



NEWSLETTER – 16th October 2026

VALUE: Generosity

Focus: Giving Sacrificially

‘God loves a cheerful giver’. 2 Corinthians 9:7

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Ruby Class

In our RE lesson this afternoon, we learnt how the Christian Bible begins with the Creation story. We talked about how Christians believe God made the Earth and all the animals within it.

We listened to Tessa and Tom, who had been talking to their Grandad about jellyfish and had asked, “*Why did God create jellyfish?*” We learnt that jellyfish are beautiful creatures but can also be harmful. The children created their own jellyfish and talked about what fascinating animals they are.



We carefully cut the bell-shaped part of our jellyfish from card, decorated it with pastels and added bubble-wrap tentacles. The finished creations looked fantastic!

Sapphire Class



This week, Sapphire Class have finally built their cars after weeks of planning, designing and learning about the different components needed to make a vehicle.

The children had the opportunity to use a hacksaw to cut wooden dowels for the axles of their cars and then fit the wheels onto the car frames they had previously glued together and decorated. They were all very proud of their achievements and should be commended for their perseverance and teamwork.



Sapphire Class are also very excited about their school trip next Wednesday!

Emerald Class

Emerald have been creating music this week. We took inspiration from two pieces of artwork, *Starry Night* by Van Gogh and *Rain's Rustle II* by Afremov. Using glockenspiels, our bodies and our voices, we created some beautiful compositions which we then shared with the rest of the class.

In Maths, we have been working hard on addition, learning how to exchange when adding numbers with up to four digits. In Art, we painted our Anglo-Saxon stone carvings and think they look fantastic.



Diamond Class



Diamond Class have been learning about water resistance and what makes an object streamlined.

The children carried out investigations using stopwatches to time how different shapes fell through water and discussed why some designs moved more efficiently than others.

A special congratulations to Harvey, who received a **Man of the Match** award this week. Well done, Harvey!

Looking Ahead

Parent consultations will be taking place next week and again after half term, on **5th November**.

Please make sure you have signed up for your appointment time if you have not already done so.

Friday 23rd October will be our last day before half term.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing everyone next week!



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

No Birthdays this Week



STARS OF THE WEEK

Ruby

- ❖ Cristiano for focused learning.
- ❖ Efrem for trying hard and showing resilience all week.

Sapphire

- ❖ Toby for super effort in his handwriting.
- ❖ Noah for working really hard on his behaviour.

Emerald

- ❖ Elle for always trying her best in her learning.
- ❖ George for wonderful singing in his music composition.

Diamond

- ❖ Vogue for a fantastic effort in writing.
- ❖ Leighann for an amazing attitude to everything.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Whole School
Attendance – **95.16%**

Class Weekly Attendance

Diamond – 95.08%

Emerald – 94.25%

Sapphire – 93.33%

Ruby – 100%

Whole School Target Set – 96%



NOTICES

✚ **Sapphire & Diamond SEND Parent Meetings** take place on **Monday 19th October**.

✚ The school **photographer** will be in school on **Tuesday 20th October** to take individual & sibling photos. Children should come to school in **full uniform**. **Diamond Class** children should bring their PE kits to change into.

✚ **Emerald SEND Parent Meetings** take place on **Tuesday 20th October**

✚ **Sapphire Trip to Stansted Aerozone** is on **Wednesday 21st October**.

✚ **Year 6 Online Health Questionnaire** – the school nurse will be in school on **Wednesday 21st October** to carry out a health and well-being survey. If you do **not** want your child to participate, please opt out using the link: [School Screening Form](#)

✚ **School closes** at the usual time on **Friday 23rd October** for the half term break and **resumes on Monday 2nd November** at the usual time.

