

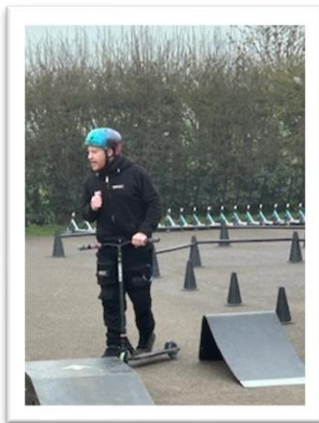


NEWSLETTER – 13th March 2026

VALUE: Justice
'Learn to do right. Seek justice'. Isaiah 1:17

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

BMX Scooter Day – A Day of Inspiration for the Whole School

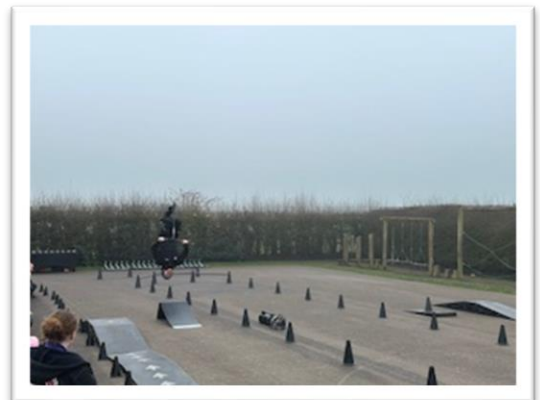


The BMX Scooter Day on Monday 9th proved to be an unforgettable experience for the whole school. The day began with an energising assembly led by **Terry**, the world's first professional scooter rider and a former World Champion.

He shared his powerful personal story of resilience, self-belief and perseverance — from choosing a unique sport, to overcoming criticism, and even experiencing a period of homelessness with his family. Pupils were captivated throughout, especially when he concluded with an impressive **backflip**. The remainder of the day consisted of hands-on scooter workshops. Across four energetic sessions, around 60 children took part and experienced:

- Scooter basics and balance
- Beginner ground tricks
- Scooter limbo
- Riding wedge ramps
- A fun *Super Mario Kart*-style game to end the session

It was a day full of excitement, inspiration and confidence-building for all involved.



Sapphire Class – How Do Bees Help Flowers?

As part of the Science Week theme of *Curiosity*, Sapphire Class investigated the question: “**How do bees help flowers?**” The class began by watching a video of bees collecting pollen, which immediately sparked their curiosity. This led to thoughtful questions such as:

- “How do bees collect pollen?”
- “How does the pollen stick?”
- “What do they use to make honey?”
- “Why do they make a buzzing sound?”

To extend their understanding, the children watched another video explaining **pollination**. They then created bees and flowers of their own, using glitter to represent pollen. Their bees “flew” from flower to flower, transferring the glitter as they went. Afterwards, the class examined the flowers to see where the “pollen” had spread — a brilliant, hands-on demonstration of how bees help plants grow and reproduce. Sapphire Class were fully engaged, curious and enthusiastic throughout.

Emerald Class – Teamwork and Communication in Science



Emerald Class focused on the importance of **teamwork and communication** during Science Week.

The class took part in a collaborative drawing challenge in which each child held a peg attached to a single pen, working together to recreate a picture of a wolf. They attempted the activity twice:

- **Round 1:** No talking allowed
- **Round 2:** Talking allowed

After comparing the drawings, the children discussed which round felt easier. Most agreed that talking improved teamwork by allowing them to communicate what was needed. However, one child noted that the quieter round felt easier because *“no one could tell them what to do.”* This activity highlighted how effective communication is key to successful teamwork, especially in science.



Diamond Class Welcome Local MP Josh Dean



Diamond Class were delighted to welcome local MP **Josh Dean** for a special visit. Several children read aloud their persuasive speeches about road safety in Spellbrook, which he listened to with great interest.

Josh spoke to the pupils about the role of a Member of Parliament and answered many thoughtful questions.

His visit provided a valuable opportunity for the children to learn more about democracy and active citizenship.

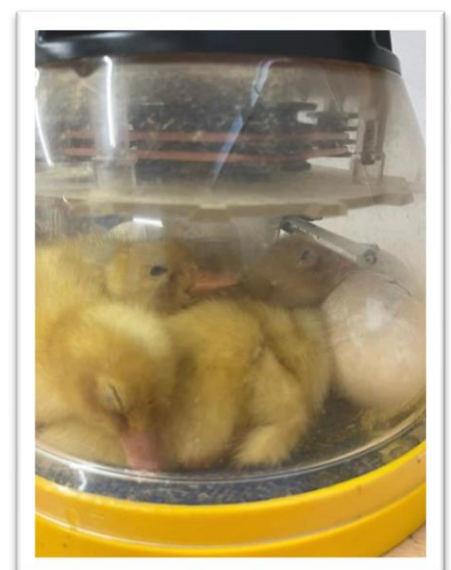
Ruby Class – Mysterious Visitors for Science Week

Science Week’s theme of *Curiosity* was a perfect match for Ruby Class, who received some very mysterious visitors — **eggs!** The children eagerly shared their theories, asking questions such as:

- “What’s in the eggs?”
- “Is it a chick?”
- “Is it a crocodile?”
- “Is it a dinosaur?”

