



F&B NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term issue 4

Friday 19th December 2025

Dear Parents, Carers, and Pupils,

As we reach the end of this festive term, I want to take a moment to celebrate everything we have accomplished together. It has been a truly delightful few months, and I am so proud of all our pupils for their hard work, enthusiasm, and creativity.

The children's recent performances have been a real highlight. From the **wonderful acting and singing** in our Nativity and Christmas productions to the **Choir's marvellous performance**, the talent and confidence on display have been incredible. Each child has shone brightly, and it has been a pleasure to watch their efforts come to life.

A heartfelt thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support. Whether you helped with costumes, attended performances, or encouraged your children from home, your involvement makes such a difference and is always deeply appreciated.

As we head into the Christmas holidays, I wish you all a peaceful, restful, and joyful break, filled with warmth and festive cheer. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the New Year, refreshed and ready for another exciting term.

Wishing you all a **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy New Year!**

Warmest wishes,

Mr Wells

Governor News!

Each term, a member of the governing body will tell you about what they have done so far this year. You can find more information about the governing board [here](#).

Name: Role: How long have you been a governor?	Zoe Callan Chair of Governors 5 years
When were you last in the school and what were you doing?	Wednesday 3 rd December. Mrs Brennan was kind enough to show me around the school to look at the maths provision. We saw some lessons and spoke to some year 2 pupils. The pupils spoke articulately and enthusiastically about maths and showed me some of the resources they use to help with their calculations.
What did you learn during your visit?	All pupils are encouraged to participate in maths conversations and do so eagerly! Maths is made real for the children by using tangible resources like beads and blocks.
What challenges do you see for the future?	Maths is always has a strong focus in the school and will continue to be a priority. In our next visit Mrs Brennan will talk me through the data she regularly analyses and whether there are any areas for improvement.
When is your next visit to the school?	Wednesday 17 th December I will be serving the children their Christmas lunch wearing a festive jumper and possibly a sparkly Christmas headband!



Unfortunately, this year the week of remembrance week the weather was very wet and rainy so we could not make our usual poppy art installation in the Year 1 learning garden. This year the installation was made in the school hall. Please see a selection of poppies made by all year groups - Black tabard with painted poppies by nursery. Poppies on sticks by Year 1, and poppy wreaths by Reception and Year 2. All year groups took part in a moment of reflection in an age appropriate way. Year 2 also took two poppy wreaths they made to Readings for their remembrance ceremony.



This term Year ones and Year twos were busy creating pieces of art to be entered into the 300 celebration of Rivers Orchard Art competition. The year 1 and year 2 teachers with Miss Ancient selected 2 children from each class' final pieces to be entered into the competition.



The award ceremony took place in the town council chamber and Miss Ancient went to represent F and B. The children who's pieces had been entered were also invited to come along too. It was a lovely evening where Elizabeth Waugh who wrote a book about the Orchard spoke along with a local artist who was the judge.

F and B were awarded a certificate for their contributions, two books about the Orchard and a small monetary donation.

It was so lovely to see the children attend and they were all so proud to have their work displayed in an exhibition.

Choir



A huge thank you to Mrs Curtis for leading the fantastic performance of the Year 2 Choir! They sang with confidence and full voice to a large audience compiling of parents and their peers. It was lovely to hear but also see them sign many of the songs!



Church Service



Thank you to Reverend Sarah for welcoming us into St Mary's Church for a Christmas Carol Singing Service.

The children sang a number of Christmas Songs and the Choir performed a beautiful rendition of Starry Night



Special Visitor



We had Santa come to visit the entire school today! It was the first whole school assembly with Nursery and Reception joining Year 1 and 2: they sat beautifully!

Children sang songs with Santa and also had the chance to ask Santa questions about Christmas and his cheeky elves.

Reenie-Pearl's amazing and perfectly set buns over this term inspired the Nursery and office team to bun up their hair (or wig, for those of us who are hair-challenged) ready for our Christmas lunch.

APPLY FOR SCHOOL - RECEPTION & YEAR 3 - 2026

If your child is currently in Nursery or Year 2, it is time to apply for your Reception/ Year 3 place!

