

CHAMBERSBURY NEWS

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Working together to become change makers

8th May 2026

ATTENDANCE 2025-2026—WHOLE YEAR

Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole
91.7%	94.2%	90.3%	93.4%	93.2%	95.3%	92.8%	93.1%

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

Amazon Wishlist

We are delighted to share our Chambersbury Amazon Wish List with our school community. The list includes a range of resources and everyday consumable items that we regularly use in school. Many of these support our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) programme, helping to enhance playtimes and outdoor experiences, while others are used to support learning in the classroom.

If you would like to contribute, we would be very grateful for your support.

To take part:

- Click on the wish list link — <https://amzn.eu/05R4WA6f>
- Choose a resource you would like to purchase
- At checkout, please ensure the delivery address is set to the school
- Add your name and your child's name so we can send our thanks

The resources included are items we genuinely need or use regularly, and your generosity makes a real difference to the children's learning and play experiences.

School Visits

I am incredibly proud of our school and the developments we have made over the last 18 months. During this time, I have shown many professionals and prospective parents around, sharing the provision we have in place and how we support our pupils. I now want to extend this invite to current parents so that you can see the school day in action. If you would like to have a tour of the school, please send an e-mail to the office and we will schedule a time to show you around.

Year 2 Football

This morning, Year 2 attended Longdean for a football session. This was a great opportunity for the pupils to get out of school and, not only learn new skills, but also have a great time. It is investing in events such as this that has seen us recently awarded the Gold school sports award.

Dacorum Family Services

This week Dacorum Family Services visited again, giving you another opportunity to talk to them and seek their guidance. Although we don't have any more coffee mornings with them planned for this year, if you want their support just speak to a member of our school staff and we will put you in touch.

Police

Over the last 2 weeks you may have seen a police presence in the school. I have an open invitation for local police officers to use our school for any of their breaks or to visit for a brew.

This week I met with the police and the Chambersbury Lane Residents Association to look at parking and other aspects of how we can support each other. When parking, please do be mindful of not blocking driveways, keeping the crossing clear and not driving over grassed areas.

OPAL

Please do ask your children about their OPAL lunchtimes — the OPAL project is such a great aspect of our school provision. This week pupils have dug up dinosaur fossils, created dances (George Ezra's Green, Green Grass has been a particularly popular song), and been pushing each other around in buggies!

My favourite moment has been an amazingly creative game that was organised by a Year 4 pupil: in this game, you needed to pay 1 leaf to be able to roll the dice. If you landed on a 6, or had two scores that add up to 6, you would hold a pet octopus and an artist would draw a portrait of you!

When your children tell you about what they have been playing during OPAL lunchtimes, it might sound slightly unusual, but it's likely to be true!

Playground — Before and After School

I love that parents and pupils come to school early or stay a little later after pick up to chat, play and build relationships with each other and staff. It really shows how much we are working together and how much pupils want to be here.

Please do be mindful of others on the playground as we don't want any accidents to happen.

If your child wants to stay even longer at school, don't forget you can sign them up to our popular after school club.

Colour Run

It is great to hear that parents have signed up to P.A.T.CH to help out with the colour run — we are all very excited for this! If your child wants to take part you can sign them up in Arbor, under School Shop and please remember to consent to the terms and conditions in the Notices section of Arbor. Without this done they won't be able to take part.

Football

As you read this our football team will be playing a match — our players have worked hard in every game this year and continue to support each other and play with passion and determination. They are true assets.

SATs

Next week our Year 6 pupils will undertake their SATs; these are statutory assessments that all Year 6 pupils take across the country.

These tests are a check of what pupils have learnt during their time at primary school, not just what they have learnt in Year 6 — in fact, most of the test content is not new Year 6 learning. These tests do not define a pupil, they do not measure their kindness, their sporting ability, their artistic flare, their singing, their creativity and much, much more.

At this time of year, it is likely that Year 6 pupils may be emotional and feel pressured, often this is communicated through their actions — we are aware of this and are here to support them.

Year 6 do not need to cram revision this weekend, and they do not need to worry. They are well prepared and practiced for these tests. What they do need to do, is be relaxed, turn up to school on time every day next week, and do their best.

As always, please remember, just like you, we want the best for your children.

Reception Writing Parents Workshop

Thank you to all of the Reception parents that turned up to the workshop this week! I believe this is the best turn out of parents we have had for an event like this! It really demonstrates how you are working together with us to get the absolute best outcomes for your children.

We have a Maths workshop planned for Wednesday 20th May — it will be great to see you all attend this one.

Chambersbury P.A.T.C.H presents...

COLOUR RUN

**Wednesday 20th May
3:15pm - School Field**

**A fun-filled afternoon of running,
laughing & colourful splashes!**

£7 Entry per child

**Includes sunglasses to be worn for the
run & a medal.**

**White t-shirts and old bottoms to be
worn. Prepare for staining.**

**Parents can buy extra paint on the day
Candyfloss available
Sign up via Arbor**

Key Events:

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

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

Wednesday 20th May — Reception Mathematics Workshop

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

Thursday 23rd July — Year 6 Leavers assembly and graduation

Red signifies new events/dates



ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Descriptor	Threshold Attendance	Actual Attendance	Whole Days Absence	Learning Hours Lost
EXCELLENT	100%	190 days	0	0
	99%	188 days	2	10
GOOD	98%	186 days	4	20
	97%	184 days	6	30
	96%	182.5 days	7.5	37.5
SATISFACTORY	95%	180.5 days	9.5	47.5
CAUSE FOR CONCERN	90%	171 days	19	95
	89%	169 days	21	105
	88%	167 days	23	115
	87%	165 days	25	125
UNSATISFACTORY	86%	163 days	27	135
SERIOUS CAUSE FOR CONCERN	85%	161.5 days	28.5	142.5
	84%	159.5 days	30.5	152.5
	83%	158 days	32	160
	82%	156 days	34	170
	81%	154 days	36	180
CRITICAL	80%	152 days	38	190



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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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Contact us for info!

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