At the end of the day, tiny cracks appeared in the shells, leaving everyone excited for what might emerge the following morning.

All classes will have the opportunity to meet the new arrivals next week — and hopefully enjoy some cuddles too.



Year 6 SATs Parent Meeting

Parents are invited to an information session about the upcoming **Year 6 SATs**, including what to expect and how the school will support the children. Although aimed at Year 6 families, **Year 5 parents** are also very welcome to attend.

Wednesday 18th March

3.30pm

Diamond Class

Year 4 Multiplication Check Parent Meeting

An information session will be held for parents regarding the **Year 4 Multiplication Check**, which takes place in the summer term.

The meeting will explain what the check involves and how families can support their children at home.

Thursday 19th March

3.30pm

Emerald Class

This session is open to **Year 3 and Year 4 parents**.

'Big Walk and Wheel' – Starting Next Week

From **16th–20th March**, the school will be taking part in the **Big Walk and Wheel**, the UK's largest inter-school walking, wheeling, scooting and cycling challenge.

The event aims to encourage children to choose active travel to school, helping to:

- Improve local air quality
- Promote healthy daily habits
- Spark discussions about climate change
- Show how small actions can make a big difference

The school looks forward to seeing many pupils walking, cycling, scooting and wheeling their way to school throughout the week!

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



No Birthdays this Week



STARS OF THE WEEK

Ruby

- ❖ All of nursery for their enthusiasm in learning about ducklings.
- ❖ Ellie for fantastic effort.
- ❖ Ralph for trying really hard to join his letters.
- ❖ Lilly WG for super confidence in Maths.

Sapphire

Emerald

- ❖ Herbert for an incredible independent write with a wonderful happy ending.
- ❖ Kaden for an excellent independent write with fantastic humour.
- ❖ Arthur for improved attitude and for being fabulous. Also, for working on his handwriting.
- ❖ Louis for fabulous focus and improved effort during lessons, especially Maths.

Diamond

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Whole School
Attendance – 96.15%**

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

- ❖ **Ruby Class Parents Evening** takes place on **Monday 16th March** from **1.00 – 5.00 pm**.
- ❖ **Walk to School Week** is from **Monday 16th to Friday 20th March**. Children are invited to walk, scoot or ride to school. There will be a walking bus from the Three Horseshoes on Monday & Tuesday leaving at 8.40 am.
- ❖ **Year 6 Parents Meeting (SATs)** is on **Wednesday 18th March after school**. Year 5 parents are welcome to attend.
- ❖ Emerald Class parents are invited to a meeting on **Thursday 19th March** at **3.30 pm** regarding the **Year 4 Multiplication Check** which will take place in the summer term. Year 3 parents are welcome to attend.
- ❖ **Red Nose Day** is on **Friday 20th March**. Children are invited to come to school in **non-uniform** to raise money for children & families in need. Donations can be made via the link [Kate Rutt is fundraising for Comic Relief](#). The school council are running a joke competition, please submit your joke via the link [Red Nose Day - Joke competition](#)

MENU w/c 16th March 2026

Day	Menu – Week 1
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Beef Burger (Red) ❖ Potato Frittata (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans (V) (Yellow) ❖ Tuna Mayo Roll (Blue)
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Chicken Pie & Gravy (Red) ❖ Swedish Style Plant-Based Meatballs (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (V) (Blue)
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Roast Chicken (Red) ❖ Plant-Based Shepherd's Pie (Ve) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato with Grated Cheese (V) (Yellow) ❖ Ham Roll (Blue)
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Quorn Dipper Taco with Sweet Chilli Sauce (Ve) (Red) ❖ Mac 'n' Cheese (V) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (Ve) (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Roll (V) (Blue)
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Fish Fillet Fingers (Red) ❖ Margherita Pizza (V) Green ❖ Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans (V) (Yellow) ❖ Egg Mayo Roll (V) (Blue)



