

CHAMBERSBURY NEWS

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Working together to become change makers

11th October 2024

This week has been extremely busy with exciting educational experiences taking place across the school — on top of all the usual unmissable lessons that take place here each week, our rock bands have begun their jamming sessions and we had a Scientist visit to teach the children about acids and alkalize, combustion and reactions!

Despite the road works on Chambersbury Lane, our pupils are still arriving on time and prepared for school - this is vital for them in order to feel calm and settled in class and reduce their anxiety: being late gives anyone that horrible, uncomfortable embarrassed feeling which isn't how we want our pupils to start their day.

I understand that it can be frustrating when lines of communication between school and home aren't clear and parents are unsure who to talk to about given issues, therefore I have attached a guide as to who you can contact to discuss various aspects of school life and the usual timeframe in which you can expect a response.

We wish to welcome Mrs Wills to our Year 6 team, she will be teaching the class on a Monday and Friday. This will reduce the number of different adults teaching the class over the course of the week and help with consistency. Mrs Wills already knows the school as she teaches in Year 5 on a Wednesday.

We have set our school improvement priorities for the year which will enable our school to provide the education our pupils need for the future. Our priorities this year are:

- Embed and extend the work we have completed in our foundation subjects and science.
- Develop writing across the curriculum.
- To be on track to complete the OPAL project in October 2025.

ATTENDANCE 2024-2025—WHOLE YEAR

Nur	Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole
67.3%	94.9%	92.2%	96.3%	95.8%	94.0%	95.1%	87.7%	93.4%

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



Mad Science

We were lucky enough to have a visit from Mad Sciences' Lightning Lauren on Thursday; all pupils gathered in the hall to observe and take part in Science experiments which included physical and chemical reactions!

Science is an amazing subject that creates curious and questioning pupils that will no doubt go on to be the change makers of the future.

We have arranged for Mad Science to run a club at our school after half term for pupils in Years 1 - 6, see the flyer attached to learn how to sign up.

Boxing Club

There are still some spaces available in our Key Stage 2 boxing club, which starts after half term. Boxing teaches discipline, control, skill and fitness which are attributes that will benefit all children to be happy and healthy.



The few remaining spaces can be booked via Arbor.

P.A.T.CH

Parents And Teachers of CHambersbury



You will have seen on the PATCH newsletter that we will not be holding a Halloween disco this year due to the timing not fitting in with the school calendar. Instead we will be hosting a 'Winter Wonderland' disco later in the term. There is a PATCH planning meeting on Wednesday 6th November for the Winter Wonderland Disco at 7:30pm so if you have any ideas or want to be involved please log in and join us.

PATCH will be selling doughnuts after school on Friday 18th October. Doughnuts will cost just £1 each. Please be aware that we can only accept cash at the current time and you may wish to bring a container to take your doughnuts safely home in as we do not have paper bags.

Halloween Costume Swap Shop

As part of our work to encourage sustainability we are offering a Halloween Costume 'swap shop.' If you have a costume that your child has grown out of, or is no longer wanted, please donate it from Monday. These will then be available for someone else to take and make use of.

Governor Vacancies

We have a number of vacancies on our governing body which we are looking to fill.

These vacancies are for Co-opted and Partnership governors which make them unsuitable for parents with pupils attending the school. However, if you know someone that has experience in governance, recruitment, HR, finance, education or are simply keen to give back to society and would like to volunteer, please let them know that we would like to hear from them. They can e-mail the school office: admin@chambersbury.herts.sch.uk to arrange a discussion.

Parent Teacher Consultations

We are looking forward to seeing all parents attending the teacher parent consultations being held on Wednesday 23rd October and Friday 25th October. These professional discussions will inform you about how your child is progressing and advise you on how to support them at home; They are also an opportunity for you to share anything that maybe impacting your child that we should be aware of.

Bookings can be made on Arbor and will open from 9am on Monday 14th October.

Wear something bright at night!

A number of our older pupils are learning how to be independent and walk, scoot or cycle to school which is a real life skill.

I would like to request that all parents, of pupils that make their own way to school, speak to their children about road safety, aid them in wearing appropriate, visible clothing and ensuring that they know the safest route to take.

Parental Behaviour

It is only by working **together** that we can improve behaviour and ensure that all pupils feel safe and welcome at school, and I need parents to support with this.

As per our parental code of conduct, *'parents are expected to set a good example to children at all times, showing them how to get along with all members of the school and the wider community.'* Please continue to support us by encouraging pupils to behave in a manner that demonstrates our school values: **TOGETHER, HONESTY, PATIENCE, FORGIVENESS, KINDNESS & CARING.**

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

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'ENGLAND BOXING'



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

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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 W: hertsbeds.madscience.org



Communication

Class Teacher

Please either speak to the class teacher at the end of the school day or via e-mail through the school office. Quick messages can be passed to the class teacher at the start of the day, but they are unavailable for longer discussions as they are greeting and setting pupils.

Possible queries	What to expect
Curriculum coverage and progress	A conversation at the end of the school day or a meeting arranged for a mutually convenient time
Friendship disputes	
Consequences for behaviour	
Initial conversations regarding a pupils barrier to learning	Class teacher to liaise with the SENDco/Inclusion Team where appropriate and a meeting or phone call planned

Inclusion Team

Please email the school office, who will forward your message on.

Possible queries	What to expect
Concerns over barriers to learning after initial conversation with the class teacher	You will receive a response within 3 working days.

Senior Leaders

Please email or call the school office, who will forward your message on to the relevant member of the senior leadership team.

Possible queries	What to expect
Ongoing, persistent behaviour concerns	An e-mail or phone call within 48 working hours.
Concerns regarding teaching and learning	

Headteacher

Please email or call Mr Payne via the school office.

Possible queries	What to expect
Safeguarding concerns regarding a pupil or member of staff	A e-mail or phone call from a Designated Safeguarding Leader within 24 hours.
Attendance absence requests	You will receive a response within 3 working days.
Concerns regarding bullying or prejudicial behaviours	An e-mail or phone call within 48 working hours.

