

# CHAMBERSBURY NEWS

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*Working together to become change makers*

27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

## ATTENDANCE 2025-2026—WHOLE YEAR

Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole
91.4%	93.8%	90.0%	93.2%	92.6%	95.1%	92.5%	92.7%

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### Bloxels Game Design Afterschool Club

Let your child become a real game designer! In our Bloxels Afterschool Club, children will learn how to design, build, and play their own video games using the powerful and creative Bloxels platform.

Students will explore multiple game styles, including:

Platformer games with jumping, obstacles, and enemies

Top-down adventure games

RPG-style games with characters, quests, and worlds

Along the way, children will develop key skills in game design, logic, creativity, and problem-solving.

They'll learn how levels work, how characters interact, and how to design games that are fun, challenging, and fair for players.

Perfect for beginners and budding game developers alike, this club encourages imagination, teamwork, and confidence — all while learning real digital design skills through play.

Design it. Build it. Play it. Share it.

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Every Tuesday for 6 weeks

# BLOXELS Reloaded Summer 1

£59

Chambersbury Primary

Learn how to animate characters, create retro platformers and top down RPGs, story boarding, game play and animation!

Computer Xplorers

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✓ Tax-Free Childcare

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Reminder — Summer Term

The Summer Term starts on Tuesday 14th April — see you all then!

## Cross Country

We were delighted to offer a fantastic opportunity for 14 of our children to represent the school at the Lockers Park Cross Country afternoon. Competing in both the U10 and U11 races, every single participant should feel incredibly proud of what they achieved—especially after just one week of dedicated training with Mr D. You truly shone like the stars you are! A special congratulations goes to Jenson in Year 4, who finished an outstanding first place in the U10 race by a considerable distance, and to Leo M in Year 6, who delivered an exceptional performance to win the U11 race by over a minute. We would also like to extend our thanks to Mr Johnson for accompanying and supporting the team, and to Miss Cope for organising such a brilliant event. Teddy in Year 5 summed it up perfectly, saying it was “the best thing I have done whilst being at Chambersbury.” Following such a successful experience, we are thrilled to announce that this will now become a permanent fixture in our sporting calendar.

## Online Safety

There has been lots in the news this week about online safety, social media addiction and Robloxs supervision. Please, over the holidays, supervise your children whenever they are online and ensure they are using tech appropriately. Don't forget there is a holiday camp running at the school that you can sign your children up for which will keep them off of phones/tablets/computers.

The following articles may be of interest to parents:

[Parents should monitor children 24/7 on Roblox, says developer - BBC News](#)

[Screen time for under-fives should be limited to one hour a day, parents told - BBC News](#)

[What next for big tech after landmark social media addiction verdict? - BBC News](#)

## Chambersbury — The Movie

Thank you for all the support with the filming this week. Unfortunately, the weather wasn't on our side which meant we couldn't get outside and reduced how many pupils could be involved. The film is now in the editing room and we look forward to seeing the final cut in a couple of weeks.

On Wednesday 15th April, we are having photographs taken for our new website — hopefully the weather is better by then — please make sure your consent on Arbor is up to date and your children are in school and looking their best on this day.

## Clubs

The Summer club letter has gone out — sorry that this has been left this late. Clubs spaces are allocated on a first come, first serve basis, so book your child's place quickly.

We would love every pupil to attend at least one club over the course of the year.

## Bunny

Due to being well known for the high quality art our pupils produce, we were invited to design a bunny for the Hemel Bunny Trail — see if you can find it hiding in one of the shops in Hemel!



## Book Sale

Thank you to everyone that attended the book sale this week and thank you to Mrs Wright for organising it. The funds that we receive from this will be reinvested in new school books.

Mrs Wright's passion for reading and the work she is doing for English across the school is having a really positive impact for your children. The biggest thing you can do to support her, and your children, is to read with them every day.

## Spring Term Round Up

What an amazing term this has been! Firstly, I am sure you will agree, the staff have been absolutely incredible, going far beyond what is in their job descriptions, pay grades and contracted hours. I am truly blessed to have such a brilliant team. I also want to thank you, the parents. This term has been so busy, there have been a huge number of events and we have asked a lot of you and your children. Thank you for your support with absolutely everything — I wouldn't be able to do my job without your backing and patience. Last week, I spoke about how the staff love your children, I feel that love back from you.

