

CHAMBERSBURY NEWS

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Working together to become change makers

18th September 2026

ATTENDANCE 2025-2026—WHOLE YEAR

Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole
94.8%	93.3%	97.9%	93.0%	94.8%	99.6%	95.3%	95.9%

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

P.A.T.CH

Last week, I had a really productive meeting with some of the parents involved in P.A.T.CH, where we looked at the exciting events we could run for our school community this term.

P.A.T.CH are hoping to organise:

- Raisin' Money Challenge
- Pumpkin Competition
- The famous Doughnut Sale
- Winter Ball
- Winter Fair

And that's just the start! There are lots of other events we would love to run later in the year, including our ever-popular annual quiz night..

Of course, none of these events can happen without the support of our wonderful school community. If you would like to get involved, meet other parents and help raise money and create fantastic experiences for our pupils, we would love to have you as part of P.A.T.CH.

There is a dedicated P.A.T.CH WhatsApp group that you can join — please see the separate letter for the QR code.

Every bit of support makes a difference. Thank you to everyone who gives their time, energy and ideas to make these events possible!

School Tours

I have been doing a number of school tours recently which gives me a fantastic opportunity to get into classes and see pupils working hard.

Attached to this newsletter is a flier with our school tour dates on, if you know anyone that might be looking for a reception place for September 2027 or anyone that has moved to the area and is looking for a school place please share it with them.

Attendance

I would like to remind everyone of the NHS guidelines on sickness and school absence: [Is my child too ill for school?](#)

Please try to get medical/dental appointments outside of school time (I know that this can be challenging), if you are unable to get them outside of the school day, get them as close to the end of the day as you possibly can and bring your child in before hand.

Safeguarding

Those of you who have been part of the Chambersbury community for some time will know just how seriously I take safeguarding. We have a strong team of five trained Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mr Dodd, Miss Alford, Mrs Gerber, Mrs Stevens and myself.

All staff receive regular updates and training to ensure that our safeguarding knowledge and practice remain current and robust. Next week, we will also be welcoming a Child Protection Schools Liaison Officer, who will be working with us to review our reporting processes and provide some additional training for staff.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility at Chambersbury, and we are committed to ensuring that our pupils are cared for deeply, kept safe and able to thrive.

Visitors

Next week, we will be welcoming a number of visitors to Chambersbury, and I am really looking forward to the opportunities this will bring. On Monday, the Therapeutic Thinking team will be joining us to review our school culture, provide some additional staff training and meet with our Governors. Their visit will give us a valuable opportunity to reflect on what we do well and consider how we can continue to develop. On Wednesday, staff from a Luton school will be visiting as part of an exciting project we are involved in. They will be spending time looking at our approaches to attendance and behaviour and sharing ideas with us.

I have also invited a number of our Governors into school to spend time with pupils and staff and experience first-hand what I get to see every day at Chambersbury.

We are always very open to sharing our good practice and learning from others. We are proud of the calm, purposeful learning environment we have created together, and we love having the opportunity to show others what makes Chambersbury such a special place to learn.

Five

As I write this, I only have 5 parents signed up to the Therapeutic Thinking Behaviour talk on Monday 28th September straight after school. At Chambersbury we take behaviour extremely seriously and over the last 2 years have invested a lot of time, effort and money getting it right for our pupils. I will continue to have this commitment and I really need all parents onboard with this.

If you can't make it yourself, please send along someone who can feedback to you.

National Teaching Assistants Day

You may remember that last year, some of our incredible Teaching Assistants were nominated for national awards — a wonderful recognition of the difference they make every single day. Friday 25th September is National Teaching Assistants Day, and it is a great opportunity for us to celebrate and thank our amazing TAs for everything they do.

I am incredibly proud of the positive impact our Teaching Assistants have on our pupils. They build relationships, provide encouragement and support, help pupils overcome challenges and make such an important contribution to school life. To all of our Teaching Assistants — thank you! You are a hugely valued part of the Chambersbury team, and we are incredibly lucky to have you.

Amazon Wishlist

Don't forget we have an Amazon Wishlist, with items that you or others might want to slip into your shopping basket to enhance our school!

