



Dear Parents

I hope that everyone enjoyed some family time over Easter and had a few sweet treats to celebrate together. The children have all settled back into school and are really enjoying the milder spring weather at playtime and lunchtime.

The summer term is always a busy one, with our 'big' educational visits and some special experiences planned in school like Pyjamarama Day and Beach Day which are both highlights of the school year. This newsletter has some updates and reminders about things that are happening in school very soon.

Nursery places in September

From September, we will be offering 30 hour places to three and four year olds who are eligible for funding. Our timings will also be changing to align more closely with the school day.

Morning session: 9.00am -12pm

Lunch: 12.00pm – 1pm

Afternoon session: 1pm-3pm

15 hour places will still be available for eligible two, three and four year olds but these will be mornings only.

Children who are currently attending Nursery will be given priority for 30 hour places.

Application forms are available from the office and the **deadline for applications is Friday 8th May.**

Year 1 phonics screening check, talk to parents – Monday 20th April at 9.00am

In June, all Year 1 children in England and Wales take the Department for Education Phonics Screening Check. This is a statutory requirement that all schools have to fulfil. We would therefore like to invite Year 1 parents to a brief information meeting to explain the process. The meeting will last approximately 30 minutes.

Relationships and Health Education meeting – Tuesday 21st April 9.00 - 9.30am

Relationships and Health Education (RHE) is a subject that all schools have to teach from Year 1 onwards. However, please note that we don't teach Sex Education in Year 1 and 2. New statutory requirements for schools were published by the Department for Education in July 2025 and schools must introduce these in September 2027.

These can be found here:

[Relationships and sex education \(RSE\) and health education - GOV.UK](#)

Whenever schools revise their RHE curriculum they should share this with parents and therefore I am holding a meeting for parents about this. Please come along to find out what we teach, how we teach it, what is changing in September and to have your questions answered.

Author visit – Wednesday 20th May

We are looking forward to having a visit from the author Lucy Rowland on Wednesday 20th May. This is a particularly exciting visit because all of Year 1 are currently using her book 'The Knight Who Said No' as a stimulus for writing as part of our 'Storytelling Schools' work. Look out for further details to follow.

Sunhats and sunscreen

Children spend a lot of time outside at school and we need to make sure that they are safe and protected in the sun as temperatures rise. Please could all children have a named sunhat and a named bottle of high-factor sunscreen in school for the summer term. We will be teaching the children how to put sunscreen on by themselves.

OPAL

Thank you for everyone who has offered to donate pallets for OPAL. We now have plenty for the structures to be made, and we don't have any space for any more at present. We'll reach out again when we need some more.

Aylesbury United Community Day - Saturday 25th April from 2.00 pm

The annual Aylesbury United Community Day will take place on Saturday, 25th April 2026, held in conjunction with Aylesbury United's home fixture against Hertford Town at The Meadow, Chesham.

Event Details:

Date: Saturday, 25th April 2026

Time: Activities start beforehand from 2pm; Match kick-off is at 3:00 PM

Location: The Meadow, Chesham (Home of Aylesbury United FC)

Entry: FREE with registration and a food or care item donation to Youth Concern

Donations Needed: Youth Concern is currently seeking non-perishable food and toiletries for their care parcels to give to young people in need. Please check best before dates as can only accept food in date.

You can register for free tickets and view a full list of requested donation items by scanning the QR code on the event flyer (see attached to the email).

JOB ADVERTS – April 2026 **CLEANER – Permanent**

We are looking for

- Someone who works hard and is able to clean to a high standard
- Someone who can maintain confidentiality
- Someone who is able to work as part of a team
- Someone who can follow instructions to keep themselves and others safe
- Someone who can work without direct supervision
- Someone who has a sense of humour!

Pay: £5,318 per annum

10 hours per week, term time only

3.30-5.30 pm (with some flexibility of start time between 3.30 and 4.00 pm)

Please contact the school office for an application form.

KEY DATES - 2025-26	
April	
Monday 20 th	Year 1 - Phonics Screening talk to parents 9.00-9.30 am
Tuesday 21 st	Relationships and Health Education – Talk with parents 9.00-9.30 am
Monday 27 th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDCo, Mrs Gerhardt, 9.00 -10.00 am
Tuesday 28 th	Year 2 trip to Woburn Safari Park Coaches return at 4.00 pm
May	
Wednesday 6 th	Year 1 trip to Warwick Castle Coaches return at 4.15 pm
Monday 11 th	Year 2 SATs week 1
Friday 15 th	Pyjamarama Day
Monday 18 th	Year 2 SATs week 2
Wednesday 20 th	Visit from author Lucy Rowland for Reception-Year 2
June	
Monday 8 th	Year 1 Phonics check / Year 2 recheck week
Monday 15 th	Meeting for new parents (starting school in September 2026)
Monday 22 nd	Open Evening
Monday 29 th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDco, Mrs Gerhardt, 9.00 -10.00 am – Year 2 parents only
July	
Friday 3 rd	Beach Day
Saturday 4 th	FoTIS Summer Social
Tuesday 7 th	Move up day 1
Wednesday 8 th	Move up day 2
Monday 13 th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDco, Mrs Gerhardt, 9.00 -10.00 am
Tuesday 14 th	Year 2 Leavers' Assembly, 9.15 am
Thursday 16 th	Sports Day (am)

TERM DATES 2025-26		
	Open on morning of	Close at end of afternoon of
Summer Term	Monday 13 th April 2026	Friday 22 nd May 2026
	Tuesday 2 nd June 2026	Wednesday 22 nd July 2026
Staff Training Days	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025 Friday 24 th October 2025 Monday 3 rd November 2025 Monday 5 th January 2026 Monday 1 st June 2026	
Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May 2026 (school closed)	

TERM DATES 2026-27		
	Open on morning of	Close at end of afternoon of
Autumn Term	Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Friday 23 rd October 2026
	Tuesday 3 rd November 2026	Friday 18 th December 2026
Spring Term	Tuesday 5 th January 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027
	Monday 22 nd February 2027	Thursday 25 th March 2027
Summer Term	Monday 12 th April 2027	Thursday 27 th May 2027
	Monday 7 th June 2027	Wednesday 21 st July 2027
Staff Training Days	Tuesday 1 st September 2026 Wednesday 2 nd September 2026 Monday 2 nd November 2026 Monday 4 th January 2027 Friday 28 th May 2027	
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May 2027 (school closed)	