



SAUNCEY WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been wonderful to welcome our children back after the summer holidays and we are all excited to see what the new academic year brings.

We welcomed our children during our first assembly and unveiled our new school motto.



Sauncey Wood Primary School

Be curious, be kind, be your best, be you!

We chose the motto because we felt it encapsulates exactly what we encourage our children to be when they join our school.

Be curious

Curiosity encourages children to ask questions, explore new ideas and develop a love of learning. When children are curious, they become independent thinkers and lifelong learners.

Be kind

Kindness helps children build positive relationships, show respect for others and create a caring school community. It teaches empathy, teamwork and consideration for everyone around them.

Be your best

This reminds children to work hard, persevere and take pride in their achievements. Success is not about being better than others, but about making the most of their own abilities and always striving to improve.

Be you

Every child is unique. This part of the motto encourages children to be confident in who they are, celebrate their individuality and feel proud of their strengths, interests and talents.

We also introduced a new award, the Maths Facts award, where children can win Bronze, Silver and Gold awards for learning their times tables. They need to know all of the facts in random order and be able to tell us the division fact too. We have organised the groups of facts in order of difficulty (rather than 1 to 12) and we will give children the opportunity to demonstrate the facts they know across the year. Our homework expectations are that children read, practice their spellings (or phonics), handwriting and their timetables every night and I hope that these awards will encourage them to practise frequently.

If you haven't followed our Facebook or Instagram pages, please do. Starting with Elm class this Monday, each class in turn will be taking over our social media for the week and sharing the fantastic learning they have been doing.

Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you at our first Celebration Assembly on Friday.

Mr Brewis
Headteacher

Dates for the Diary	
Friday 11 th Sept 2026	Teddy bear's picnic for Reception and Year 1 pm
Wednesday 16 th September 2026	Meet the teacher 3.30-4.30
Friday 18 th September 2026	Sports day and colour run
Tuesday 22 nd September 2026	EYFS and KS1 phonics meeting 3.30-4
Wednesday 23 rd September 2026	Reception to Hedgehog Sanctuary
Tuesday 6 th October 2026	Year 5 trip to STEM Centre
Thursday 8 th October 2026	Year 4 to Verulamium Museum
Tuesday 13 October 2026	Year 3 trip to Celtic Harmony
Tuesday 20 th October 2026	Year 6 trip to RAF Hendon



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Playground Renovation Project

In aid of Friends of Sauncey Wood

The playgrounds for Reception and Year 1 at Sauncey Wood School were in dire need of update and repair. Thanks to the Harpenden Trust and our wonderful parents, we successfully raised the money to deliver the first update - our lovely new climbing frame. Now we need to raise the money for the second phase of works!

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