MENU w/c 19th October 2026

Day	Menu – Week 2
Monday	❖ Chicken Curry (Red) ❖ Plant-Based Sausages & Gravy (Ve) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo (Yellow) ❖ Cheese Baguette (v) (Blue)
Tuesday	❖ Plant-Based Meatballs with Tomato Sauce (Ve) (Red) ❖ Mac 'n' Cheese (v) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato with Grated Cheese (v) (Yellow) ❖ Egg Mayo Baguette (v) (Blue)
Wednesday	❖ Roast Beef (Red) ❖ Quorn Fillet (Ve) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato with Beans & Cheese (v) (Yellow) ❖ Chicken Mayo Baguette (Blue)
Thursday	❖ Chicken Pie & Gravy (Red) ❖ Mild Bean Chilli (Ve) (Green) ❖ Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (Ve) (Yellow) ❖ Ham Baguette (Blue)
Friday	❖ Battered Fish (Red) ❖ Margherita Pizza (v) Green ❖ Jacket Potato with Beans & Cheese (v) (Yellow) ❖ Salmon Mayo Baguette (Blue)



**SCHOOL
DINNERS**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
19/10/26	Sapphire & Diamond SEND Parent Meetings
20/10/26	Emerald SEND Parent Meetings – 3.30 - 5.30 pm
20/10/26	School Photos (Individual)
21/10/26	Sapphire Trip to Stansted Aerozone
21/10/26	Year 6 Online Health Questionnaire
21/10/26	Emerald Swimming – Last Lesson
26/10/26 – 30/10/26	Half Term
31/10/26	Deadline to apply for secondary school
02/11/26	Nasal Flu Vaccinations (rescheduled)
05/11/26	Parents Evening – Whole School
13/11/26	Children in Need Day – Run Pudsey Challenge
20/11/26	Nasal Flu Vaccinations – 2 nd Visit
27/11/26	Occasional Day – School Closed
30/11/26	Christmas Decoration Day
30/11/26	PTA Christmas Wreath Making Workshop – 6.30 – 8.30 pm
04/12/26	PTA Christmas Carols & Hot Chocolate
08/12/26	Nativity (TBC)
09/12/26	Nativity (TBC)
14/12/26	Pantomime
15/12/26	Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day
16/12/26	Christmas Church Service
18/12/26	Last Day of Term. Finish at 1.30 pm
04/01/27	Inset 3
05/01/27	School Resumes
15/02/27 – 19/02/27	Half Term
22/02/27	Inset 4
23/02/27	School Resumes
01/03/27	Secondary School Allocation Day
25/03/27	Last Day of Term. Finish at 1.30 pm
26/03/27 – 09/04/27	Easter Break
12/04/27	School Resumes
22/04/27	BMX Day
03/05/27	Early May Bank Holiday – School Closed
31/05/27 – 04/06/27	Half Term
21/07/27	Last Day of Term – Finish at 1.30 pm
22/07/26	Inset 5

BREAKFAST CLUB

8am - 8.40am everyday

Cooked breakfast served at 8am



£5.00 per session

Payable via Arbor

Please book 24 hours ahead to ensure availability

NB Late arrivals will not be catered with a cooked breakfast



SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS

★ NEW STREET DANCE CLUB ★

Christina Marks School of Performing Arts

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are delighted to announce that Christina Marks School of Performing Arts will be launching an exciting new after-school club at Spellbrook C of E Primary School after the summer holidays.

Our sessions are designed to help children build confidence, express creativity and have fun, all within a supportive and energetic environment led by experienced performing arts specialists.

Street Dance

High-energy routines inspired by modern dance styles that children absolutely love. These sessions are suitable for children in Reception through to Year 6 and are a fantastic opportunity for children to stay active, build friendships and grow in confidence.

★ Spaces are limited and we expect them to fill quickly.

➡ to book your child's place please visit:

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

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us and we will be happy to help.

We look forward to welcoming your child to a fun and inspiring term of Street Dance.

Warm regards,

Christina Marks

cmsopa.enquiries@hotmail.com

Director

Christina Marks School of Performing Arts

Please follow and like our social media page Christina Marks School Of Performing Arts

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



LEARN KARATE

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SENSEI SHAUNA CARROLL 4th DAN

