

# CHAMBERS BURY NEWS

[WWW.CHAMBERSBURY.HERTS.SCH.UK](http://www.chambersbury.herts.sch.uk)



*Working together to become change makers*

24th October 2024

As the first half term of the year comes to an end, I would like to take a moment to thank everyone who has welcomed and supported me so far: the pupils, staff, parents/carers, governing body, local residents and external agencies. This half term has been extremely busy, I have needed to find my feet and learn the school routines and your patience with this is much appreciated. It is an absolute pleasure to work **together** with you all!

There have been many highlights so far this academic year, a few I've listed below:

Our new house captains were democratically elected and have been involved in the decision making in the school including hiring an additional sports coach to facilitate lunchtime football and changes to our PE arrangements.

PATCH have held meetings and their first fundraising event of the year, which raised £197! This funding goes directly to providing all of the wonderful opportunities, experiences and equipment the pupils enjoy.

Our enhanced curriculum offer has gone from strength to strength with our current offer including clubs for boxing, football, science, art, reading, multi sports and construction as well as Irock! (and there is more to come!)

We have increased our staffing numbers with Mrs Wills joining the Year 5 & 6 teams to help our pupils achieve the highest possible standards.

We have had a range of assemblies with focus on zones of regulation, harvest, behaviour expectations, science and we even had a rock concert!

Reception pupils have completed the Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA) and our Year 4's the Official, Unofficial, Multiplication Timestable Check (OUMTC). Year 6 have begun exploring what it is like to sit a SATs paper and have been learning exam techniques regarding timing and navigating the papers.

School trips have begun and others booked for later in the year.

For me though, the biggest highlight is the way in which the vast majority of our pupils treat and care for each other and the staff here. We have had 8 Pupils join our school this term, plus our reception and nursery cohort, and all have been welcomed with open arms and fully included in learning and social activities. It is this love that permeates through our school culture that makes being the headteacher of Chambersbury the best job in the world.

Stay safe and enjoy your half term!

## ATTENDANCE 2024-2025—WHOLE YEAR

Nur	Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole
64.8%	95.1%	91.8%	96.2%	95.4%	93.6%	94.7%	87.6%	93.1%

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

## Teacher Parent Consultations

It was great to see some many of you at last nights Teacher Parent Consultations and I hope to see the rest of you tomorrow morning.

Investing your time in working together with the school is vital to help your child progress; if you value education, they will value education.

All of the teachers at Chambersbury are highly trained and skilled in teaching and learning and teacher parent consultations in a great opportunity for them not only to inform you of how you child is performing but also to give you a few hints and tips on how you can support them further outside of school.

There will be another round of Teacher Parents Consultations held in the spring term as well as an end of year report in the summer to keep you updated throughout the year of how your children are doing.

## PATCH

PATCH held a fantastic doughnut sale and Halloween swap shop last Friday. PATCH is run by Mrs Stevens and volunteers who give up their own time to help benefit the school and pupils that attend. In these hard financial times we appreciate them even more than ever!

The doughnut sale raised a huge £197.

If you want to get involved with PATCH please get in touch with Mrs Stevens or look out for the teams link to the next meeting, which is being held at 7:30pm on Wednesday 6th November

## Boxing workshop

On Wednesday our Year 4 and 5 classes were treated to a boxing workshop with visitors from Warriors ABC.

Physically they learnt the fundamental movements needed to navigate a ring and how to breath efficiently. But equally as important, they learnt the discipline of staying calm and staying in control of their body's and minds.

Perhaps we may have just inspired the next heavy weight champion of the world or Olympic gold medallist!

## Trick or Treating/Greenwich Mean Time

One of the many reasons I am aware that pupils love coming to Chambersbury more then anything, is often, on a Friday, after hours, a group of them return to the school gate and look eagerly through excited for the next school week ahead. This really is our hope — to make school irresistible and unmissable!

