



SAUNCEY WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers



Welcome back everyone to the new term.

As we move into January the learning behaviour we are focusing on this half term is **PERSEVERENCE** – “*continued effort to do or achieve something despite difficulties, failure, or opposition*”. We are very proud to recognise those pupils who have demonstrated this learning behaviour this week:-

- Elm Class (Reception - Amelia) and (Year 1 - Mimmy)
- Beech Class - the whole class
- Rowan Class - Annemiek
- Maple Class - Nayan
- Larch Class - Essie
- Oak Class - Joey
- Willow Class - Hyrum

This week's Star Learners:-

- Elm Class (Reception - Anna) and (Year 1 - Woody)
- Beech Class - Ed
- Rowan Class - Lorenzo
- Maple Class - Izzy
- Larch Class - Niamh
- Oak Class - Louie

As the weather is very unpredictable, we will always try and allow the pupils to go out at break and lunchtimes. Please ensure that your child has a coat, hat and gloves with them every day and that all items are named.

As we shared with you yesterday, we would like to remind you of our closure procedures:-

“Any decision as to whether or not it is necessary for the school to close due to severe weather will be taken in consultation with other local schools. We do not take such a decision lightly and recognise that it would cause inconvenience to families. In such circumstances, we aim to make a decision by 7am and, in the event that the school is unable to open, we will notify parents by email as soon as possible. Please do check for messages in the morning. If the school is closed, then children are able to do their Maths on TT Rockstars, continue reading and do any homework that they have been given”.

We have sent out information regarding the lunchtime and after school clubs for this term, there are a few new external providers offering options. Please make sure you sign up promptly to confirm your child's place.

To those families who use our breakfast club; in the mornings the top car park can get quite congested as staff arrive; if you are driving to drop off please either park safely on the road or use the bottom car park. Thank you.

Also attached, are posters and links to a range of SEND workshops/meetings for parents/carers, please contact Mrs Bloomfield if you need further advice regarding your child's additional needs

Yours sincerely



Mr Brewis
Headteacher

| Dates for the Diary | |
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| Monday, 12th January | Extra-Curricular Clubs begin |
| Friday, 16th January 2026 | Orchestral Explorers in for Whole School workshops |
| Thursday, 22nd January | Year 6 trip to St Albans Museum and Gallery |
| Tuesday, 27th January | Year 2 - Great Fire of London workshop in school |
| Wednesday, 28th January | Football Match against Harpenden Academy (Home) |

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| Friday, 30th January | Netball Match against St Dominics (Home) |
| Tuesday, 3rd February | Year 4 trip to Hertfordshire Zoo |
| Wednesday, 4th February | Netball Match against Beech Hyde (Away) |
| Thursday, 5th February | Football Match against St Dominics (Away) |
| Monday, 9th February | Football Match against Beech Hyde (Away) |
| Tuesday, 10th February | Netball Match against Manland (Home) |
| Thursday, 12th February | Tag Rugby Tournament at Harpenden Rugby Club |
| Friday, 13th February | Finish for Half Term |
| Monday, 23rd February | Netball Match against St Helens (Home) |
| Friday, 27th February | Football Match against The Lea (Home) |
| Tuesday, 3rd March | Parents' Evening - Spring Term |
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| Thursday, 5th March | Parents' Evening - Spring Term |
| Thursday, 5th March | Netball Rally at KWS |
| Friday, 6th March | Football Match against Markyate (Home) |
| Wednesday, 11th March | Football Tournament at Wood End Sch |
| Friday, 13th March | Football Match against Manland (Away) |
| Monday, 16th March | Netball Match against St Nicholas (Home) |
| Tuesday, 17th March | Year 3 Visit to the Natural History Museum, Tring |
| Tuesday, 17th March | Football Match against Kimpton (Away) |
| Thursday, 19th March | Mad Science Assembly for STEM Week - Whole School |
| Monday, 23rd March | Year 5 - Greek Vase Workshop in school |
| Monday, 23rd March | Netball Match against Markyate (Away) |

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| w/c beginning 23rd March | Extra-Curricular Clubs finish |
| Tuesday, 24th March | Spring Music Festival |
| Thursday, 26th March | Football Match against St Nicholas (Home) |
| Friday, 27th March | Finish for the Easter break at 1.30 p.m. |



We have a school Amazon wish list [Sauncey Wood Amazon Wishlist](#) and we would be most grateful if you are able to purchase something from the list for the school - this gift would be most appreciated.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO LET THE SCHOOL OFFICE KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES TO YOUR PERSONAL DETAILS SO THAT WE HAVE THE CORRECT TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR AN EMERGENCY. (INCLUDING YOUR SECOND CONTACTS)

