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Working together to become change makers

7th February 2025

Hertfordshire Heroes Assembly

Earlier this year many children in UKS2 entered the 2024 Hertfordshire Heroes Christmas art competition. It was announced in December that Isla has won the Year 6 category and has been invited on a "day of adventure" hosted by Northwood Headquarters. Isla was chosen out of hundreds of entries which were all to an excellent standard. They were particularly impressed with Isla's attention to detail and her use of colour. To present Isla's certificate we were joined this week by the Commanding Officer of Northwood HQ Group Captain Neil Towers and County Council Chairman Councillor Terry Douris.



Abbotts Hill

Our partnership with Abbotts Hill school has been going from strength to strength to mutually benefit both schools. This week, in recognition of completing work consistently well, our Year 6 pupils were given the extra responsibility of representing our school as they visited Abbotts Hill to watch the senior production of Daisy Pulls it Off - this was a wonderful opportunity for our pupils to relax, enjoy another schools production and get some tips for their own production later in the year.

Recognition level 3	Work completed consistently well/effort above and beyond in learning/consistent values shown	Celebration certificate in Friday Assembly <u>Extra responsibilities around class/school</u> Gold coin	"Brilliant use of long division in maths" "Excellent artwork in the style of X"	All Staff
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ATTENDANCE 2024-2025—WHOLE YEAR

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54.7%	92.8%	89.5	94%	93.6%	93.8%	92.4%	88.7%	91.7%

A message from the PATCH

Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale

We are holding another doughnut sale, on Friday 14th February after school on the playground from 3:15pm. Doughnuts will cost £1 each. Please be aware we can only accept cash payments on the day – or you can pre order boxes of multiples of 6 doughnuts via Arbor.

Volunteers

We are always looking for more volunteers to help with PATCH, if you are able to help set up, sell doughnuts and clear up. You would be needed from about 2:50pm and should be finished by 3:30pm. If you would be able to help please email admin@chambersbury.herts.sch.uk by Tuesday 11th February.

P.A.T.CH Race Night Friday 28th February 2025

This is an adults only event we will be running at school on Friday 28th February.

Doors will open at 7pm with races starting at 7:30pm. Tickets will cost £10 per person, which will include an entry fee and 1 bet per race. Please see the separate letter for further information.

MORE Parent Workshops

Our range of parent workshops has extended even further! Miss Alford will be running workshops for Nursery and Reception parents to provide you with information on how we teach at Chambersbury Primary School. These sessions are for both children and parents to attend together.

Make sure you put the following dates in your diary!

Dough gym 12th February, 2:00-3:00pm
Writing 4th March, 2:00-3:00pm
Maths 8th May, 2:00-3:00pm

Uniform Policy — Hair

We have updated our uniform policy so that it now reflects the requirement for pupils with long hair to have it tied back/up for health and safety reasons and for pupils with long fringes to have them out of their eyes so that they are able to see their books easily and concentrate on their learning.

Jewellery

No jewellery should be worn except for ear studs. Hooped or dangling earrings must not be worn.

Dogs on Site

Having been a dog owner myself I understand the joy and companionship they bring, however unless they are a service dog they cannot come onto the school site. I recognise that the signage stating this is a little faded and we will be updating it in due course.

New Sports Coach

Mr B has joined us as our new sports coach — he has over 7 years of coaching experience and specialises in everything from gymnastics to tennis!

Police

This week the police visited to host a coffee morning and deliver workshops to Year 5 and 6 pupils on knife crime and child exploitation.

Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and local residents who attended the coffee morning, it is by working together that we will be able to support our young people to make the right choices and to benefit society.

Key Events

Friday 7th February — NSPCC's Number day/ cake sale

Wednesday 12th February — NED assembly

Wednesday 12th February — Dough Gym parent workshop

Monday 10th & Thursday 13th February — Teacher/Parent consultations

Friday 14th February— P.A.T.CH Doughnut sale

Friday 28th February — P.A.T.CH Race night

Tuesday 4th March — EYFS Writing parent workshop

Monday 10th March — Swimming lessons begin

Friday 15th March — Comic Relief/Red Nose Day

Thursday 20th March — Year 1 Hudnall Park Trip

Monday 31st March — iRock Concert

Friday 4th April — P.A.T.CH Creative Hair Day

Thursday 8th May — EYFS Maths parent workshop

Red signifies new events/dates

Well done Year 6!

Our Year 6 pupils have been studying very hard and striving for success — with the changes we have implemented since September and the relentless drive for the best academic outcomes our pupils have made excellent progress. In reading we have had a 10% increase in the number of children meeting the end of year standard for Year 6 and in Maths this has increased by 30% - and we still have a term before the SATs!

Next half term we have arranged for our Year 6's to have their Writing moderated by Hertfordshire to ensure that our judgements are accurate and reliable.

Our Year 6's are on their way to becoming 'Change Makers' who have the skills to impact the world in a positive manner.