Whilst this is absolutely lovely (and in time we will explore options of weekend lettings and holiday camps), it has reminded me to mention, 'Be safe, be seen.' As the clocks fall back and Greenwich Mean Time begins, the evenings become even darker and it is very difficult for drivers to see young children with face coverings and hoods up popping out between cars. If your child is going out of an evening, please ensure at a minimum they are wearing a hi vis jacket, which can be found on Amazon for less than £5, and if they are on a bicycle please ensure their lights are fitted correctly and working. The same applies if you are taking them out trick or treating for Halloween, please hold their hands tightly. I want to see all 194 pupils return safely after the holidays.



## Harvest

A huge thank you for all of the incredible Harvest donations we have received this week. We have been so impressed by everyone's generosity and know these items will be hugely appreciated by both Dens and The Salvation Army.



## House Cup and Run Together Cup

Well done to all the children for working hard this half term. Lots of gold coins have been earned and over 4000 laps have been run in total. The standings for this half term are:

### Gold Coins

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Indian Owls (872)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Elf Owls (803)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Long-Legged Owls (790)
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Masked Owls (746)



### Run Together

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Long-Legged Owls (1134)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Masked Owls (1133)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Elf Owls (1050)
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Indian Owls (950)

## A Message From the House Captains

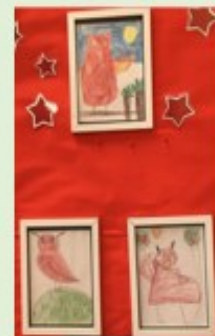
We want you to help create our new house point mascots. Over half term we need you to design a new owl to represent your house groups.

### Rules:

- \* they must be on a4 white paper
- \* they must be portrait
- \* they must fill the paper.
- \* they must represent your house group (make sure you use the right colour)

Please return them to you class teacher by the end of the first week back. They must have your name and class on the back! We will choose our favourite 3 from each house group and Mr Payne will then choose the final winner.

Here are the previous ones to give you some ideas...



Thank you Mrs Orsmond and Mrs Kirby in the school kitchen for the Halloween themed deserts that the children loved eating at lunchtime today.



# DACORUM 'COMMUNITY CLUB' OF THE YEAR 2022



## WARRIORS ABC

AFTER SCHOOL BOXING CLUB @  
CHAMBERSBURY SCHOOL

LEARN BOXING TECHNIQUES  
GET FIT & HEALTHY  
HAVE FUN  
DEVELOP DISCIPLINE & RESILIENCE  
IMPROVE SELF ESTEEM & CONFIDENCE

FRIDAYS 3.15-4.15PM  
START DATE: FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER  
END DATE: FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CLASSES EMAIL  
HEMELWARRIORSABC@GMAIL.COM

TO BOOK ON TO THE CLUB PLEASE EMAIL THE  
SCHOOL RECEPTION

1 The Heights, HP2 5NX  
www.WarriorsABC.com  
Hemelwarriorsabc@gmail.com  
07896420973

HEMEL WARRIORS ABC  
AFFILIATED WITH THE  
NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY  
'ENGLAND BOXING'



All coaches at Hemel Warriors ABC hold appropriate coaching qualifications & are registered with 'England boxing'. They are fully insured, hold up to date first aid and child protection & safeguarding qualifications and have been DBS checked.



See what we've been up to via  
our social media pages:  
Facebook - WarriorsABC  
Instagram - Warriors\_ABC



## **A SUPER COOL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB IS STARTING SOON AT YOUR SCHOOL!**

**1 hr weekly interactive science club full of exciting demonstrations and hands-on projects**

**Register here: <https://madsciencehb.classforkids.io>**



### **Chambersbury Primary School**

**Club Day: Monday**

**Start Date: 04/11/24**

**Club Time: 3:15-4:15pm**

**End Date: 02/12/24**

**Year Groups: 1-6**

**Skip Dates: None**

**Club Cost: £55**

**Topics: Epic Electricity, Mighty Microscopes, Dynamic DNA, Super Structures, Mad Machines and much more...**

**Need to reach us?**

**T: 01727824700 E: [info@madsciencehb.co.uk](mailto:info@madsciencehb.co.uk) W: [hertsbeds.madscience.org](http://hertsbeds.madscience.org)**

