



## NEWSLETTER - 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026

**VALUE: Service**  
**Focus: Looking at the heart**  
**'Serve one another in love' Galatians 5:13**

### FROM THE HEADTEACHER

What a busy and exciting week it has been for all our pupils! It has been wonderful to see such enthusiasm, curiosity, and resilience across the school, with every class taking part in engaging learning experiences and special activities. We are incredibly proud of all our pupils and the positive attitudes they continue to demonstrate.

#### Ruby Class



This week, **Ruby Class** had a very special visit from a police officer. The children were thrilled to meet them and were especially excited to see the police vehicle up close!

During the visit, the officer spoke about their role and the different responsibilities they have each day. The pupils learned how the police help to keep our communities safe and provide an essential service to everyone.



Ruby Class showed fantastic listening skills and curiosity, asking thoughtful questions and engaging beautifully in the discussion. Experiences like this really help bring learning to life and deepen the children's understanding of the world around them—well done, Ruby Class!

#### Sapphire Class

**Sapphire Class** took part in a wonderful drama session this week. Through their work in drama, the children have been developing important communication skills, supporting their oracy, confidence, and ability to express ideas clearly.

They explored different characters, emotions, and storytelling techniques, which helped to build both their performance skills and their ability to work collaboratively.

It has been fantastic to see pupils growing in confidence and enjoying the opportunity to perform and share their ideas with others.

## Emerald Class



It has been a very creative and productive week in **Emerald Class**. In RE, the children have been learning about the features of a mosque. They used this knowledge to create beautiful silhouette artwork, using watercolours to design stunning backgrounds. Their finished pieces have been both thoughtful and visually impressive.

In History and Art, Emerald Class have now completed their topic on the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons. They

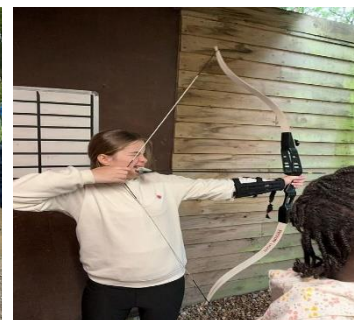
explored how this fascinating period in British history came to an end with the Norman invasion at the Battle of Hastings. The children were particularly interested to learn that, despite its name, the battle took place in a town called Battle!



To conclude their topic, the children designed and created their own Viking brooches. They carefully planned their designs using string and then covered them with tin foil to create a decorative, metallic finish. The results were fantastic, and the children showed great creativity and attention to detail throughout.

## Diamond Class

**Diamond Class** have had an incredible few days away, taking part in a wide range of exciting outdoor activities and challenges. This included archery, the giant swing, laser tag, fencing, and raft building, to name just a few.



The children demonstrated remarkable perseverance, courage, and resilience as they stepped outside of their comfort zones to try new and unfamiliar experiences. It was wonderful to see them encouraging one another, building teamwork skills, and celebrating each other's achievements. We are extremely proud of how all the pupils embraced these opportunities and approached each challenge with such positivity.



In addition, other members of Diamond Class have shown themselves to be excellent role models within the school. They have supported younger pupils as mini mentors, taken on extra responsibilities, and demonstrated maturity and leadership throughout the week. Alongside this, they have continued to work diligently on their own projects. Well done, Diamond Class—you truly represent the very best of our school community.

## Wonderful News

As we move towards the half-term break, we are delighted to share some very special news with you all. **Mrs Smith is expecting a baby!**

We are sure you will join us in offering her our warmest congratulations and best wishes at this exciting time. While we will certainly miss Mrs Smith during her maternity leave, we are all very much looking forward to welcoming her wonderful bundle of joy in the near future.

Mrs Smith is currently busy arranging any necessary meetings and handovers before the end of the summer term to ensure a smooth transition. During her maternity leave, Mrs Rutt and I will be stepping into her role, and we will be very happy to support you with any queries or concerns.