This term, in no particular order:

Were part of the Worlds largest children's choir, performing at Wembley.  
We became a top ten school in the East of England (NSPCC Rocks).  
Mr D ran a new holiday camp.  
A new EYFS sign was installed.  
We dressed up as rock stars!  
Were visited by Longdean's New Headteacher.  
Brought Spring in at the Hemel River of Lights.  
Celebrated World Book Day.  
Held a book fair.  
Year 4 attended a speed stacking event.  
Flew owls.  
Watched a Luton Football match.  
Were donated a sensory fish tank.  
Installed an outdoor stage.  
Charity Reps held an NSPCC cake sale.  
David Taylor, MP, visited.  
Mrs Dibble held a phonics lesson for parents.  
Took part in a cross country event, having the fastest pupils in both age groups.  
Miss Cope attended the PE conference.  
Trained staff on Mental Health and on autism.  
Started coding club.  
Won netball games.  
Started the air conditioning installation.  
Mrs Gerber attended the SEND Conference.  
P.A.T.CH held a doughnut sale.  
Reception visited Hemel library.  
Miss Alford presented Old MacDonald nurseries parent talk.  
Played football games.  
Year 2 and 3 had a glow dance rave!  
P.A.T.CH held a hugely successful movie night.  
Had a dough gym session for parents.  
Invited parents in for learning assemblies.  
Welcomed new pupils.  
Year 3 attended an Easter Egg hunt.  
Had a rock concert — including a parent drummer.  
Held teacher parent consultations.  
P.A.T.CH arranged Year 6 hoodies.

This, and much more, was all done whilst also providing the highest quality curriculum lessons!

Next term will also be a busy (and emotional) one - we will try to keep communications clear and timely. Let's continue to work together so that our pupils, your children, all thrive at Chambersbury.

### Year 3 DSSN Easter event

On Thursday, Year 3 had a wonderful time visiting Longdean to take part in a carousel of Easter-themed sporting activities. The pupils embraced every challenge with enthusiasm, energy and big smiles, showing great teamwork and determination throughout the afternoon. It was fantastic to see them trying new activities and supporting one another, making the most of such a fun and active experience. Most importantly, they represented Chambersbury superbly, demonstrating excellent behaviour, positive attitudes and true sporting spirit, something they should all be very proud of!

### INSET Day Camp

Hot off the press, I have just received the attached flyer — Mr Hall will be in school on Monday 13th April running a holiday camp!

Whilst we are aware that many of you may have arranged childcare for this day, we hope that some of you find this useful!

### Owls

On Wednesday we had a parliament of owls visit — this was a real special treat for our pupils. We felt that, as our school badge is an owl, all pupils should learn about them and get to see them. Some pupils were able to fly the owls around the hall and up and down the corridors. Other pupils had the owls fly over them, just centimetres above their heads and some pupils were able to hold the owls as well.

For this experience we invited 6th form photography students from Longdean to come over and take some photos — we will share these soon.

We hope this day created memories for our pupils, and whenever they look to our badge they will remember the strength and power of an owl.

Thank you to Berkshire Birds of Prey for attending, and thank you to Longdean for supporting.

### Friendly football fixture

On Thursday evening, the school football team played against St Cuthbert Mayne. The team showed great determination, particularly in the second half, where they really supported each other through excellent communication and teamwork. It was also a fantastic opportunity to see some of our Year 4 pupils step up and begin to establish themselves as part of the team ready for next year. Although the match ended in a loss, the effort and attitude shown by everyone was outstanding, and you should all be incredibly proud of yourselves. A special mention goes to Jenson in Year 4, who was named Player of the Match for his phenomenal performance throughout.

### Attendance and Behaviour

Due to the secure fit criteria of the revised Ofsted framework, for us to achieve the expected standard for Attendance and Behaviour in our next inspection, we need attendance to be, 'Overall attendance is broadly in line with national averages.'

Currently our attendance is 2% lower than the National Average, which will likely mean we get a judgement of 'Needs attention' for Attendance and Behaviour.

Please do everything you can to make sure your child is in school on time everyday.

Let's make next term our best ever!

### Play Team Expands

This week, Mrs Dibble, supported by the Year 6 Sports ambassadors, interviewed candidates to join our play team. I am pleased to say that we appointed 2 new members of staff, who will be working at lunchtimes to support play. This now means we have 9 members of staff on our play team!

