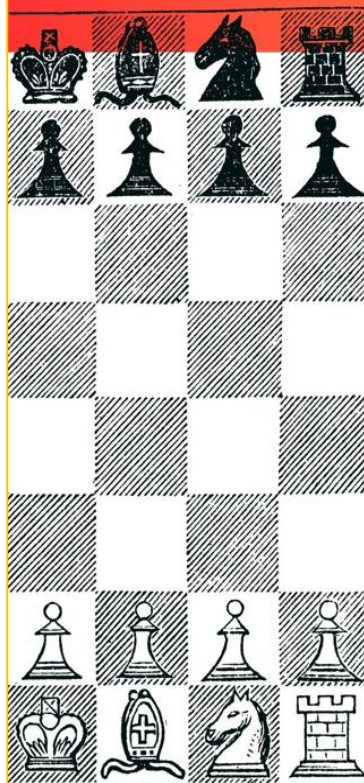
KS2 (YEARS 3-6)

THURSDAY'S

3.20PM-4.20PM

IN THE LIBRARY

£3.50 PER WEEK



PLEASE BOOK YOUR SESSIONS IN ARBOR

THE SECRET ART HALF TERM CAMPS

£30

Early bird booking price

With Artist Caroline Clark

Activities such as:

- Painting
- 3D work
- Working on wood
- Collage
- And more!

Date:

Wednesday 28th May 9-1pm
Thursday 29th May 9-1pm

Book at:

www.carolineclarkartist.com
Any queries, contact Caroline Clark (Caz) 07847269734

Address

The Secret Art House
Behind Sheering Village Hall
The Street
Sheering
CM22 7LX



Ages 5-11 years

SPELLBROOK PTA SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 14th June
12 to 3pm at
Spellbrook Primary school

[Summer Fair Wristband | Spellbrook P T A](#)

[Summer Fair Volunteers 2025](#)

Invite and Inspire
Saturday 7 June
9.00 - 12.00

BISHOP'S
STORTFORD
COLLEGE
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Book Here:



<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EVNJ>

Free workshops

[Invite and Inspire at Bishop's Stortford College](#)
[Tickets, Bishop's Stortford College, School House,](#)
[Bishop's Stortford | TryBooking United Kingdom](#)

THE SECRET ART PRESENTS
**HALF TERM
ARTY SESSIONS**
AT NEW GROUND CAFE

£14
Early bird booking price

With Artist **Caroline Clark**

Date:

Wednesday 28th May 2.30 - 3.30pm - Jellyfish lights
Thursday 29th May 2.30 - 3.30pm Bag Painting with
Stencils

Book using QR code or at:

www.carolineclarkartist.com
Any queries, contact Caroline
Clark (Caz) 07847269734

Address

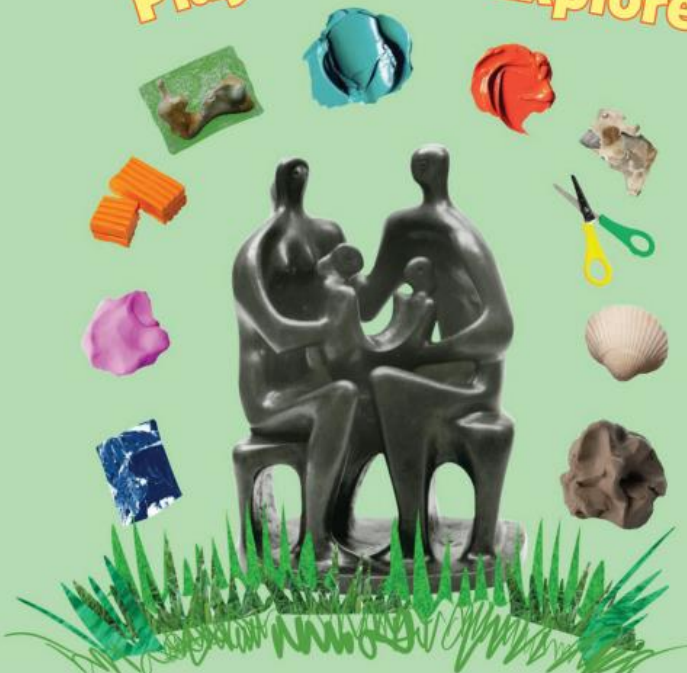
New Ground Cafe
4-5 New Pond Street
Newhall, Harlow CM17
9FG



Ages 5-11
years

HENRY MOORE
STUDIOS & GARDENS

Play Sculpt Explore



Family Fun at Henry Moore Studios & Gardens

Play, Sculpt, Explore!