As always, if you would like to speak with us, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.

As we approach the half-term break, we would like to thank you all for your continued support. We hope you have a restful and enjoyable break with your families.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **1st June** as we begin our summer term together.

**Have a wonderful half term!**

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK AND OVER THE HALF TERM BREAK



Sapphire  
Petru

Emerald  
Thea  
George

Diamond  
Waris



## STARS OF THE WEEK

### Ruby

- ❖ Eliza for fantastic effort in lessons.

### Sapphire

- ❖ Jacob for great problem solving in his Maths lessons.
- ❖ Vinnie for increasing effort in his reading lessons.

### Emerald

- ❖ Eliza for designing and making a beautiful Viking brooch.
- ❖ Wren for expressing her ideas clearly and coherently in Maths.

### Diamond

- ❖ To all of Diamond Class for a fantastic week of activities.

## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Whole School  
Attendance – 93.59%**

### Class Weekly Attendance

**Diamond – 94.67%**

**Emerald – 90.64%**

**Sapphire – 92.61%**

**Ruby – 97.67%**

**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.**

## MENU w/c 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

Day	Menu – Week 1
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Pork Sausages &amp; Gravy (Red)</li> <li>❖ Lentil Bolognese Pasta Shells (Ve) (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato with Beans &amp; Cheese (v) (Yellow)</li> <li>❖ Tuna Mayo Baguette (Blue)</li> </ul>
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Beef Lasagne (Red)</li> <li>❖ Plant-Based Grill (Ve) (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato with Grated Cheese (V) (Yellow)</li> <li>❖ Chicken Mayo Baguette (Blue)</li> </ul>
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Roast Chicken (Red)</li> <li>❖ Cheese &amp; Tomato Puff Pastry Tart (V) (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo (Yellow)</li> <li>❖ Ham Baguette (Blue)</li> </ul>
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Quorn Burger (v) (Red)</li> <li>❖ Butternut &amp; Chickpea Biryani (Ve) (Green)</li> <li>❖ Jacket Potato with Beans &amp; Cheese (v) (Yellow)</li> <li>❖ Egg Mayo Baguette (Blue)</li> </ul>

## NOTICES

- ❖ **Inset Day** – this is a reminder that **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** is an inset day and school will be closed. School resumes at the normal time on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**. Have a lovely half term break.
- ❖ **NEW Street Dance Club** starts on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June** from **3.20 – 4.20 pm**. The club is open to children from **Reception to Year 6**. Please see the flyer below with the link for more information and booking.
- ❖ **The Little Recyclers** – this is a reminder to bring in donations of unwanted clothing, bags, shoes etc in bags on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June by 9 am**. Donations should be dropped off **under the bike shelter at the front of the school**. Please see the link for a full list of items that can be donated:  
[Acceptable items | The Little Recyclers](#)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
22/05/26	Inset 5 (School Closed)
25/05/26 – 29/05/26	Summer Half Term
01/06/26	First Day Back
01/06/26 – 05/06/26	Year 4 Multiplication Check
03/06/26	The Little Recyclers (Donations)
08/06/26 – 12/06/26	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
09/06/26	Class Photos
24/06/26	Sapphire Class – Last Swimming Lesson
25/06/26	Sports Day
26/06/26	Ruby Trip to Thorndon Park
29/06/26	SEND Parent Meetings – 3.30 – 5.30 pm
30/06/26	Outdoor Learning Day
03/07/26	Sports Day (back up date)
07/07/26	Parents Evening – 1.00 – 5.30 pm
09/07/26	Transition Day
10/07/26	KAS Afterschool Clubs last day
13/07/26	Diamond Production Dress Rehearsal
14/07/26	Diamond Production (tbc)
17/07/26	PTA Summer Fair
21/07/26	Bouncy Day
22/07/26	Leaver Church Service – 2.15 – 3.00 pm
23/07/26	Last Day of Term – 1.30 pm finish

Friday

- ❖ Fish Fillet Fingers (Red)
- ❖ Margherita Pizza (v) Green
- ❖ Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (Ve) (Yellow)
- ❖ Cheese Baguette (v) (Blue)



SCHOOL  
DINNERS



GOOD TRAVEL PLAN 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



Dear Parents/Guardian,

I, Christina Marks will be offering the students of Spellbrook C OF E Primary School Street dance every Friday after school.