- Applications open 03/11/25 for people living in Hertfordshire
- Applications open 10/11/25 for people living in Essex (eg. Sheering Mill lane, Ash Groves, Luxford Place)
- Applications close 15/01/26
- Allocation day 16/04/26
- Herts apply via <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions/primary-junior-and-middle-schools/primary-junior-and-middle-school-places>
- Essex apply via <https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/admissions-september-2026>
- To find out if we are your nearest school <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions/research-a-school/find-a-school.aspx#>



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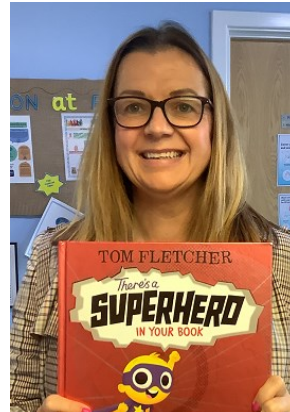


Secret Reader



"I love reading to Jellyfish class. I always enjoy seeing Ayisha's face when I read the class a story"

Martina W



"It was fantastic and all of the class listened so well and joined in all the actions. Thank you so much for the wonderful opportunity"

Hannah C



"It was such a pleasure to read to Seahorse class. The children were great listeners and had some fabulous questions at the end."

Kelly W



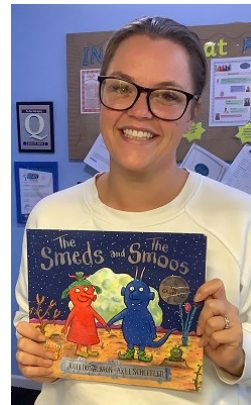
"Seal class listened so well! And Lola was really excited to see me. Thank you for having me, Seal class!"

Katie B



"It was such a lovely experience; the class sat really beautifully. They all seemed to enjoy the story and asked lots of great questions."

Kelly H



"The children were all very familiar with the book and helped me out. Thank you for having me, Stanley and your friends in Oyster class."

Kerri W



"It was a great experience as normal and the kids loved the cheeky story- their laughs and smiles were amazing! Thanks for having me."

Sarah C



"I loved reading The Twits to Jellyfish class! I think they enjoyed the story but might not want wormy spaghetti for dinner!"

Nicola C



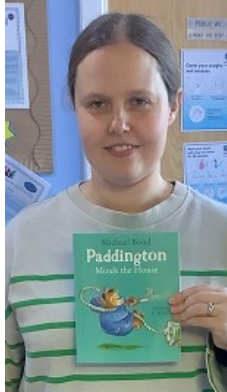
"I really enjoyed reading to Octopus class and hearing all about their favourite planets at the end."

Kim H



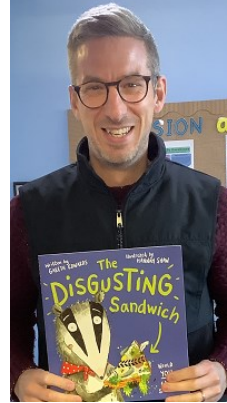
"It was lovely to come into Oyster class today. The children listen so nicely and it was great to see Betsy in her class. Thank you for having me."

Claire T



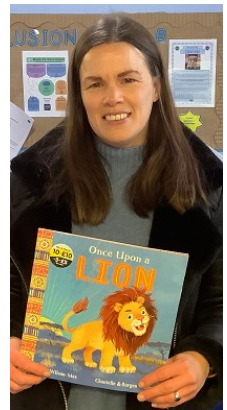
"Seal class sat and listened beautifully. It was a joy to read to them today."

Laura J



"I had a great time reading to Oyster class and hope they enjoyed the story as much as I did."

Tim H



"It was magical visiting Jellyfish for Secret Reader. The children all sat very nicely and listened to the story. They were great at helping with the lion roars. Thanks for having me, Jellyfish."

Kat M



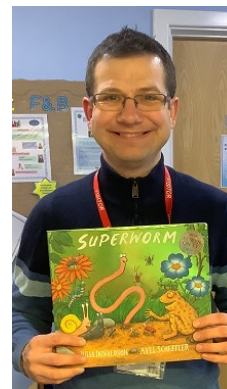
"It's always a pleasure to read to the children. Bento was surprised to see me. The children laughed and had lots of fun. Thank you for this wonderful initiative, F&B!"

Samia P



"It was lovely reading to them all, especially seeing Stan's face when he saw me."

Gemma T



"Seahorse class listened really attentively and joined in with some of the chant. Jonah was very surprised to see me and his face lit up at one of his favourite stories. Hearing what the children liked about the story was lovely"

Bruce N



"Incredible experience and the kids listened. Also good to know they shared what they liked about the book."

Sandra H-A



"Dolphin class listened so well today and I really enjoyed reading to them. Thank you so much!"

Lauren H



"So much fun! Hopefully the children enjoyed it. It's so hard to read upside down!"

