



## NEWSLETTER - 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025

VALUE: Respect  
Focus: Pentecost



### FROM THE HEADTEACHER

**Sports Day:** It was a super afternoon, and it was great to see so many of you at Sports Day. It takes a lot of organising by the staff but the format we have developed allows parents to see all of the children taking part and has something for everyone. It provides opportunities for every child to take part in a whole range of activities, thus celebrating all of the skills they are developing, at whatever age or stage they currently are. It is wonderful to see children of all abilities taking part. This inclusive aspect is something I am very pleased to see as it is a part of our School Vision. It is also great to see that the time taken to group the children for the races, balances out the inclusion of all with the opportunity for the more competitive children to test themselves against their peers. Well done to all of the children for the way they joined in and for the effort they made and to the staff for the organisation and hard work. It was a lovely school community event.



**Art Sale and Competition:** Thank you for supporting your child and the school with the art sale. I hope the artwork will find a place at home for you to enjoy, or for it to be a gift to a special person. The money raised will go towards our sponsorship of children at Shiksha Rath in Delhi. Copies of some of these have been made for our art display and some have also been sent off to the CPRE, Countryside Charity 2025 Art Competition.



**Year 6 and Chris Lubbe:** Last week, Year 6 had an online talk and questions session with Chris Lubbe. Chris is a black South African who worked as a bodyguard for Nelson Mandela. Chris's story illustrates the impact of racism and how his own awareness of difference and prejudice developed as he grew up. He told the children about all his experiences including how his desire to read affected his own choices and had a positive impact on his life.

The children were shocked by some of the things that happened to Chris and his family and were able to understand how harmful and unfair the treatment of people who were non-white was in South Africa at that time. He then went on to tell of his time as Mr Mandela's bodyguard; the places he visited, the famous people he met and how Mr Mandela made the decision to forgive those who had caused harm and helped his country to put things right and make things more fair. The children had a number of their questions answered by Chris and showed maturity and understanding throughout.



**Congratulations:** Last weekend Amelie attended the finals of the International Destination Dance Competition at Warwick University in Coventry, where entries who won previous competition heats and qualified from all over the world gathered to dance it out for the final titles.

Amelie did exceptionally well for her first international competition, taking home 1<sup>st</sup> Place for her Modern Duet, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place for her Tap Solo and 4<sup>th</sup> for her Modern Solo. Well done to Amelie!



Just a reminder to all parents that if your child has an achievement, you would like us to share, please liaise with the class teacher and office.

**Morning drop-off:** Please could I remind all parents to keep their children with them until drop off and not let them play on the grounds in front of the office.

We open the gates and commence drop-off at 8:35 and until that point there are no staff on duty. Thank you for your support in keeping children safe.

Have a great weekend.

Mr J Fisher

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Diamond  
Sid  
Sergiusz



## STARS OF THE WEEK

### Ruby

- ❖ Isabella for being a good friend.
- ❖ Ava-Rose for trying really hard in all of her lessons.

### Sapphire

- ❖ Arthur for fantastic effort with his phonics.
- ❖ Emilia for working really hard in her writing, continually trying to deepen what she has written.

### Emerald

- ❖ To all of Emerald for fantastic sportsmanship and teamwork.

### Diamond

- ❖ Harry F for fantastic contributions to lessons.
- ❖ Billie for her great attitude and perseverance.

## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Whole School**  
**Attendance – 95.42%**

**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

- ❖ **Clean Air Day** is on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June**.
- ❖ **Ruby Trip to Audley End Railway** is on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**. **Reception children** will be travelling from school by minibus leaving at **9.00 am** and returning to school before the end of the school day. Pick-up will be as usual from school. **Reception children will need a packed lunch. Nursery children should meet at Audley End Railway accompanied by one parent/carer at 9.45 am.** All children should be in full school uniform with appropriate shoes (trainers acceptable).
- ❖ **Class Photos** – the school photographer will be in on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June** to take class photos. **Emerald & Diamond** children who have PE on the day should come to school in full uniform including school shoes.