Class times will run from 3:20-4:20

### STREET DANCE PROGRAMMES

High-energy, confidence-boosting classes your child will LOVE!

Our exciting street dance programmes combine fun choreography, great music and performance skills in a supportive and inclusive environment. Perfect for children of all abilities — whether they're full of confidence already or looking to come out of their shell.

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To register and secure please follow the link below.

<https://christina-marks-sopa.class4kids.co.uk>

If there are any problems, you will need to contact me on my email address or phone number.

Yours Sincerely,

Christina Marks.

Email: [Christinamarksschoolofperformingarts@hotmail.com](mailto:Christinamarksschoolofperformingarts@hotmail.com)

Tel- 07525 850 232



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## Well Bean Gardening

Learning through growing  
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Spring into Summer with  
our After-School  
Gardening Club



- Spellbrook's Gardening Club meets on Wednesdays and is open to Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. Limited spaces available
- £37.80 for six sessions June 3 - July 8
- 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 June 3 and make a payment of £37.80 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

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Instagram: @wellbeangardening



## 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

To book please email the address below!



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



## Spellbrook lunchtime mindful crafting club

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!



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## KAS & 5DS DODGEBALL SCHOOL CLUBS

### SUMMER TERM

(W/C - 20.04.26 \*UNLESS STATED)

#### SESSIONS INCLUDE:

- Warm-up Activities
- Skill practises
- Team building exercises
- Match play scenarios

#### WHO CAN JOIN?

Boys and girls  
Age range will depend on the club provided  
All skill levels welcome

PLEASE SEE REVERSE FOR ALL CLUB DETAILS

[www.kitteridgeallsportsltd.com](http://www.kitteridgeallsportsltd.com)  
[www.5dsdodgeballclub.com](http://www.5dsdodgeballclub.com)

Day	Timing	School	Club & Year Groups	Club provider
Monday *Starting 13.04.26	Before-School 7.45am-8.45am	Northgate	Get-Active (Rec-Y6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Monday *Starting 20.04.26	After-school 3.45pm-4.30pm	Howe Green	Cricket (Y3-4)	Kitteridge All Sports
Monday	After-school 3.15pm-4.15pm	Summerville	Outdoor Dodgeball (Y2-Y6)	5Ds Dodgeball Club
Tuesday *Starting 14.04.26	Before-School 7.45am-8.45am	Northgate	Get-Active (Rec-Y6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Tuesday	After-school 3.20pm-4.20pm	St Josephs	Dodgeball (Y3-Y6)	5D's Dodgeball Club
Tuesday	After-school 3.20pm-4.20pm	Spellbrook	Football (Rec-6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Wednesday *Starting 15.04.26	Before-School 7.45am-8.45am	Northgate	Get-Active (Rec-Y6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Wednesday *Starting 15.04.26	Before-School 7.45am-8.45am	St Josephs	Gymnastics (Rec-Y6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Wednesday	After-school 3.20pm-4.20pm	Northgate	Rounders (Y3-6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Wednesday	After-school 3.20pm-4.20pm	St Josephs	Rounders (Y3-6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Thursday *Starting 16.04.26	Before-School 7.45am-8.45am	St Michaels	Dodgeball (Y1-Y6)	5D's Dodgeball Club
Thursday	Before-School 7.45am-8.30am	Howe Green	Darts (Y3-Y6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Thursday	After-school 3.20pm-4.20pm	Spellbrook	Cricket (Rec-6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Friday *Starting 17.04.26	Before-School 7.45am-8.45am	St Thomas Canterbury	Athletics (Y1-Y6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Friday	After-school 3.45pm-4.30pm	Howe Green	Cricket (Y3-4)	Kitteridge All Sports
Friday	After-school 3.15pm-4.15pm	St Thomas Canterbury	Cricket (Y3-6)	Kitteridge All Sports
Friday	After-school 3.20pm-4.20pm	Spellbrook	Dodgeball (Rec-6)	5D's Dodgeball Club
Friday	After-school 3.25pm-4.25pm	Thorn Grove	Dodgeball (Y3-Y6)	5D's Dodgeball Club

