



Newsletter 13th June 2025

Dear Parents and families,

What a wonderfully busy and active week it has been for us all! As always, I am immensely proud of the hard work, enthusiasm, and good spirits demonstrated by our pupils and staff.

Here is a snapshot of some of the highlights from this week:

Sports Day Success!

Sports Day went ahead on Tuesday and what a magnificent event it was! The atmosphere was fantastic, filled with cheering, laughter, and great displays of athleticism and teamwork. Every child participated with enthusiasm and great sportsmanship. It was wonderful to see so many families turn out to support and encourage the children. A huge thank you to Mrs Stevens for organising such a successful and enjoyable day, to all the staff who helped make it run so smoothly and to the Year 6 children for all their help with setting up the equipment and supporting the younger year groups. They demonstrated great leadership qualities.

The winners of the 'Respect Cup' (for the team who collectively earned the most 'Respect' points throughout the day) were Green House.

The overall results are as follows:

1st Green House with 41 respect points

2nd Blue house with 40 respect points

3rd Yellow House with 31 respect points

4th Red House with 29 respect points.

We also present the House Winners' Cup to the house that accumulates the most sporting points throughout the day in the different sporting events. This year the results were as follows:

1st Blue house with 2,745 points

2nd Green house with 2,694 points

3rd Red house with 2,531 points

4th Yellow house with 2,329 points

On Wednesday, the pre-school children had their sports day, which was held in the pre-school and children's centre gardens. A carousel of 5 activities were set up for the children to take part in followed by an award ceremony of medals and then a family picnic before they went home. The children had a lovely morning.

Year 3 Journey to Celtic Harmony

Year 3 embarked on an exciting adventure yesterday with their class trip to Celtic Harmony Camp. They had an incredible time immersing themselves in Stone Age life. The children learnt how to weave wool to make clothes, grind wheat to make flour, press herbs to make foraged stew, twist raffia to make bracelets and took part in a trading activity. The children all had a brilliant day and they all looked the part too! This trip provided a fantastic opportunity for them to bring their history lessons to life and experience first-hand what life was like thousands of years ago. Many thanks to our parent volunteers who came along and supported the children too.

Year 4's Hudnall Park Assembly

We were treated to an informative assembly by Year 4 this week, all about their recent residential trip to Hudnall Park. It was clear from their presentations, photos, and enthusiastic recounts just how much they gained from their time away. They shared stories of teamwork, resilience, overcoming challenges, and the incredible outdoor learning experiences they had. It was fantastic to see their confidence shine as they reflected on their adventures and the new skills they developed. Well done, Year 4, for such a brilliant showcase!

Sponsored Bounce Certificates and Prizes

What an incredible effort from all of our pupils during the sponsored bounce event! We are absolutely thrilled with the enthusiasm and generosity shown by everyone. Every child who raised money has received a certificate this week to acknowledge their fantastic contribution. Your support makes a real difference to our school, and we are so grateful to each and every one of you. We also want to give a special shout-out to those who went above and beyond, raising truly exceptional amounts of money. Your dedication is inspiring!

The winners of our prizes for raising exceptional amounts are:

Early Years - Thomas Y
K.S 1 - Romilly B
L.K.S 2 - Nathan A
U K.S 2 - Chloe BM

Class Assemblies

This term, we still have some class assemblies to look forward to. We welcome parents and families to come into school to watch assemblies and hear what the children have been learning. All assemblies start at 9am and last for approximately 20 minutes.

Thursday 26th June - Year 3
Thursday 3rd July - Year 6
Tuesday 8th July - Year 1

Year 1 Phonics Screening Checks and Year 4 Multiplication Checks

This week, all of the children in Year 1 have taken part in a statutory test to assess their ability to decode words, using phonics. The children were required to decode a list of real and nonsense words, by sounding the words out and blending the sounds to read the word.

We were so proud of our Year 1 class who were super stars. It was wonderful to see how much progress they have made this year with their phonics.

In Year 4, they too have had to take part in a statutory multiplication check. This check ensures that the children are able to recall their times tables at speed and with accuracy. As the children reach Year 4 an increasing amount of the curriculum requires them having secure times table knowledge. Again, we were really proud of our Year 4 class who tried their very hardest and showed how much progress they have made this year.

We will be sending home results to parents in Year 1 and Year 4 before the end of the school year.

Watton's Got Talent

Is back again this year due to popular demand!!!

