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ATTENDANCE 2025-2026—WHOLE YEAR

Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole
91.4%	94.6%	87.1%	93.0%	93.6%	95.2%	92.4%	92.9%

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A message from the Chair of Governors

As we reach the end of the school year, I'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has helped make it such a positive one for Chambersbury. There has been so much to celebrate, from the school's strongest Year 1 phonics results for nearly a decade and record-breaking Reception outcomes, to success in cross-country and the NSPCC Rocks times-table competitions. These achievements reflect the hard work of the children, the support of families and the skill, care and commitment of staff across the school.

It has also been a year of important progress in the support given to pupils. Safeguarding remains a clear priority, with five trained Designated Safeguarding Leads, while Therapeutic Thinking has helped staff maintain a calm, consistent and inclusive approach to behaviour and wellbeing. The Year 5 and 6 end-of-year production was a real highlight and a great example of the time and encouragement staff give to creating memorable opportunities for the children. The refurbished Reception classroom and new air conditioning have also made a noticeable difference to the school environment. A special thank you must go to P.A.T.CH for its continued support and fundraising, including the record-breaking Summer Fair, which raised more than £1,600. Thank you to our staff, pupils, parents and carers for everything you have contributed this year.

Sports Week/Health Living Week

What an incredible Healthy Living Week we have had! We kicked the week off in spectacular style with our phenomenal Sports Day, where the enthusiasm, determination and sportsmanship shown by every child was truly inspiring. Throughout the week, pupils enjoyed an exciting range of activities designed to encourage healthy lifestyles and a love of being active. Thursday included house competitions, Taekwondo sessions delivered by Total TKD, and an exciting obstacle course on our Run Together track. On Friday, children loved taking part in glow-in-the-dark dodgeball delivered by Premier Sport, alongside skipping activities on the Run Together track. Monday brought more house competitions, fantastic dance sessions from Natalie Marshall's School of Dance, and an action-packed circuit of activities delivered by the RAF. We rounded off the week on Tuesday with Saracens delivering tag rugby sessions, alongside more brilliant dance opportunities. It was wonderful to see every child embracing the activities with enthusiasm, resilience and huge smiles throughout the week.

A huge thank you must go to our fantastic School Sports Ambassadors, whose hard work and enthusiasm helped make the week such a success, and of course to our amazing Sports to Inspire coaches, Mr D and Mr H as well as Miss Cope for organising the whole week.

Healthy Living Week was a tremendous success and one that will create lasting memories for all of our pupils.

Zoo Trip

Our Reception and Year 1 children went on a fabulous school trip to Hertfordshire Zoo last week. The excitement started early. Many children wanted to eat their packed lunches from the moment they arrived!

They explored the amazing animal habitats. They spotted the snow leopard and watched a gibbon swing. The children also loved seeing the crocodile, the snoozing sun bears, and the colourful lizards.

Next, they stepped back in time at Dinosaur World. The absolute highlight was a thrilling showdown with a water-firing dinosaur! The children bravely chanted, "You can't get me!" before getting completely soaked by a giant splash of water! They finished their brilliant day with an energetic burn-around at the play park. It was a day filled with great fun, learning, and wonderful memories. Thank you to all our staff and parent volunteers who helped make the day so special.



Ancient Egypt Day

Last Tuesday, Year 4 enjoyed a day all about Ancient Egypt! They created Egyptian crafts, like bejewelled neck collars and oil pastel portraits. They put their drama skills to good use, taking on the role of Tutankhamun in a performance to the class. In the afternoon they enjoyed a selection of Egyptian foods and had fun dancing along to 'Walk like an Egyptian'.

It was a lovely end to a brilliant history topic!



Thank you

I would like to take a moment to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has played a part in making it such a success.

To our incredible staff team – thank you for your unwavering commitment, passion and care. Every day you go above and beyond to create memorable experiences, inspire our children and ensure that Chambersbury is a place where every child can flourish. I am immensely proud to work alongside such talented and dedicated professionals.

To our amazing pupils – thank you for the enthusiasm, kindness, resilience and joy that you bring to school each day. You continue to make us proud with your achievements, your determination and the way you look after one another. You are what makes our school such a special place.

To our governing body – thank you for your continued guidance, challenge and support. Your commitment to the school and our community is greatly appreciated and plays a vital role in helping us continue to improve.

Finally, to all of our parents and carers – thank you for the trust you place in us and for the countless ways you support the school throughout the year. Whether volunteering at events, cheering from the sidelines, attending performances, fundraising, reading with your child at home or simply encouraging them every morning, your partnership makes an enormous difference. We simply would not achieve half of what we do without your support, and for that I am truly grateful.

It has been another remarkable year for Chambersbury. Thank you for being part of our journey. I wish you all a happy, restful and well-deserved summer break, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year together.

A Record Breaking Year

As we come to the end of another record breaking year for Chambersbury I wanted to reflect and share a few highlights with you, in no particular order:

Achieved Gold School Games award.

Reception GLD data is the highest it has ever been — beating our new record set last year!

Year 3 River of Lights Parade.

A new website and school video.

Held book fairs and celebrated World Book Day.

Year 4 MTC results are the highest that they have been, up 23.6% on the record set last year!

A higher percentage of Year 6 pupils have achieved the higher standard in Reading, Writing and Maths combined than the past 2 years!

2 Visits from our MP.

Achieved our highest attendance figures since before the Covid 19 pandemic!

Cross Country running at Lockers Park.

We introduced Learning assemblies for Year 2, 3 and 4 — a huge success!

16 Change-Makers have joined us with 5 more on their way this summer.

First open-air iRock concert — as well as parents and staff performing.

Netball team visited Luton Town FC after an incredible victory.

Fish tank installation.

Summer Fair raised more funds than ever before.

Year 4 Writing fluency project.

A visit from owls.

Year 1 phonics results are the highest that they have been since 2017!

Installed air conditioning and stayed open in the heatwaves.

Coffee afternoons with Dacorum Family Services.

Year 2 went to Gulliver's Land, a trip won by Mrs Rowe.

Behaviour incidents reduced by 29.3% compared to 2024-25.

More P.A.T.CH events including our quiz night, art gallery, movie night, winter fair and more!

Forest School for all classes.

New signage for EYFS.

Sporting events across the school, including a visit from a Cruiserweight champion.

Performing productions as well as watching those at Abbots Hill and Longdean.

A visit from the Mayor.

Year 6 Maths greater depth results are double that of last year!

Armed Forces Christmas card competition won.

Bikeability for Year 5 & 6.

MP's Christmas card competition won.

Pupils work shared in the Dacorum Young Artist Gallery.

The first, annual, Colour Run!

Year 1 Inclusion in Action project.

Mayors Christmas card competition won.

Multiple football matches including winning a local derby 4-1.

Cared for ducklings.

Year 1 Reading fluency project.

Upgraded to super fast internet.

Performed at Wembley Arena.

And much, much more!

What a year it has been with successes in every direction!

I finished last years final newsletter by saying, *'just like in all good books, chapter two is always better than chapter 1 — and I can't wait to share it with you all!'*

I believe by working together, this year we outdid all expectations! We now look ahead to 2026-27, we will continue to move the school forward, continue to encourage, support and challenge pupils, continue to make school irresistible and unmissable, and continue to make Chambersbury the choice of champions!

SPORTS2INSPIRE



HOLIDAY CAMP

*Led By Coach
Dan & Charlie*



Week 1
Tuesday 28th July -
Thursday 30th July

Week 2
Tuesday 4th August -
Thursday 6th August

Week 3
Tuesday 11th August -
Thursday 13th August

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