

Friday 27 November 2025
Headteacher: Miss J Wellbelove

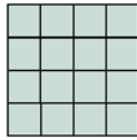


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The winter serenade was a great success and great opportunity for our pupils to showcase their dancing and musical skills. Using the stage, new sound system and lighting to enhance the experience. Thank you to Mrs Donley who hosted this event.

Math's—Holly Class

In Year 4 Math's, we learnt how to find the area of shapes. Area is the space inside a closed shape and is measured in square units such as cm^2 , m^2 , or km^2 . We start by counting the squares inside shapes, then use length $\times$ width to calculate the area when the squares are not shown. For example, this shape has 16 squares, or $4 \times 4 = 16 \text{ cm}^2$.



Class News—Silver Birch

In Silver Birch, we have been writing our own cinquain poems about the war. We had a visit from Mrs Macey to consolidate our learning on Everest survival and exploration. In music we have been writing song lyrics to create our own 12 days of 'South Hill'. Finally, this week we have started our learning on fractions.



Travel plan

Last week year 5 had a road safety visit. The children were spoken to about phone use near roads when walking on the pavement or crossing a road. We time trialed on a pretend course and saw how distracting our phones can be - making us unsafe and even slowing down our journey.



Class Assembly—Hazel

This week, Hazel class performed their class assembly and transported the audience back to WW2. They showcased work from across the curriculum such as English, science, art and history.



Winter Serenade

Our annual winter serenade filled the hall with music as KS2 children performed a mix of tunes on various instruments. From beginners to experienced players, they all impressed the audience, and parents thoroughly enjoyed the event. Well done everyone, keep practicing and enjoying your musical journey!



Street Dance Performance

Well done to all KS1 and KS2 pupils in Tuesday's Street Dance show. Three lively routines and great outfits made it a joy to watch. The Street Dance club has spaces, if you enjoyed the show, why not join next time?



The Power of Us Project – Wellbeing Mark

Our pupils have been working hard to design posters and badges to promote the Power of Us initiative throughout the school. In the next couple of weeks of our school term they will be moving on to the next exciting stage: planning a whole-school project that will make a positive difference to others



School Closed Friday 28.11.25 (Tomorrow)

The school will be closed to all students and staff tomorrow for an occasional day. School will resume at 8.40am on Monday 1 December.



Coffee Morning—Wednesday 03.12.25

Join us for coffee and a chat with our School Pastoral team and Gade Family Services. They can offer advice, SEND support, well-being information, computer/printer access, and help with 2026 reception applications. Open to all parents and family members—young children welcome. 8:40–9:40am.



Seasonal Flu Vaccination—Final Session—04.12.25

The final seasonal flu vaccination day will take place on Thursday 4 December. Only children whose parents/carers have given consent and who have not received a vaccination this year will be able to be vaccinated. There will not be another session available at the school after this date. [Vaccination UK](http://www.vaccination.uk) [Bedfordshire Immunisation](http://www.bedfordshire.immunisation.nhs.uk) Last chance to consent.



Toy Shop Swap—Friday 5 December

We are looking for toys, games and books of very good quality that can be regifted. Please bring your toy donations to the KS1 door on Friday 5 December at 8.50am. Parents will have the opportunity to choose a toy or gift for their child on Friday 12 December. Please help to make this event a success.



Christmas Dinner 10.12.25

The option to choose Christmas dinner is now on the School Gateway app. Please make sure you make your choice early. The kitchen will not be offering a jacket potato option on this day.



Reception 2026—Applications Now Open

Applications can now be made via the link here <http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions> The deadline for applications is 15 January 2026.



Your sincerely,
Miss J Wellbelove
Headteacher



Sport, Health & Wellbeing

Boys Football Tournament 20.11.25

On Thursday 20th November the boys Lions attended a regional qualifying tournament at Hemel town football stadium. After 5 matches the boys came out successful in all matches only conceding one goal all afternoon. They will now be representing Hemel town in February. A fantastic achievement by all involved. The players were:- Anthony, Ben, Bertie, Damir, Josh, Max, Oliver and Teddy.



Girls Football Match 21.11.25

On Friday 2 November the girls played their first football league game against St Thomas More. The result was a 1-0 loss to South Hill. The girls played well for their first time with Meila as player of the match.



Daily Mile Week

Last week, pupils took part in Daily Mile Week to boost social skills, teamwork, and fitness. Well done to all pupils and staff for their efforts. Year groups competed head-to-head (Y1 vs Y2, Y3 vs Y4, Y5 vs Y6), with everyone trying hard and enjoying the challenge. The winners were:- Wrens, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6. It's not about the winning but the taking part that counts!



Attendance



Attendance matters

Every student, every day.
School Target is 97%

Attendance



Weekly Attendance

Wrens 98.7%



Whole school

95.7%



House Points

Gade	4400
Lea	3400
Colne	2725
Bulborne	3725

Attachments

- ◆ Herts Music Service—The Snowman Performance
- ◆ Next Thing Christmas camp
- ◆ School Disco and Film Night

[Please follow the link here to see all attachments via our school website](#)

November 2025

Friday 28th

- ◆ Occasional Day—school closed to staff and pupils
- ◆ No Y4 swimming

Saturday 29th

- ◆ Boxmoor Lights switch on—choir to attend—3.45pm by the post box

December 2025

Monday 1st

- ◆ Y2 Christmas Performance dress rehearsal

Tuesday 2nd

- ◆ Y2 Production 2pm in school hall—younger siblings welcome
- ◆ Boys' Football—away—St Albert the Great School 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 3rd

- ◆ Coffee Morning 8.40-9.40am in computer suite. All welcome
- ◆ Girls Football Match away—Bovingdon
- ◆ Y2 Production 6pm, - Parents welcome—NO younger siblings please

Thursday 4th

- ◆ Flu Vaccinations—Final session

Friday 5th

- ◆ Y6 Class Trip—RAF Hendon
- ◆ Toy Shop Swap—Bring your toy donations to the KS1 door 8.40-9am

Monday 8th

- ◆ EYFS Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsals

Tuesday 9th

- ◆ EYFS Production, 9.15am Younger siblings welcome

Wednesday 10th

- ◆ EYFS Production 9.15am NO Younger siblings please
- ◆ Christmas Jumper Day—all students
- ◆ Christmas dinner day
- ◆ EYFS—tree decoration walk 1.30pm
- ◆ Christmas film night –4.30pm finish (Reception—Y6)