To complete a booking for our Summer Term clubs in 2026 please head to our websites (Front of flyer)



# SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

More clothes - more funds for your organisation.  
1 kg = £0.45

YOUR COLLECTION IS ARRANGED ON:

**3 JUNE**  
WEDNESDAY

FILL ANY BAGS WITH CLOTHING AND BRING THEM TO SCHOOL/ORGANISATION WE WILL COLLECT AND WEIGH THEM

- WE ACCEPT**
- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
  - Shoes (paired)
  - Bags
  - Hats & scarves
  - Belts
  - Fashion accessories
  - Swimwear, lingerie
  - Jewellery
  - Perfumes

- WE DON'T ACCEPT**
- Uniforms
  - Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
  - Traditional clothing
  - Duvets & pillows
  - Single shoes
  - Toys, stationery
  - Bric-a-brac & electrical items
  - Books, CDs, DVDs
  - Workwear
  - Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
  - Hygiene items, diapers
  - Linen & towels

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**Sibling Rivalry Workshop - Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 9.30am to 11.30am**

This workshop provides parents/carers with practical strategies and tools to effectively foster positive sibling relationships, promote cooperation and manage conflicts between children.

**Reducing Conflict Workshop - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm to 9pm**

This workshop is for parents/carers struggling with conflict within their family life and provides tools to promote a cooperative and collaborative approach to resolving the conflict.

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# SUMMER CAMPS 2026

## DISCOVER NEW ACTIVITIES THIS SUMMER!

The timetables below are for this Summer - we refresh activities every holiday so there's always something new to experience!

OUR ACTIVITY COLOUR SYSTEM

FIRE = YELLOW

SPARK = PURPLE

POWER = RED

CLASSIC = BLUE

EVERY HOLIDAY NEW COLOUR, NEW ACTIVITIES!

WEEK 1					WEEK 2				
<p><b>SPARK SET</b></p> <p>CODING ROBOTS</p> <p>INFLATABLE THEME PARK</p> <p>LITTLEBITS INVENTIONS</p> <p>IMMERSIVE AR</p> <p>MINECRAFT REDSTONE</p>					<p><b>SPARK SET</b></p> <p>LEGO ROBOTS</p> <p>NERF ARENA</p> <p>SCIENCE SHOW</p> <p>WIZARD STOP MOTION</p> <p>PHOTOSHOP FUN!</p>				
<p>STAR WARS VIDEO GAME DESIGN</p> <p>AUGMENTED REALITY</p> <p>GAME CREATOR STUDIO</p> <p>CIRCUITS LAB</p> <p>LEGO GRAVITY DROP</p>					<p>ROBOT CHALLENGE</p> <p>ROBOT MISSIONS</p> <p>SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS</p> <p>ROBLOX GAME DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>DIGITAL DRAWING</p>				
<p>TAKE HOME INVENTIONS</p> <p>Electric</p> <p>Conductive</p> <p>Mechanics</p> <p>Colour</p>					<p>TAKE HOME INVENTIONS</p> <p>Electric</p> <p>Water</p> <p>Mechanics</p> <p>Solar</p>				

The days that these activities will be taking place differ site to site, please check website for your camp's schedule

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Lunch & Snacks NOT-FREE

Water Bottle

Medication if Required

Weather Appropriate Clothing

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