



Newsletter 12

2 December 2021

Dear Parents

Happy Hanukkah to all our families who have been celebrating this week; we hope you had an enjoyable time. Just a reminder that school is closed tomorrow, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December; I wish you an enjoyable long weekend.

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARD

Our target is to be at **96%** attendance throughout the year. Covid or isolation absences are **NOT** included in this data.



This week	
Week beg 22 Nov 21	<b>94.76%</b>
Best week to date	Week beginning 13 September 2021 ~ <b>97.22%</b>

### ATTENDANCE

Week beginning 29 November:

CLASS	RED <95%	AMBER 95%	GREEN 96+%
BADGER			<b>97.7</b>
FOX	<b>94.6</b>		
HERON		<b>95.0</b>	
HEDGEHOG			<b>98.3</b>
KINGFISHER			<b>98.7</b>
ROBIN			<b>98.0</b>
OWL	<b>91.4</b>		
RABBIT	<b>91.0</b>		
WOODPECKER	<b>85.5</b>		
SQUIRREL	<b>94.4</b>		

Well done to **Kingfisher Class**

### GOLDEN BOOK

This week the following children shared their learning with me:

<b>Maysa</b>	<b>Kingfisher Class</b>	
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### ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE SCHOOL

We like to celebrate the achievements and awards of our children outside of school too! If your child has earned an award in an event, please send in a copy of the certificate and we can mention them in our weekly newsletters.

This week we celebrated the success of:

Pupil	Class	Achievement
<i>Cora</i>	<i>Robin</i>	<i>Ishin Ryu Ju Jitsu ~ White / Yellow Belt</i>
<i>Sophie</i>	<i>Hedgehog</i>	<i>Learn to Swim ~ Stage 1</i>
<i>Zakariya</i>	<i>Badger</i>	<i>first stripe in Jiu-Jitsu</i>

### **St LUKE CHURCH Service**

Just a note to say that 2 adults per family are welcome to the Church service please wear face coverings. We look forward to seeing as many families there as possible.

### **YEAR 3 JUNIOR SCHOOL APPLICATIONS**

Just a reminder that the closing date for applications for a place at the Junior School closes on the 15<sup>th</sup> January. You will have received information on how to apply.

### **HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ADMISSIONS**

Hertfordshire County Council is running a consultation on the proposed admissions arrangements for the school year 2023/24 and is seeking responses from parent/carers, schools and community groups.

The proposed changes are:

1. To amend the definition and explanation for home address, where two applications are received for the same child
2. To amend the oversubscription criteria for Pirton Primary School
3. To reduce the published admission number (PAN) at five community primary schools

The consultation period runs until 12 December 2021. For more information and to respond online, please visit [School Admission Arrangements for 2023-24](#)

### **YEAR 2: ANGIE'S TENNIS CLUB**

Booking has now opened for the Spring Term sessions, for more information please check our website: [Spring Term Tennis Club](#)

### **HERTFORDSHIRE MUSIC SERVICE**

Herts Music Service would like to canvass parent views about how to improve the music they offer. Please see the attached flyer to share your views.

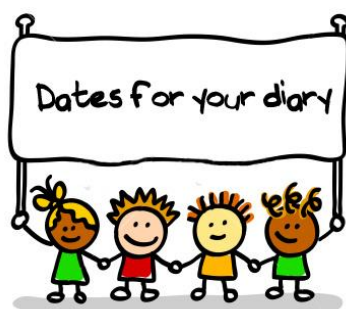
### **GOVERNOR MEETING UPDATE**

The Full Governing Board met for the last time this calendar year on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November and covered the following:

- Reflected on the current term and all that has been achieved since the last FGB in Sept. and also looked at the final versions of the SDP for 20/21 (School Development Plan) and SEF (Self-Evaluation Summary)
- Governor visits had taken place with all the subject leaders in the last few weeks. Reports were also received from link governors on Pupil Premium, Sports Premium and Safeguarding
- Reviewed recent parent survey responses and agreed topics and responses to look at in more detail and address with action plans where required
- Received a report from the Governor Strategy Group and Vision Development
- Received a report from the school's Autumn Herts Improvement Partner (HIP) visit which was overall positive, and provided some key takeaways from the Head Teacher and staff
- Received a report from the School Business Manager's Financial Monitoring and Premises Development Report
- Reviewed the Pupil Premium strategy statement and agreed to have this completed ahead of the End of December DfE deadline
- The Governing Board briefly discussed the annual Governor Day in March '22. Governors look forward to deep dive sessions with teachers, pupils and staff

With best wishes

Charlotte Cooper  
Headteacher



### Autumn term 2021

Date	What's Happening?	Where?	Time?
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	SCHOOL CLOSED OCCASIONAL DAY		
Wk beg 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Parties		
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Pantomime		
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas jumper and dinner day		
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Autumn term ends for Nursery		
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Autumn term ends 1:15pm		

### Spring term 2021

Date	What's Happening?	Where?	Time?
28-30 <sup>th</sup> January	RSPB Birdwatch		
30 <sup>th</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup> February	National Story Telling Week		
Tue 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day		
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Open Afternoon	Classrooms	2:30pm (TBC)
Thur 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	World Book Day		
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Head's Up Meeting	Hall	9am
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Learning Together Morning	Classrooms	9:15am
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Heron Sharing Assembly	Hall	9am
Week Beg 14 <sup>th</sup> March	STEM Focus Week		
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Open Afternoon	Classrooms	2:30pm
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> March	KS1 Reports out to Parents		
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Governor Day		
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> March	World Poetry Day		
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	EYFS Consultations	Virtual	Appointment
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	EYFS Consultations	Virtual	Appointment
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Rabbit Sharing Assembly	Hall	9am
Wk beg 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Anti Bullying Week		
Tues 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Spring Extravaganza	Hall	2:15pm
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Spring Extravaganza	Hall	9:15am
Thur 31 <sup>st</sup> March	End of Spring Term for for Nursery Children		

Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Badger Sharing Assembly	Hall	9am
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> April	End of Term ~ 1:15pm		



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These dates are the same as the junior school.

#### AUTUMN 2021

Friday 3 December	SCHOOL CLOSED ~ OCCASIONAL DAY (Queen's Jubilee)
Monday 20 December	Autumn Term ends NURSERY
Tuesday 21 December	Autumn term ends 1:15pm

#### SPRING 2022

Wednesday 5 January	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Thursday 6 January	Spring term starts
Mon 14 Feb – Fri 18 Feb	Half term
Thursday 31 March	Spring Term ends NURSERY
Friday 1 April	Spring term ends 1:15pm

#### SUMMER 2022

Tuesday 19 April	Summer term starts
Mon 30 May – 3 June	Half term
Friday 1 July	Occasional Day ~ School closed to pupils
Monday 4 July	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Thursday 21 July	Summer Term ends NURSERY
Friday 22 July	End of summer term 1:15pm



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#### AUTUMN 2022

Thursday 1 September	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Friday 2 September	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Monday 5 September	Autumn term starts
Mon 24 Oct – Fri 28 Oct	Half term
Friday 2 December	Occasional Day ~ School closed to pupils
Wednesday 21 December	Autumn term ends 1:15pm

#### SPRING 2023

Thursday 5 January	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Friday 6 January	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Monday 9 January	Spring term starts
Mon 13 Feb – Fri 17 Feb	Half term
Friday 31 March	Spring term ends 1:15pm

#### SUMMER 2023

Monday 17 April	Summer term starts
Mon 29 May – 2 June	Half term
Friday 30 June	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Friday 21 July	End of summer term 1:15pm