## MENU w/c 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Day	Menu
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Bean &amp; Cheese Slice (V) (Red)</li> <li>❖ Macaroni Cheese (V) (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> <li>❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)</li> </ul>
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Chicken Pie with Gravy (Red)</li> <li>❖ Mild Mexican Bean Chilli (Ve) (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> <li>❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)</li> </ul>
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Roast Beef (Red)</li> <li>❖ Veggie Sausages with Gravy (Ve) (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> <li>❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)</li> </ul>
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Beef Burger in a Bun (Red)</li> <li>❖ Roasted Summer Veg Pasta (Ve) (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> <li>❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)</li> </ul>
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Salmon &amp; Sweet Potato Fishcake (Red)</li> <li>❖ Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza (V) (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato (Yellow)</li> <li>❖ Cheese Roll (Blue)</li> </ul>

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
19/06/25	Clean Air Day
20/06/25	Reception Trip to Audley End
23/06/25	Outdoor Learning Day
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)

Starting week commencing 13th January

Keep fit, make friends and have fun!

Book online at:  
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[www.gjwsports.co.uk](http://www.gjwsports.co.uk)

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## SPELLBROOK DANCE AND ACTING CLASS!

Join our exciting Fusion Class, where dance and acting come together! Explore a variety of dance styles while developing acting skills like script reading, character work, and stage presence.

Build confidence, creativity, and technique in both movement and performance. Each child progresses at their own pace—no experience needed! Enjoy fun activities with your family and friends.

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For Years 1-6

Every Monday  
3:20-4:20pm

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[WWW.STAGESTEPS.CO.UK](http://WWW.STAGESTEPS.CO.UK)  
and head to our Sign Up page to join today!

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## 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\*: .....

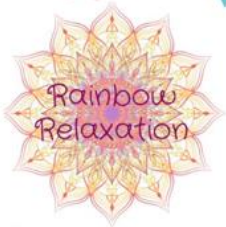
\*Your child's safety is a priority, but we can only put measures into place if you let us know.

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](mailto:wellbeangardening@gmail.com)  
Mobile: 07817 528652

facebook.com/wellbeangardening  
Instagram: @wellbeangardening



## Spellbrook after school yoga and mindfulness club

Yoga, mindfulness and happy vibes!

Wednesdays 3.20-4.30

Group games, yoga, breathwork, simple meditation, mindful crafts. Most of all, we have a lot of FUN!

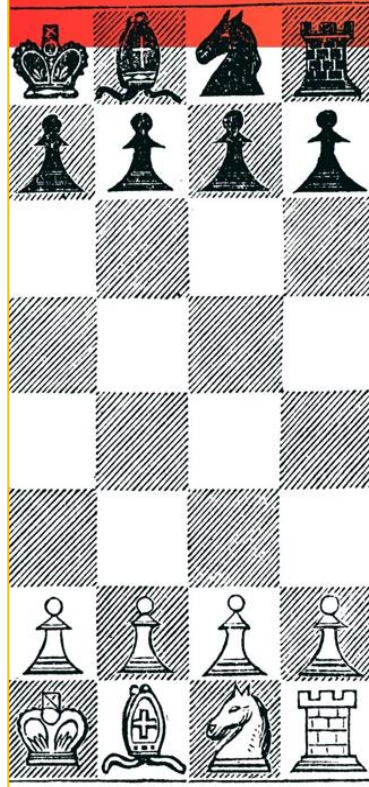
Year 1-6

To enquire about spaces or join the wait list, please email me at [hannah.rainbowrelaxation@gmail.com](mailto:hannah.rainbowrelaxation@gmail.com)

£7 per session, paid each half term

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## CHESS CLUB

KS2 (YEARS 3-6)

THURDAY'S

3.20PM-4.20PM

IN THE LIBRARY

£3.50 PER WEEK

PLEASE BOOK YOUR SESSIONS IN ARBOR



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 25th April 2025, 3.20 - 4.30 pm

### TO BOOK

[www.carolineclarkartist.com](http://www.carolineclarkartist.com) or Caroline Clark (Caz) on 07847269734

### Address

Spellbrook C of E Primary School, Spellbrook

For school years 1-6



## FUN FOCUSED FOOTBALL

# FOOTBALL OPEN DAY

Roydon Football Club are starting an U9's (Year 4) football team next season and will be holding an open day for potential new players.