Discover creative activities this Half Term, all inspired by the sculptor Henry Moore. Explore, create, and let your imagination run wild in Moore's unique landscape.

Garden & Gather: Nature Colour Hunt

Friday 23 May & Friday 30 May
12:00 - 13:30

Head out into Henry Moore's sculpture gardens to hunt for colour in nature in this interactive session for age 5+

Saturday Soft Sculpt

Saturday 24 May & Saturday 31 May,
11:00-12:30 & 13:30-15:00

Play with shape and scale using soft materials in these playful sculpting sessions for younger children. Open to all ages.

Sunday Sculpt: Flint Families

Sunday 25 May
11:00-12:30 & 13:30-15:00

Take a closer look at the flint inspired sculptures made by Henry Moore. Use plasticine and flint to create your own maquettes, just as Moore did. Recommended for age 5+

Family Encounters:

Dress Up Like a Sculpture
Sunday 25 May & Friday 30 May
11:00-12:30 & 13:30-15:00

Use costumes and recycled materials to transform yourself into a sculpture then take yourself for a walk around the grounds to see where you would be best placed. Open to all ages.



All activities are included in an annual ticket, which allows you to return as often as you like during our open season. You can drop-in to each session, no need to book in advance. Visit our website to find out about accessibility, how to find us and more family fun this season. henry-moore.org

HENRY MOORE
STUDIOS & GARDENS
Perry Green, Herts, SG10 6EE

Open Wednesday to Sunday
& Bank Holidays, 11am - 5pm
16 April - 2 November 2025



May Half Term

24th May - 1st June



At intervals on
24th &
25th May

MEET
PADDINGTON
AT INTERVALS ON
31ST MAY &
1ST JUNE



BOOK NOW

Audley End Miniature Railway

May Half Term

Sat. 24th May

Sun. 25th May

Mon. 26th May

Tue. 27th May

Wed. 28th May

Thu. 29th May

Fri. 30th May

Sat. 31st May

Sun. 1st June

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May Half Term Days

- Dragon Disco
- Storytelling
(alternating each hour)

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Included throughout the Event

- Train ride to spot fairy tales and nursery rhymes
- Make your own crown fit for a King or Queen
- Create magic by decorating your own fairy wand
- Explore our Fairy & Elf Walk
- Let off steam at our adventure playground
- Refuel at our Woodland cafe

Discover Bucks Museum
& Roald Dahl Children's Gallery

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

May Half Term fun

24 May - 1 June 2025

Discover the Wonders of Space with hands-on fun activities for the whole family including space science, space puppets and space sculpture plus lots more!

Discover more at discoverbucksmuseum.org or scan the QR code



SCAN ME



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or simply come and watch - it's up to you!

FAMILY-FRIENDLY 2K EVENTS
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FOR 4-14 YEAR OLDS
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EVERYONE WELCOME
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HAVE FUN BEING ACTIVE
Share high fives and big smiles!

MAKE FRIENDS
Meet lots of new people

LEARN NEW SKILLS
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FEEL HAPPY AND PROUD
Try your best and celebrate your achievements

"We all do it together as a family. The volunteers are really nice, it's fun and you can walk if you want to!"



Register at parkrun.com and head down to your local junior parkrun event!

Harlow junior parkrun

Where: The Showground Field, Harlow Town Park, near Pets' Corner

When: Every Sunday at 9am (arrive at 8:45am)

space

COME AND JOIN US IN...

