

# CHAMBERSBURY NEWS

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*Working together to become change makers*

12<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## Art Week

This week has been our whole school art week; pupils have created owl artwork in various styles. On Tuesday we were visited by local artist Katherine Harper who shared her experience of the art world and inspired everyone with her energy and passion.

You will be able to view and purchase the pupils original artwork, mounted and/or framed at our art exhibition at 15:30 on Wednesday 1st October which will be opened by a very special guest.



## ATTENDANCE 2025-2026—WHOLE YEAR

	Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole
	88.2%	98.0%	95.5%	94.1%	95.5%	92.6%	93.8%	94.4%

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

## PATCH

This week you will have seen some of our PATCH team on the school playground explaining more about the important role they do for the school. We would like to see our PATCH grow from strength to strength so that more opportunities are available for the pupils (it is PATCH that arrange events such as school discos, the summer fair and doughnut sales).

If you would like to get involved with PATCH please speak to Mrs Stevens.

## Residents Rally!

Last year we put out a call to our local residents association to support the work we are doing in school to help raise standards — and as expected from our community they have answered the call! From next week we will be receiving regular visits from members of our residents association who will be reading with pupils across the school (this does not replace the daily reading pupils do with parents at home)

I would like to personally thank Richard Ball and the rest of the Chambersbury Lane Residents Association for their ongoing support.

### Reminder of Meet the Teacher

Meet the teacher virtual meetings are taking place next week. These meetings are an opportunity for parents to understand expectations and how to support children throughout the year.

A Microsoft Teams link will be sent out for these.

Reception: Tuesday 16th at 17:00

Year 1: Tuesday 16th at 16:30

Year 2: Thursday 18th at 16:30

Year 3: Monday 15th at 16:30

Year 4: Wednesday 17th at 6:30

Year 5: Wednesday 17th at 17:00

Year 6: Thursday 18th at 17:00

### Tours

Shortly, we will be commencing school tours for prospective parents – if you know anyone that might be interested in joining the Chambersbury family please let them know. School tours can be booked by phoning or e-mailing the school office: [admin@chambersbury.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@chambersbury.herts.sch.uk)

### Mad Science Assembly

On Thursday we were visited by Lightning Lauren from Mad Science (you may remember Mad Science from our summer fair or holiday camp). Shockwave Shannon show the pupils scientific phenomena including...

If your young scientist would like to join the Mad Science club, there are still places available to book.

Book your child's place here: <https://madsciencehb.classforkids.io/>



### Clubs

There are a small number of spaces available to year 3, 4, 5 and 6 pupils in our boxing club which is run by Warriors ABC Boxing, If you missed out on booking, please contact the school office who will be happy to help you.

### Childcare

Don't forget we have childcare on site, which we brought in last year following parental requests. This is run by the same company that runs some of our afterschool clubs and coaches PE lessons. Do make use of this service.

## Meet the Teacher

Our virtual Meet the Teacher sessions will inform you about the year ahead and the expectations for each year group. Please ensure you attend these so that you are able to get to meet your child's class teacher, know how to support your children this year and what to expect. This will be held on Microsoft Teams, a link will be sent out for these.

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## Parents ELS Phonics introduction

You will see on the list of Key Dates that we have added the ELS Phonics introduction on Thursday 18th September. This is an online meeting at 17:00pm, with Miss Alford who will be explaining exactly how we teach phonics at Chambersbury. This event is aimed at parents of Reception pupils however, I would recommend all parents in Year 1 and 2 also attend.

## Parking

Whilst I understand that parents are often rushing off to work after drop off in the morning, please be mindful of how and where vehicles are left — there has been some 'interesting' parking reported this week. Please use this link to report parking problems: <https://www.dacorum.gov.uk/home/community-living/parking-and-travel/problem-parking/report-a-parking-problem>

## Online Learning Resources

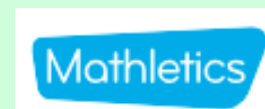
We know many of you are keen for your children to access learning resources outside of school; at Chambersbury we pay for the following online resources to support learning:

Times Table Rock Stars (Years 2 – 6, particularly important for Year 4)

Mathletics (Years 1 — 6)

Spelling Shed (Years 1 — 6)

Pupils can access these resources online to practice what they have been learning and develop new skills.



## House Captains

This morning was particularly exciting with the first Pupil Parliament (formerly Pupil Voice) of the year. These meetings take place regularly across the year with pupils discussing important aspects of school life. The Pupil Parliament today focused on the democratic election of House Captains — this prestigious role involves leading a house team and working alongside the schools leadership team to give input into decision making — it was last year's House Captains that campaigned to have a sports coach at lunchtimes and also to allow Year 6 leavers to wear their hoodies earlier than ever before. The newly elected House Captains will be announced shortly.

I will also be appointing new Charity Representatives to work with myself and Mrs Gallagher, our PSHE lead, on charity events.

## Key Events:

Monday 15th September — Year 3 Meet the Teacher

Tuesday 16th September — Year 1 Meet the Teacher

Tuesday 16th September — Reception Meet the Teacher

Wednesday 17th September — Year 4 Meet the Teacher

Wednesday 17th September — Year 5 Meet the Teacher

Thursday 18th September — Year 2 Meet the Teacher

Thursday 18th September — Year 6 Meet the Teacher

**Thursday 18th September — Parents ELS Phonics introduction**

Thursday 25th September — Meet the Headteacher

**Wednesday 1st October — Art Exhibition**

Friday 3rd October — School tours

Saturday 4th October — School tours

Monday 20th October— Individual School Photographs

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

*Red signifies new events/dates*

**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

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