

CHAMBERS BURY NEWS

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Working together to become change makers

6th December 2024

Donations

Last week, I appealed to our community for the donation of an exercise bike for pupils to use for movement breaks on bad weather days - and as always our community has delivered! Thank you to Mrs Piper who has donated a fantastic exercise bike!

Our school council have also been doing a great job of collecting Christmas jumpers to give to those pupils that don't have one to wear for Christmas jumper day. If you would like one of these jumpers for your child, they can be picked-up after school from outside the Year 5/6 classrooms - they are free of charge.

We have also received the kind donation of an inflatable snowman by Mrs Webb, which our pupils will absolutely love this festive period. As well as this Mrs Sheldon has donated a beautiful Christmas tree to our school which pupils will be decorating next week!

What an exceptionally kind and caring community we have! Thank you!

Staff movement

As I continue to evaluate the staffing levels in the school and where to deploy them most effectively, there has been some movement of teaching assistants. Obviously, I am unable to update you of unplanned or unavoidable staff movement, but where I can, I will.

Miss Jones is now working all week in Year 4, with Mrs Chibba moving to Year 3 full time. Mr Timberlake has joined Year 5. Miss Fawkes will now be teaching in many year groups to release teachers for planning and preparation time.

ATTENDANCE 2024-2025—WHOLE YEAR

Nur	Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole
62.0%	94.3%	90.9%	95.2%	94.8%	93.9%	93.9%	86.9%	92.5%

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

Owls

This term our house captains ran an art competition for the new house Owls - The judging of these was extremely robust with House Captains completing the shortlisting and then a governor, our art leader, our PSHE leader and myself making the final decision - the decision has taken a very long time due to voting for 2 houses being tied! The winners were announced on Tuesday by the house captains and can be seen at the end of this newsletter.

It was great to see so many pupils taking part in this competition and just goes to show that our pupils are comfortable to take risks in their learning.

Coffee Mornings

Our coffee mornings are proving a real success, and I am personally finding having these informal opportunities to hear your views very helpful in developing the schools processes and procedures. It is as a direct result of the feedback from these coffee mornings that we now add more calendar dates to the newsletter and highlight the new dates in red.

This week, our coffee morning was attended by the visiting coach who was delivering mental health workshops to Years 3-6 but as well as this we spoke about homework, rewards/recognition, wraparound care and even Harry Potter!

If you are able to, please drop into these sessions to meet other parents and find out more about our school.

The following coffee mornings are currently planned:

Tuesday 14th January — Mental health Support team

Monday 27th January — Times Tables and tea with Mrs Stevens

Monday 3rd February — Police Knife crime

Thursday 13th February — Decorum Family Services

Of course, everyone is invited to attend every coffee morning, however, I would particularly suggest that parents of pupils in Year 3 & 4 attend the Times Tables coffee morning as at the end of Year 4 pupils sit the Multiplication Times Tables Check.

Year 5 & 6 parents, please do your best to attend the knife crime coffee morning, as following this the police will be working with your children in regards to knife crime and child exploitation and you may want to see the materials they are using so that you can follow it up at home.

Winter Wonderland Disco

The discos on Wednesday were absolutely wonderful with pupils and staff demonstrating superb dance moves! Without the PATCH and support of other parents, we wouldn't be able to host events such as this, so thank you all for getting involved and helping out!

If you are holding a party and want our DJ's contact details please contact the school office and we will pass them on.

Andrew Masters Assembly

On Wednesday, we had Andrew Masters visit to lead an assembly on advent. It was an interactive assembly with guitar playing and acting!

Assemblies are an important part of our curriculum and an opportunity for our whole school to get together.

Key Events

Monday 9th December — iRock Concert

Tuesday 10th December — Nativity production

Wednesday 11th December — Nativity production

Thursday 12th December — Christmas jumper day & Christmas dinner day

Thursday 19th December — Panto

Friday 20th December — end of term

Monday 6th January — Spring term begins

Friday 10th January — School tour

Saturday 11th January — PATCH Working party

Tuesday 14th January — Mental Health Support Team coffee morning

Monday 20th January—Year 5/6 bikeability starts

Monday 27th January — Times Tables and tea with Mrs Stevens

Monday 3rd February — Police Knife crime coffee morning

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

Thursday 13th February — Decorum Family Services coffee morning

Monday 10th March — Swimming lessons begin

Friday 15th March — Comic Relief/Red Nose Day

Red signifies new events/dates

EYFS & Year 1 Nativity Production

Next week we have our EYFS and Year 1 Nativity production—having seen the dress rehearsal, I can tell you, you are in for a real festive treat!

Tickets have been given out today, please ensure you bring these along with you on the correct day. If you have forgotten to order tickets, please speak to the office nicely, as soon as possible.

During the production you will be allowed to take photographs/videos, but please be mindful to avoid taking photos/videos of pupils other than your own. Photographs and videos are lovely for memories, but please do not post these on social media platforms.

New Tour Date For Prospective Parents

Due to the popularity of our school and how well attended our school tours have been, we have added a new tour date: Friday 10th January at 14:30 - please call the school office to book on.

Chambersbury Primary School



**Prospective parents please contact
the school office to book a tour**



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Email: admin@chambersbury.herts.sch.uk

Dacorum Family Services

This week I met with Dacorum Family Services to discuss the support and advice they can give to parents — on the following page is a Surgery Request Form that parents can use to request a free, 30 minute appointment with a School Family Worker. If you need help completing the form, please get in touch with Mrs Ahluwalia via the school office.