The role of the play team is to support pupils at lunchtime both in the lunch hall and outside. They help organise games, look out for pupils on their own or having difficulties and support those who need it.

In the future we will be inviting parents in to see, and take part in, an OPAL lunchtime so that you get to experience it yourself!

## Easter — Self Study

In assembly today, I mentioned to the school that the next couple of weeks are a great opportunity to do some self study; work on the areas they have been developing. Resources such as Spelling Shed, Mathletics, and Times Table Rock Stars can be accessed online and I would recommend pupils read every day.

Next term Year 6 will be sitting their SATs, Year 4 their multiplication times table check, Year 1 their phonics screening check and Reception will be assessed against the EYFS profile. One more big push will see our pupils achieve the best results they can!

## Easter Egg Competition

Well done to everyone that entered the Easter Egg competition! There were some very creative and amusing designs – I was especially impressed with the parents category!



## Key Events:

Friday 27th March at 13:30 — End of term

Monday 13th April — INSET day

Tuesday 14th April — Pupils return

Tuesday 14th April — Ducklings arriving

Wednesday 15th April — Website photography being shot

Wednesday 15th April — Year 6 Forest School begins

Monday 20th April — Dacorum Family Services will be on the playground before school

Wednesday 29th April — Year 5 Forest School begins

Friday 1st May — Coffee afternoon with Dacorum Family Services

Thursday 7th May — Dacorum Family Services will be on the playground before school

Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May — Year 6 SATs

Wednesday 20th May — P.A.T.CH colour run

Monday 25th May — Half term

Monday 1st June — Pupils return

Monday 1st June - Friday 12th June — Year 4 MTC

Wednesday 3rd June — Year 3 Forest School begins

Wednesday 3rd June - Friday 5th June — Year 6 Residential

Monday 8th June - Friday 12th June — Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Wednesday 17th June — Year 2 Forest School begins

Tuesday 23rd June — Reception and Year 1 zoo trip

Thursday 25th June — New parents meeting

Wednesday 1st July — Year 1 Forest School begins

Friday 10th July — End of Year reports sent out

Friday 10th July — Summer Fair

Monday 13th July — Reception Forest School

Wednesday 15th July — Sports Day

Friday 17th July — Year 2 graduation

Friday 23rd July — Year 6 Leavers assembly and graduation

Red signifies new events/dates

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## HOLIDAY CAMP



Lead By Mr  
Hall



**INSET DAY SPECIAL**  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April

**Get ready for a  
Easter full of fun,  
friends, sports and  
arts and crafts**

Your child will participate in a thrilling lineup of sports activities including Football, Basketball, Hockey as well as Arts and Crafts



### Where / Price / Time

- CHAMBERSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL, HILL COMMON, HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HP3 8JF
- 8:30AM - 3:30PM
- £17.50 A DAY
- LATE PICK UP 5PM £7 EXTRA

**Spots fill fast - Sign up today for a Easter they won't forget!**

For more information: please scroll down to Chambersbury

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## HOLIDAY CAMP



Lead By Mr  
Dumford



### WEEK ONE

MON 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH – THURS  
2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL

### WEEK TWO

TUES 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – FRI  
10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

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# CHAMBERSBURY AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



Summer Term

Lead by Mr Dumford  
and Mr Hall



After Club

£6



- Safe, welcoming, and nurturing environment for all children
- Fun-filled before and after school sessions
- Range of engaging activities including sports, arts & crafts, games, and creative play
- Encourages friendship, confidence, and independence
- Qualified, caring staff focused on children's well-being

## New Pick Up Times and Prices

4:30pm

£5



5pm

£6.50



6pm

£10



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**Parent**  
My son goes to school  
happy knowing he has a  
TMP club on that day!

## FIRST SESSION FREE

AFTERSCHOOL CLUB  
EVERY WEDNESDAY (term time)  
3:30PM - 4:30PM



Maths

English

Reading

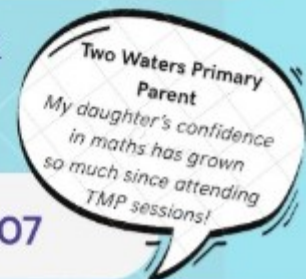
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Parent**  
My daughter's confidence  
in maths has grown  
so much since attending  
TMP sessions!