This event is open to all children in KS2 to take part in. They will audition in their class during the week beginning 23rd June and all of the children in each class will vote for their favourite act. The top three acts in each class will go through to the final of our talent show, which will be held in the hall on Friday 27th June. The final will be watched by all of the children in the school so that everyone can enjoy this event.

If your child is in Years 3 - 6, then they can take part in the auditions. Their talents can be diverse just as long as they can be performed on stage. Can your child dance, tell jokes, act, perform a skill, do magic tricks, sing? Please can you help them to practice for their audition at home and bring into school any props that they may need for their audition.



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Great to Be Gold

<u>Pre Sch</u>	<p>Camille - Camille has been an absolute superstar this week. She has been really helpful to all the grown ups always being the first to offer to help an adult, and her peers. Camille also supported her friends brilliantly at sports day cheering them on! Great job Camille we are very proud of you!</p> <p>Olive - Olive achieved something great this week - she tried to do a challenge on her own, and she really persevered until she achieved the task all by herself! She was very proud of herself, and we are very proud of you too!</p>	<p>Isla - Isla has had a great week. She has been really happy and has independently explored the environment, investigating everything that has been set out! Great job Isla we are very proud of you!</p>
<u>Nur</u>	<p>Ada - for being super brave this week and coming to school with a smile on her face! Fantastic Ada, keep it up!</p> <p>Parker - for trying really hard in phonics and gaining confidence with naming some of our sounds independently! Great work Parker!</p>	<p>Beatrix - for always working to the best of her ability and trying her hardest during our adult led sessions. Excellent Beatrix!</p>
<u>Rec</u>	<p>Annie - for always making sure to use her manners to say please and thank you.</p>	<p>Orla - for working to the best of her ability and paying attention to all the adults on sports day.</p>
<u>Year 1</u>	<p>Bem- for being an outstanding role model always being respectful and making good choices.</p> <p>Zachary- for working to the best of his ability and having great coaching skills to others.</p>	<p>Fraser- for being an excellent role model and showing his love for learning in all subjects.</p>
<u>Year 2</u>	<p>Sophia- for working to the best of her ability and showing a love of learning.</p>	<p>Sienna- for working to the best of her ability in maths.</p>
<u>Year 3</u>	<p>Darcy - has been awarded Great to be Gold this week for working to the best of her ability during maths whilst learning about angles.</p>	<p>Peter - has been awarded Great to be Gold this week for showing enthusiasm, being engaged and having a love of learning during our maths lesson.</p>
<u>Year 4</u>	<p>Bettie - for being an outstanding role model to others. Bettie displays all of our Great to be Gold values every day. Well done Bettie.</p>	<p>Olly - for working to the best of his ability. I have really noticed the effort that he puts into his work. Well done Olly.</p>
<u>Year 5</u>	<p>Edward - for his kindness and empathy to his peers.</p> <p>Logan - for working to the best of his ability.</p>	<p>Orlagh - for her love of learning and working to the best of her ability.</p> <p>Eliza - for being an amazing role model.</p>
<u>Year 6</u>	<p>Ben - for meeting all the Great to Be Gold criteria. Ben is a fountain of knowledge and loves to impart his wisdom and is always there to support his peers.</p> <p>Noah - for inviting lonely people to play - he spotted a year 5 child on the bench and invited them to play basketball with him.</p>	<p>Erin - for showing a love of learning in RE and being really thoughtful about the meaning of life and carefully explaining her beliefs so that it was clear and thought provoking for others.</p>

This Weeks attendance %

Wilson Class (Reception)	99.3%
Riley Class (Year 1)	100%
Blake Class (Year 2)	97.1%
Morris Class (Year 3)	93.8%
Seurat Class (Year 4)	98.3%
Crosby Class (Year 5)	98.1%
Moore Class (Year 6)	98.2%

Whole School Attendance this week 97.9%
Whole School Attendance this term 97.41%
Well done to Riley Class for 100% attendance.



House Points

This week

First place - Red House - 550
Second place - Blue House - 460
Third place - Green House - 446
Fourth place - Yellow House - 439

This Half term To Date

First place - Red House - 925
Second place - Yellow House - 862
Third place - Green House - 848
Fourth place - Blue House - 835

CALLING ALL YOUNG PERFORMERS!

Do you love to dance? Do you love to perform?
If so, come along to BEAM's open auditions to find young dancers for their magical family pantomime Beauty and the Beast at BEAM, Hertford.