[Amazon.co.uk](https://www.amazon.co.uk)

Together

At Chambersbury we talk about working together, this is what makes our school so special. This week there was an unusual, but brilliant example of what this looks like.

A fox had left its mark on our playground, before we had had the chance to clear it up, a kind grandparent offered to use her doggy bags to do it for us! (thank you!)

This might not be about educational outcomes or attendance but it is just as important that we support and help each other in every way that we can.

Social Media

We have had lots of new families join us this year — you may not know but we are on both Instagram and Facebook. We use these platforms to give you a bit more of an insight into our school and what is taking place. Please do interact with our content, a 'like' or 'repost' here and there is much appreciated!

Clubs

Clubs have begun and it is absolutely lovely to see pupils having fun and bonding. One benefit of clubs that can be over looked, is how pupils from different year groups make friends and work together. Some clubs still have spaces, please refer back to the club letter to find out how to book them.



The poster features a black background with orange and white text. On the left, there is a photograph of a young girl in a white TaeKwon-Do uniform with a brown belt, performing a side kick. Below her, a smaller photo shows a boy and a girl in white uniforms practicing sparring with red protective gear. In the top left corner, there is a small circular logo with the text 'TOTAL TKD' and a shield emblem. The main title 'TaeKwon-Do Classes' is in large, bold, white and orange letters. Below it, 'at Chambersbury Primary School' is written in white. To the right of the title, there is an orange banner with the text 'TOTAL TKD' in white. At the bottom left, an orange box contains the text 'All year groups Every Thursday 3.15-4.15pm' and 'I will also have a class at 4.15-5.15 open to all children in and out of the school'. To the right of this box, there is a list of four benefits: 'Self Defence', 'Focus', 'Fitness', and 'Discipline', each preceded by a checkmark. At the bottom right, there is an orange box with the text 'Book your Childs space;' followed by a phone icon and the number '07912349533'. Below this, there is a white box with an email icon and the address 'chanelletotaltkd@yahoo.com'. In the bottom left corner, there is a small circular logo with the text 'THE ENGLISH TAEKWON-DO' and a red and white cross emblem.

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SCHOOL TOURS

*Come and see our school
in action!*



SATURDAY TOURS

3/10/26, 17/10/26,
14/11/26, 12/12/26,
9/1/27

9:00am–10:00am



EVERY WEDNESDAY

16/9/26–9/12/26

9:30am–10:30am



EVERY MORNING

6/1/27–14/1/27

9:30am–10:30am



*We look forward
to welcoming you!*



Chambersbury Primary School is a place where each individual is cared for deeply, valued and respected – Where everyone in the school community has the opportunity to learn in an environment full of excitement and fun, so they can grow up to be “change-makers” and “assets” in the community, society and world they live in.

**BOOK
YOUR TOUR**



We can't wait to meet you! ♥



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Key Events:

Friday 25th September — National Teaching Assistants Day

Monday 28th September — Therapeutic Thinking Parent Session

Monday 5th October — Year 6 Height and Weight

Friday 9th October — Sports Ambassador training

Monday 19th October — School photos

Wednesday 21st October — Year 5 Forest School begins

Wednesday 21st October — Teacher/Parent Consultations

Thursday 22nd October — Teacher/Parent Consultations

Monday 26th October — Half term

Monday 2nd November — INSET day

Wednesday 4th November — Year 6 School trip (Children at War)

Wednesday 11th November — Year 3 & Year 4 School trip (Chiltern Open Air Museum)

Friday 13th November — Year 4 Class assembly

Saturday 14th November — Hemel Lights switch on

Friday 20th November — Year 3 Class assembly

Thursday 25th November — Year 5 School trip (Hampton Court Palace)

Friday 27th November — INSET day

Monday 30th November — Occasional Day (school closed)

Tuesday 1st December — Year 5 & 6 Bikeability

Friday 4th December — Year 2 Class assembly

Wednesday 9th December — Year 4 Forest school begins

Thursday 10th December — Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 10th December — Christmas craft day

Friday 18th December — End of Term (School finishes at 13:30)

Red signifies new events/dates



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