### INFORMATION

- ✓ Open Day will be on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July @ 10am.**
- ✓ Open to all Player Abilities (Boys & Girls)
- ✓ All Fixtures and Open Day at Roydon Playing Fields: CM19 5HL

GET IN TOUCH TODAY if interested to attend or for further information.



Email: [roydonfc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:roydonfc@hotmail.co.uk)  
07767075919



# CARERS WEEK - YOUNG CARERS

## Caring about Equality



- Could someone in your family be a young carer?
- A young carer cares for a **family member** who, due to illness, disability, a mental health condition or an addiction, **cannot cope without their support**.
- We are proud of our young carers and the care they provide. However, a young carer **may miss out** on extra support offered and opportunities in their education, careers and personal lives due to their caring role.
- You can get them further support by contacting the Young Carers Service at Carers in Hertfordshire.

THINK

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SUPPORT



email: [young.carers@carersinherts.org.uk](mailto:young.carers@carersinherts.org.uk)



Visit: [www.carersinherts.org.uk/young-carers](http://www.carersinherts.org.uk/young-carers)



## SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS

Join us for 5 hours of Fab Science fun in the holidays! 10am to 3pm each day and we welcome children aged 5-11 years. FE37 per day (£43 for Mighty Medics), sibling discount available. Please bring a packed lunch and water bottle.



### SCIENCE DETECTIVES

Find out how forensic scientists analyse hand-writing, footprints, clothing fibres, DNA and fingerprints. Use your skills to solve the case of the missing diamond.



### MIGHTY MEDICS

An exciting collaboration with Keepabeat first aid. Learn how to deal with a real medical emergency and explore the science of x-rays, dentistry, bones and microbes!



### SUPER SPACE

Rockets, planets, eclipses, astronaut training, craters, the moon...it's a great space adventure! Make your own rocket to launch and then take home (unless it lands in a tree!)



### AWESOME ENGINEERING

Lots of engineering challenges and fun before working as a team to build a 4 metre high giant pyramid! Make catapults, a ping pong cannon, towers, bridges and more.

CAMBRIDGE  
QUEEN EDITH SCHOOL  
28th July  
29th July  
30th July  
31st July

SAFFRON WALDEN  
RA BUTLER SCHOOL  
4th August  
5th August  
6th August  
7th August

HERTFORD  
ST JOSEPH'S IN THE PARK  
11th August  
12th August  
13th August  
14th August

BISHOP'S STORTFORD  
THORN GROVE SCHOOL  
18th August  
19th August  
20th August  
21st August

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[INFO@CLUBEXCEL.CO.UK](mailto:INFO@CLUBEXCEL.CO.UK)

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## ARIANA GRANDE DANCE WORKSHOP

### SAWBRIDGEWORTH PARISH HALL 12noon-2pm

Come and join Lucy for a fun and exciting 2hour dance workshop to the songs by the incredible Ariana Grande!

Email, text or WhatsApp to book your child in!  
Ages 9 - 13 welcome!

LGADMAN@OUTLOOK.COM  
07517354749

£12 per child



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## LION KING DANCE WORKSHOP

### SAWBRIDGEWORTH PARISH HALL 10am-12noon

Come and join Lucy for a fun and exciting 2hour dance workshop to the songs from the well loved movie The Lion King!  
Email, text or WhatsApp to book your child in now!  
Ages 4 - 8 welcome!

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07517354749

£12 per child



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## THE GARDENS OF EASTON LODGE



# NATURE DAY

- Up close with birds of prey
- Pond dipping & bug hunting
- Honey bees & other bee ID
- Bats in Essex



## Open Day: Sunday 15 June



11.00am - 5pm (last entry 4pm)

Adults £7.00 (£6.00 if bought in advance)

Children under 16 free

Or see website for details

www.eastonlodge.co.uk

## Essex Fire Museum Open Day



Sunday 29th  
June  
2025

10:30AM  
To  
4:00PM

Fire Station, Hogg Lane, Grays  
RM17 5QS

Book Now