SPELLBROOK C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

MONDAY 3:20pm - 4:20pm



SELF DEFENCE

CONFIDENCE

FLEXIBILITY

DISCIPLINE

FITNESS

FIRST LESSON FREE

REGISTER NOW



07713 866964



shaunacarrolluka@hotmail.com



Well Bean Gardening

Learning through growing
Growing through learning

Our After-School
Club Needs New Gardeners
Wednesdays 3.20pm-4.30pm



- If your child is in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 and would like to join Spellbrook's Gardening Club, we meet on Wednesdays and need more hands to keep our gardens looking sensational.
- £31.50 for five sessions Sept 23 - Oct 21
- All equipment supplied but pupils must bring appropriate clothing as we will be outside in all weathers
- This half-term we'll be:
 - o Working to improve the school gardens
 - o Collecting seeds
 - o Harvesting vegetables

If you would like your child to attend, please return the slip below to the school office before Wednesday September 23 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)

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Email: wellbeangardening@gmail.com
Mobile: 07817 528652

facebook.com/wellbeangardening
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

@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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SPELLBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

KAS SPORTS CLUBS THIS AUTUMN TERM

Move more. Play together. Have fun with KAS.



AFTER SCHOOL

KAS Dodgeball Club

Tuesday | 3.20pm-4.20pm

All ages

£5 per session



AFTER SCHOOL

KAS Football Club

Thursday | 3.20pm-4.20pm

All ages

£5 per session



READY TO JOIN?

BOOK ONLINE

Scan the QR code to find the school club
booking form.

kitteridgeallsportsltd.com



SCAN TO BOOK

SPORT • FRIENDSHIP • CONFIDENCE • FUN



Well Bean Gardening & Spellbrook PTA
Present:

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop

Spellbrook PTA
with Wendy Gordon



DATE & TIME:

Monday 30th November
6:30pm - 8:30pm



LOCATION:

Spellbrook School Hall

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Create a beautiful natural door wreath.
- All materials, foliage, and tuition provided.
- Take home your finished 30cm (12") wreath.
- ★ Christmassy Drinks & Nibbles Included!

COST
£35
per person

BOOKING:

Cash in an envelope at the school office
OR via SumUp at:

spellbrookpta.sumupstore.com



B B C CHILDREN IN NEED



SCHOOLS!

TAKE ON A

runPudsey

CHALLENGE

**Every child who fundraises
receives a medal!**

**RunPudsey Challenge on Friday
13th November**

To register your child, simply:

1. Visit our school fundraising page:
<https://www.runpudsey.co.uk/school/spellbrook-cofe-primary-school>
2. Select "Register as a Parent"
3. Enter Spellbrook Primary School
4. Enter our unique school code: 5E16
5. Complete the registration form with your details and create a password

Once registered, your child will have their own fundraising page, which you can share with friends and family to help support this fantastic cause. We can print out sponsorship forms instead, please let your class teacher know if you would prefer to collect sponsorships this way instead.

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Parent Alienation Workshop

A parenting workshop designed to support separated/divorced parents and protect parent-child relationships

The workshop will cover:

- Increase understanding parental alienation
- Recognising common patterns and behaviours in ourselves and others
- Exploring the emotional impact on children and parents
- Develop communication and de-escalation skills
- Maintain parent-child bond during reduced contact
- Improve confidence with professionals

Dates and times

**Friday 27th November 2026, 9.30am to 11.30am
OR**

Thursday 3rd December 2026, 7pm to 9pm

**The workshops
will be online
via MS TEAMS**

To book your place, call Louise on **0204 522 8700**, email services@coramfamilylives.org.uk or scan our QR code to use our online referral form



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OCTOBER HALF-TERM

JAMES COLLINS FOOTBALL CAMP

WEST HAM · ASTON VILLA · WALES

MON 26 · TUE 27 · WED 28 OCTOBER

9AM - 3PM · AGES 4-13 · ALL ABILITIES

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DAY 1 - MON 26

01

PROFILE & POSITION

Position testing, position-specific training
and small-sided games - then the squad
draft.

DAY 2 - TUE 27

02

SHARPEN THE SKILLS

Drilling, passing, finishing and defending,
plus the Skills Challenge for squad points.

DAY 3 - WED 28

03

THE CAMPIONI CUP

Group stage, cup finals and awards.
Parents invited from 2.15pm for
presentations.

Individual days can be booked - but the full three days is where the magic happens.

£45 PER DAY

ALL 3 DAYS £42.50 PER DAY
discount applied automatically

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