

# CHAMBERSBURY NEWS

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*Working together to become change makers*

26<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## ATTENDANCE 2025-2026—WHOLE YEAR

	Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole
	92.8%	97.2%	94.9%	94.1%	94.7%	93.1%	92.8%	91.5%

<https://www.chambersbury.herts.sch.uk/attendance/>

### Visitors and Feedback

It fills me with great joy to receive feedback from visitors who say things such as:

*'It was great to see how well settled the children were in general so early in term and it was clear that adults have positive relationships with the children and that they are working hard to understand and support the differing needs across the cohort.'*

*'Pupils are calm and engaged in their learning.'*

This week, I have also received messages from professionals as far away as Lincolnshire saying, *'Seen your EYFS area on Herts for Learning. Wow! Looks incredible.'*

Over the past year we have made many changes to the school and have rapidly improved standards across the board. Thank you for being part of this process and working TOGETHER with us to ensure the best possible education for your children.

### P.A.T.CH

Last year P.A.T.CH raised almost £2500!  
This year we already have many exciting events pencilled in; we will need support with these, so please get involved if you can. If you are not part of the P.A.T.CH Whatsapp group and want to be added, please speak to Mrs Stevens.

### A Message from the House Captains

The 'Certificate for Certificates' programme will continue this year, with a couple of added categories, please see below:

5-9 Certificates: Bronze  
10-14 Certificates: Silver  
15-19 Certificates: Gold  
20-24 Certificates: Platinum  
25+ certificates: Diamond

Certificates need to be brought in and shown to a member of the senior leadership team: Mr Payne, Mrs Stevens, Miss Alford or Mrs Gerber.

### Art Exhibition

There is much excitement building for the Art Exhibition on Wednesday afternoon — this event is kindly being sponsored by our friends at Supply Desk who will be providing some bubbly refreshments for adults to enjoy as you browse the artworks. As well as the artwork to be admired, our friends from Abbots Hill will be treating us to beautiful classical music whilst the exhibition is open.

You are welcome to bring friends and family to see the wonderful artwork and no tickets are required for this event.

Entry into the gallery will be through the West Entrance (the doors that open into the car park). The gallery will open at 15:30, featuring our special guest, alumnus Beryll!

**SupplyDesk**

## Abbots Hill School

Did you know on Friday afternoons we have a number of pupils from Abbots Hill supporting in the school?

We have built a strong relationship with our local independent school and their support is greatly valued — we hope to continue to grow this relationship.

## Road Markings — Can you help?

We would like to repaint the zebra crossing on our access road — do you have links to a company that might be able to help us with this?

## Clothing Collection

Do you have old, unwanted clothing at home? We are collecting and recycling old clothing; for every 1kg of clothing collected we receive 45p.

Clothing can be donated at school or in the collection point in Mayland Tesco Express.

## Going Above and Beyond

Schools core business is obviously teaching and learning and at Chambersbury we make no secret about how we are striving for better academic outcomes, however, we also go far above and beyond this.

This week for example, Mr Phillips helped a local resident with a deceased animal and Mrs Norton also reunited someone with their bank card. What a fantastic staff we have!

## National Coding Week

Assemblies this week have had a focus on National Coding Week, this is an annual event that aims to promote the importance of learning digital skills and using them in everyday life. By teaching pupils about technology we help to prepare them for the future.

Next weeks assemblies will be looking at road safety and the highway code — as the daylight hours reduce, this is the perfect time to remind pupils to ‘wear something bright at night.’

## An Evening with the Headteacher

Unfortunately, this week we cancelled the ‘Evening with the Headteacher’ due to low parental take up. Whilst my initial reaction was to be disappointed about this, on reflection it shows how positive our levels of communication are. We pride ourselves on working TOGETHER and our clear communication, weekly newsletters, social media and open approach means that parents are always kept well informed and up to date.



## Year 3 Girls Football

On Wednesday, the Year 3 girls took part in a fantastic football event for DSSN, where they had the chance to develop their skills and put them into practice in a series of fun matches. The girls showed great enthusiasm and teamwork throughout the day, working hard to improve their dribbling, passing, and shooting. It was brilliant to see their confidence grow as they applied what they had learned in the games, and they all represented the school with energy, determination, and a big smile.

This year, we are excited to be running two football teams for Chambersbury and are looking for two generous sponsors to support us with our kit. In return for your sponsorship, we will proudly display your business logo on our team shirts and also promote your company through our school's social media platforms. This is a great opportunity to support local sport and gain valuable exposure in the community. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Miss Cope by email or phone for more information.

This year, the cost of hiring coaches for our sporting events has increased, so we are kindly asking for contributions towards travel, which will be collected via Arbor. These contributions will help ensure that all children can continue to take part in the fantastic opportunities available. If anyone, or a local business, would like to go a step further and sponsor the cost of a whole event, we would be extremely grateful. Please contact Miss Cope by emailing the office if you are interested in supporting us in this way.

Thank you for your continued efforts to support us in Championing sport at Chambersbury.

## Key Events:

Wednesday 1st October — Year 5 and Year 6 Tag Rugby event

Wednesday 1st October — Art Exhibition

Friday 3rd October — School tours

Saturday 4th October — School tour

Monday 20th October — School photos

Thursday 23rd October — Year 2, 3, 4, 5 & 5 Cross country

Monday 27th October 2025 — Friday 31st October 2025 — Half term

Wednesday 5th November — Sports ambassador training

Saturday 8th November — School tour

Wednesday 12th November — Flu immunisation

Monday 24th November-Thursday 27th September — Year 5 & 6 Bikeability

Friday 28th November — Occasional day

Monday 1st December — INSET

Wednesday 10th December — Year 2 Victorian day

Monday 15th December — iRock concert

Tuesday 16th December — Panto

**CHALLENGE**  
SPORT & EDUCATION

# CHAMBERSBURY AFTER SCHOOL CHILDCARE

Daily after school childcare  
until 6pm each day for  
children in Reception -  
Year 6

Outside sports

Inside games /  
activities

Flexible Booking

**BOOKING / MORE INFO**

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16<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear Parent/carer,

**Introducing: The Mental Health Support Team (MHST)**

The Mental Health Support Team has been commissioned to work in educational settings across Hertfordshire to support children/young people/parent and carers with their emotional wellbeing. Your child's educational setting is supported by trained Mental Health Practitioners, working in collaboration with school staff. We aim to help all children and young people to succeed and achieve their full potential by providing a range of services, including:

- Group Work
- Workshops
- One-to-one sessions
- Drop-in sessions
- Supporting 'peer mentoring' programmes,
- Signposting children with higher needs to access the right support,
- Offering training and consultation to school staff,
- Building on schools' current wellbeing provision.

Interventions offered by the MHST are evidence based and tailored to the individual needs of each setting. We use Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) strategies and Guided Self Help for mild to moderate mental health to support children and young people.

One-to-one referrals are made to MHST by educational settings. Please speak to your educational setting if you/ your child would like to access this support.

If you **do not** wish for your child to be involved in any provision being offered by Hertfordshire Mental Health Support Team, please inform your educational setting.

Please click this link <https://www.hpft.nhs.uk/service-users/your-information/> for further information about how your data is stored and your legal rights in relation to this. If you have any questions about the MHST, please feel free to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

**Karen Jeffreys**  
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Hertfordshire Mental Health Support Teams  
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