Auditions are being held Sat 28 June 2025 at BEAM.
The auditions are open to all children aged 9-16 who are in school years 4-11 during the production.
Auditions start at 10am with registration at 9:30am. Please complete all paperwork and bring with you on the day.
Full information can be found via [Junior Ensemble Audition - BEAM Hertford](#)

Birthdays this week

We wish these children a very happy birthday



Freya B - 9th June

Pupil Parliament Meetings

Our Pupil Parliament meetings took place today, with all children participating in mixed age groups. These important discussions were skillfully led by our Year 5 children, with fantastic support and coaching from our Year 6 children. It's wonderful to see our older pupils taking on such responsible roles and guiding their peers.

They had productive discussions on a range of topics, including the possible options for zoning off the playground at playtime to create different play areas, discussing what classroom comforts they would like in their classes in the new academic year to make their classrooms even more comfortable, their favourite aspect of No Pen's Days and a discussion about the forthcoming Talent show 'Watton's Got Talent'. Their commitment to making the school an even better place for everyone is truly commendable.

Headteacher's Awards



Each week, staff are constantly looking for children in the school who are showing awareness of one or more than one of our school learning values. These values will help children to become better learners as well as developing their relationships with others around them. Children are recognised for their achievements with being awarded Headteacher's Awards.

Reception:

Aurora - for showing kindness and empathy to others during sports day.

Charlie - for trying his hardest to be independent with his learning and having a positive 'can do' attitude.

Cameron - for showing resilience with his learning, especially with his writing and responding positively to feedback.

Year 1:

Frankie- for having empathy and kindness to others inviting children to play from friendship bench.

Grace- for having resilience in sports day and taking part in all activities.

Year 2:

George- for showing resilience in all lessons.

Logan- for working with others in PE.

Year 3:

All of Year 3 - On Thursday we visited the Celtic Harmony Camp and all of the children were respectful, showed curiosity, worked well with others and took risks throughout the trip! We are very proud of you all!

Year 4:

Millie - for having high aspirations whilst we have been learning about time in maths this week. Well done Millie.

Sam - for being independent and settling to his work straightaway. Well done Sam.

Ethan - for resilience when completing events during sports day. Well done Ethan.

Year 5:

Isabella - for her resilience on sports day.

Liam - for kindness and empathy to his friends.

Year 6:

Christian - for being resilient in art, working independently to make his Henry Moore clay sculpture.

All of year 6 - for being independent, having pride, being reflective and showing empathy and kindness on Sports Day

CARERS WEEK - YOUNG CARERS

Caring about Equality



- Could someone in your family be a young carer?
- A young carer cares for a **family member** who, due to illness, disability, a mental health condition or an addiction, **cannot cope without their support**.
- We are proud of our young carers and the care they provide. However, a young carer **may miss out** on extra support offered and opportunities in their education, careers and personal lives due to their caring role.
- You can get them further support by contacting the Young Carers Service at Carers in Hertfordshire.

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email: young.carers@carersinherts.org.uk



Visit: www.carersinherts.org.uk/young-carers

Dates For Your Diary

Diary dates in red - new dates added this week

Summer Term

- Monday 16th - 20th June - Year 6 PGL
- **Monday 16th June - Hertfordshire Zoo to visit Year 3 for a rainforest themed workshop**
- Tuesday 17th June - No Pens Day/Forest School visits
- Wednesday 18th June - No Pens Day/Forest School visits
- **Week beginning 23rd June - Watton's Got Talent auditions**
- Monday 23rd June - New to Nursery class (September 2025) parent meeting 6pm
- **Tuesday 24th June - District Sports**
- Thursday 26th June - Year 3 class assembly 9am
- Thursday 26th June - New to Reception class (September 2025) parent meeting 6pm
- Friday 27th June - Watton's Got Talent

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- Monday 30th June - 4th July - Little Wandle Assessments
- Thursday 3rd July at 9am - Year 6 class assembly
- Thursday 3rd July - FOW Payout
- Tuesday 8th July - Year 1 class assembly
- Wednesday 9th July - Reception class trip to Epping Forest
- Thursday 10th July - Moving up to new classes (morning only)
- Monday 7th - 11th July - Assessment Week
- Tuesday 15th July - Moving up to new classes (morning only)
- Tuesday 15th July - Year 6 play 6pm
- Wednesday 16th July - End of year reports sent home
- Wednesday 16th July - Year 6 play 6pm
- Monday 21st July 3.20pm - school uniform give away
- Tuesday 22nd July 8.45am - school uniform give away
- Wednesday 23rd July - Year 6 leavers service
- Wednesday 23rd July - End of Term 2.15pm