Football Match

Our football team travelled to Limewalk for a match earlier in the week. The skills on display were astounding, with drag backs, stepovers or Cruyff turns wowing the crowd!

Both teams had equal possession throughout the game, and the score was stuck at 1-1 for much of the game but just as the sun was dipping behind the horizon Limewalk managed to snatch a late winner.

Surgery Request Form

Please use the form below to request a 30-minute surgery appointment with one of our School Family Workers.



Date of Request: _____

School Information

School Name: _____

School Tel: _____

Referrer Name: _____

Email: _____

Child Information:

Child Name: _____

DOB: _____

Parent/Carer Information:

Parent Name: _____

Tel: _____

Reason for request:

We can offer support and advice on the following. Please highlight below:

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| 1. Child's Behaviour | 5. Housing |
| 2. Family Issues | 6. Parenting advice and courses |
| 3. SEND concerns | 7. Other – please specify |
| 4. Finances | |

Please give more details below:

Office Use Only

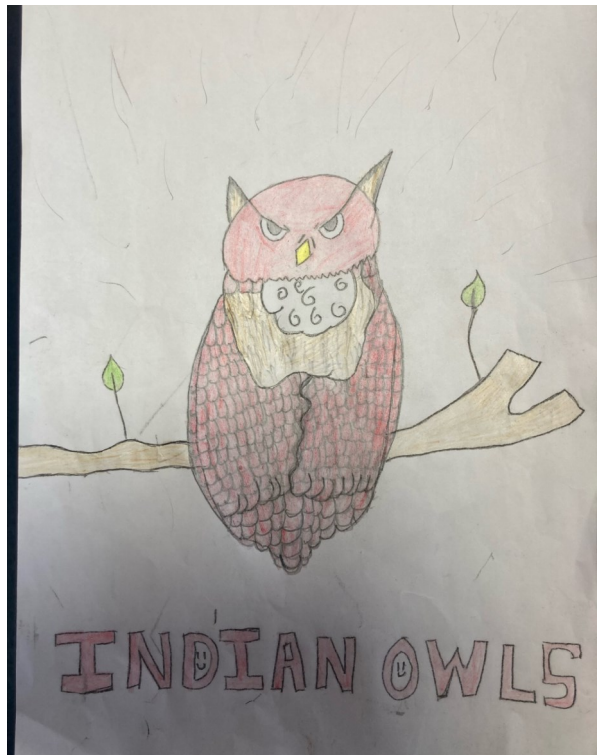
Allocations Meeting Date

Allocated Worker:

Discussion Points:

Actions:

Please return form to inethercoat@hobbshilwood.herts.sch.uk



Bitesize Parenting for parents in Herts

Following this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/bitesize-parenting-for-parents-in-herts-3853843> will take you to the Supporting Links workshop collection which are a series of one hour, online workshops for all parents and carers of children of all ages living in Hertfordshire. Each session offers insights and practical solutions for a typical parenting challenge.

I would recommend all parents or carers join the 'How can my child learn to manage their feelings?' session on Wednesday 26th February at 12:30.

Events in this collection



How do I get my child to eat better? (730)

Thu, Jan 16 • 10:00 AM GMT

Free



What is going on in my teenager's head? (721)

Thu, Jan 23 • 7:00 PM GMT

Free



Why does my child behave like that? (722)

Mon, Jan 27 • 1:30 PM GMT

Free



Why does my child give up so easily? (723)

Wed, Feb 5 • 12:30 PM GMT

Free



How do I get my child to listen to me? (724)

Mon, Feb 10 • 7:00 PM GMT

Free



How can my child learn to manage their feelings? (725)

Wed, Feb 26 • 12:30 PM GMT

Free



Why can't my child make good decisions? (726)

Thu, Mar 6 • 7:00 PM GMT

Free



Is it possible to praise my child too much? (727)

Mon, Mar 10 • 1:30 PM GMT

Free



How do I talk to my teen/preteen about...? (728)

Mon, Mar 17 • 7:00 PM GMT

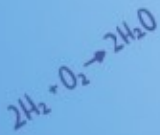
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Club Day: Monday

Start Date: 13/01/25

Year Groups: 1 -6

End Date: 10/02/25

Club Time: 15:15- 16:15

Skip Dates: None

Club Cost: £55 / 5 wks

Topics: Mad Materials, Green Science, Snowflake Science, Forensics Fun, Slime!



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STORM BASKETBALL - NEXT HOME GAME

NEXT HOME GAME

HEMEL STORM

Vs

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM ROCKETS

Saturday 7th December
7pm tip off

Hemel Hempstead Leisure Centre, HP1 1JS

To guarantee entry purchase tickets via the Fanbase app or scan QR code.

Visit www.stormbasketball.net for more details.

Tickets may be purchased on the night subject to availability.



Family*: £30 Mini Family: £15**

Adult: £10.50 u18: £6.00

Concessions: £8.00

** family ticket maximum 2 adults*

*** mini family 1 adult & 1 u18*



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EVERY SUNDAY

9:00 AM	RECEPTION & YEAR 1
10:00 AM	YEAR 2 & YEAR 3
11:00 AM	YEAR 4 & YEAR 5
12:00 PM	YEAR 6 & YEAR 7
	ALL SESSION 55 MINUTES

**FIND A VENUE
NEAR YOU!**

SCAN ME



**ALL PLAYER
LEVELS
WELCOME!**

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Happy Hoops