Laura H-H



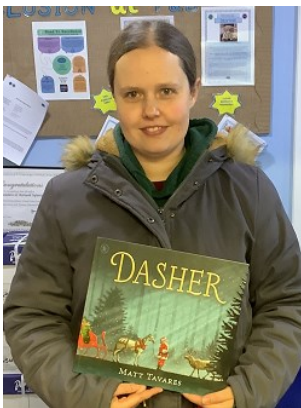
"We had a great time exploring the story! We had lots of smiles and giggles!"

Emily O'B



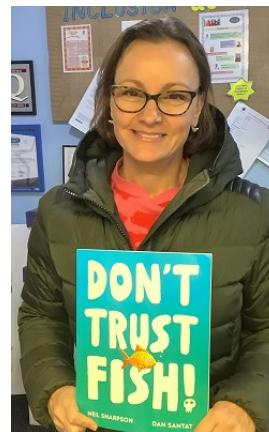
"Thank you so much for this wonderful experience. Isabella's face when she first saw me was priceless and the children were so well behaved!"

Victoria W



"It was a delight to read to Jellyfish class today. They listened attentively and this story was a lovely way to start Christmas."

Laura J



"Very fun - but we won't trust fish!"

Rosie D



"It was a lovely experience - Devon looked very surprised to see her Nanny sitting on the blue chair. All of the children were very well behaved. Thank you."

Julie W



"All the children were happy with the story and were very keen to share their best bits. I enjoyed the experience and will encourage other parents to volunteer."

Mohammad A

Dates for the Diary

Christmas Break – 19 th December to 6th January	
5th January 2026	Inset Day – School Closed
6th January 2026	Pupils return to school
12th January 2026	Reception Screening
28th January	PTA Film Night—Details coming soon
28th January	Little Recyclers
6th February	PTA Dress Down Day—Jazzy Jars—info to follow

Dear Parents, Carers, and Pupils,

We are delighted to inform you that F&B has been selected for the customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will commence in store from the first week in October 2025 until mid-January 2026 for your project:

Multi-Sensory Room
Sawbridgeworth

As we welcome more children with special educational needs and disabilities into our school, we want to create a multi-sensory room that will help them with their development.

The project with the highest number of votes across your region will receive up to £1,500 (or the amount that was requested, up to this value), the second placed project up to £1,000 (or the amount that was requested, up to this value), and the third placed project £500. To re-iterate, if you are first in the vote, you will receive the amount that you requested in your application (up to £1,500 for first and up to £1000 for second).

Please see below a list of stores taking part in the voting on our project:

2634 Harlow Church Langley Superstore Superstore CM17 9TE
2639 Harlow Edinburgh Way Superstore Superstore CM20 2TG
5728 Harlow Harvey Centre Express Express CM20 1XW

Dexter



here was plenty of reading over the weekend with Eden's new book!

Saturday, they attended a friend from Jellyfish class birthday party followed by an afternoon at Nanny's.

Sunday was a Christmas photo shoot which Dexter got to be part of. Followed by a trip to a garden centre in Crews Hill to start the festive period.



Thank you for the opportunity for Eden to have Dexter for the weekend. I'm sure he will be needing some rest as it was for sure a busy one!

Dexter



Sophia was extremely excited to be picked to take Dexter home this weekend and we are very proud of her.

Firstly, Sophia took Dexter to meet her Nan's new puppy, Cooper. They played games together and had lots of cuddles. Later that day, Dexter helped us to put our Christmas tree up. He enjoyed helping Sophia to organise where to put the ornaments and he even helped put the star on top of tree!

Dexter also helped Sophia and her brother make brownies. Together, they added the ingredients and decorated the brownies which were delicious. To end our weekend, we all went to a restaurant for a lovely roast dinner which Dexter thoroughly enjoyed.

Dexter

Sienna was very proud to have Dexter visit for the weekend. He started off with a trip to Sienna's LAMDA drama exam class on Friday after school, where he helped Sienna learn her poem. On Saturday he attended dance classes where he practiced his ballet, tap and modern. Sunday was a quieter day making mince pies ready for Christmas before heading out for a family meal.

Thank you, Sienna loved having Dexter visit.







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- Belts
- Fashion accessories
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- Jewellery
- Perfumes

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- Single shoes
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- Bric-a-brac & electrical items
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- Meet and chat with others in a similar situation
- Bring any questions or topics you'd like to discuss
- Professionals in attendance including Early Years, Outreach, Family Support, Behaviour Support, DSPL, SPACE and ADD Vance

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Wednesday 28th January 2026

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£5 per child. Ticket includes a drink and a substantial snack

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