**SCHOOL
DINNERS**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
16/03/26	Ruby Parents Evening – (1-5 pm)
16/03/26 – 20/03/26	Big Walk & Wheel Week (walking bus leaving Three Horseshoes at 8.40 am)
18/03/26	Y6 Parents Meeting (SATs) at 3.30 pm
19/03/26	Emerald Parents Meeting (Multiplication Check) at 3.30 pm
20/03/26	Red Nose Day – Non-Uniform
25/03/26	Emerald Class Showcase (2.15 pm)
25/03/26	Diamond Class - Last Swimming Lesson
26/03/26	Easter Service
27/03/26	Last Day of Term. 1.30 pm finish.
30/03/26 – 10/04/26	Easter Break
13/04/26	First Day Back
15/04/26	Sapphire Class – 1 st Swimming Lesson
04/05/26	Early May Bank Holiday 2026
11/05/26 – 14/05/26	Year 6 SATs
18/05/26 – 20/05/26	PGL Residential – Diamond Class
21/05/26	Year 6 Crucial Crew
22/05/26	Inset 5 (School Closed)
25/05/26 – 29/05/26	Summer Half Term
01/06/26	First Day Back
09/06/26	Class Photos
24/06/26	Sapphire Class – Last Swimming Lesson
09/07/26	Transition Day
23/07/26	Last Day of Term



GOOD TRAVEL PLAN 2025



24 March – 4 April 2025

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



Well Bean Gardening

Learning through growing
Growing through learning

Start Growing with our After-School Gardening Club in February



- Spellbrook's Gardening Club meets on Wednesdays and is open to Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. Limited spaces available
- £31.50 for five sessions Feb 25 - March 25
- 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
 - Sowing seeds
 - Continuing to develop the Sensory Garden

If you would like your child to attend, please return the slip below to the school office before Wednesday Feb 25 and make a payment of £31.50 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

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- 👋 Meet new people and make great memories

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Thursday 2nd April 2026
09:00-15:00
For ages 5-12 years

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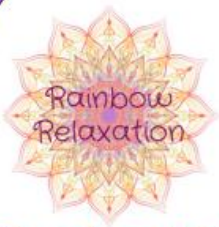
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Thursdays 12.15-12.45
in the library
Mindful crafts such
as weaving, colouring,
collages, drawing and
much more- all
working on
mindfulness, self
esteem and emotional
regulation.
Year 1-6
£3.50 per session,
paid each half term
To book please email
the address below!



hannah.rainbowrelaxation@gmail.com
[@rainbowrelaxation](https://www.instagram.com/rainbowrelaxation)



Spellbrook after school mindfulness club

Wednesdays 3.20-4.30
Mindful crafts,
group games, yoga,
breathwork and
simple meditation-
working on
mindfulness, self
esteem and emotional
regulation.
Year 1-6
£7 per session, paid
each half term
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Club Fee £8
a week

THE SECRET ART CLUB

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- Drawing
- 3D
- Collage
- And more!

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January 2026, 3.20 - 4.30 pm

TO BOOK

www.carolineclarkartist.com or
via the QR code. Any queries,
contact Caroline Clark (Caz)
07847269734

Address

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Primary School,
Spellbrook

 [carolineclarkartist](https://www.instagram.com/carolineclarkartist) or
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Are you looking for a fun way for girls 5-8 (School years 1 to 4) to get involved with football? Then look no further! Wildcats is the place to be, everyone is super awesome; from the friends you'll meet to The FA qualified coaches and volunteers who deliver the sessions.



Day & Time
Every Wednesday 6pm to 7pm

Venue
The Bishop's Stortford High School
Beaumont Avenue
Bishops Stortford
CM23 4SH

Contact
Hugo Vasconcelos
07485 004007

Hugo.Vasconcelos@bscfc.co.uk

Are you looking for a fun way for girls 9-11 (School years 5 & 6) to get involved with football? Then look no further! Wildcats is the place to be, everyone is super awesome; from the friends you'll meet to The FA qualified coaches and volunteers who deliver the sessions.



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SPORTS



MONDAY
6.30-7.30PM
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7-11 YEARS



WEDNESDAY
12.30-2.00PM
BASKIN BABIES
BIRTH +



WEDNESDAY
4.00-5.00PM
STREET DANCE
6-9 YEARS



THURSDAY
9.30-10.30AM
BUGGY FIT
PARENT & BABY



THURSDAY
11.00AM-12.00PM
MINI BALLERS
2-3 YEARS



FRIDAY
9.45-10.30AM
MOVE WITH ME
6 MONTHS +



FRIDAY
4.00-5.00PM
THE ART SQUAD
7-11 YEARS



SATURDAY
9.00-9.45AM
DIDEE ATHLETICS
2-3.5 YEARS



SATURDAY
9.45-10.30AM
LITTLE ATHLETICS
3.5-5 YEARS



SATURDAY
10.30-11.15AM
MINI ATHLETICS
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