Flourish for the Future

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NEWSLETTER

This Week's Highlights at St Mary's, Welham Green

From the Head of School

A very warm welcome back to everyone after the half-term break. I hope you all had a well-earned rest and enjoyed some quality time together.

It has been wonderful to see everyone back in school, and our attendance has been fantastic this week, with Antarctica achieving an amazing 100% attendance! Well done, Antarctica, and let's keep up the great effort across the school.

The children have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in our Bollywood dancing and Diwali workshop, learning about different cultures and traditions in such a fun and engaging way.

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA for their extremely generous donation, which has funded some fantastic new equipment for our playground. We are very grateful for your continued support.

Our Poppy Appeal will continue until Wednesday next week, so there is still time for children to bring in donations.

Thank you also to everyone who has already contributed towards our Early Years garden project; your generosity is very much appreciated. If anyone else is able to donate, we would be extremely grateful for any support.

Thank you, as always, for your continued kindness and support.

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes,
Mrs Egerton

Our Value this half term is...

Hope

Stars of the Week

	23.10.2026	6.11.2026
Australia	Whole Class	Bonnie & Zimal
Europe 1	Tate & Martin	Piper & Ella
Europe 2	Bevin & Ronnie	Henry & Ronnie
Antarctica	Dylan & Rosie	William & Meghan
The Americas	N/A	Ewa & Ramatoulie
Africa	N/A	Lyla & Toby
Asia	N/A	Diana & Chloe

100%

The winners of Attendance Ted are **Antarctica!**



Coming Up...

Friday 13th November	Children in Need
Wednesday 18th November	Flu Vaccinations - 2nd Visit
Wednesday 18th November	PTA Christmas Wreath Making (6:30pm)
Friday 4th December	Elfridges
Friday 4th December	Christmas Fayre

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO...

If has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school after the half term break. This week in Drawing Club, we have been reading 'Room on the Broom' and created our own witch characters and designed our own magical brooms. The children are beginning to write sounds and words to represent their drawings, and we are so proud of their amazing Phonics! We enjoyed creating potions like the witch, with different materials such as coloured rice, sequins, googly eyes and acorns. We are making wands today using natural materials and will see what spells we can conjure up! We enjoyed creating Bonfire Night Art and learning about the traditions and why we celebrate on the 5th of November with fireworks. We have also had great fun in our outdoor area and enjoyed getting muddy in the construction area. We are busy developing our Early Years garden and can't wait to show you all very soon!

It has been another exciting week in Europe Class! In Maths, we have been exploring the number 10, developing our understanding of how to partition it in different ways, as well as practising our counting and grouping skills. In English, we have stepped into the shoes of explorers, discovering different parts of the world and learning about the fascinating habitats found there. We have used our imaginations to think about where we might travel and what we might discover if we were explorers. We then used interesting nouns and descriptive adjectives to create imaginative phrases for our own poems, inspired by the sentence starter, 'If I was an explorer…'. We have loved sharing our ideas and letting our imaginations take us on exciting adventures!

It has been another fantastic week in Year 3! In Maths, we have been developing our understanding of column addition and subtraction, practising how to set out our calculations carefully and use different strategies to solve problems. In Geography, we have been exploring the different layers of the Earth and learning what lies beneath our feet. In Science, we have been investigating forces, focusing on pushes, pulls and contact forces. We put our learning into action by carrying out some exciting hands-on experiments to test how different forces work and observe their effects. We have had a busy week full of curiosity, discovery and practical learning!

This week, Year 4 had a fantastic and busy week of learning! We began our cricket sessions with Coach Matt and enjoyed developing our batting, bowling and fielding skills. In English, we completed our sequels to Frindleswylde and are excited to send our finished stories to the authors, Lauren and Natalia O'Hara. We also learnt about the importance of Diwali, exploring how it is celebrated around the world. To finish the week, we took part in an energetic Bhangra dance workshop, where everyone showed great enthusiasm and enjoyed learning new dance moves. Well done, Year 4!

Welcome back! We hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful half-term break. It has been lovely to welcome the children back, refreshed and ready for another exciting half-term. As our newsletters will now be fortnightly, this edition covers our learning before half-term and our first week back.

Maths: We completed addition and subtraction, focusing on multi-step problems and comparing calculations. We then began multiplication and division, exploring multiples of 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7, common multiples and square numbers.

English and Reading: We continued our work on Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief, planning and writing our own versions of the battle with the three Furies. Next week, we will edit and publish our narratives. We have also explored Greek myths and the characters and stories that inspired Rick Riordan.

History: We celebrated the end of our Viking unit with a fantastic Viking Day! The children thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and showed wonderful enthusiasm. Thank you to the parents who kindly supported us and helped make the day so memorable.

Computing: We completed and shared our quizzes using 2Quiz. We have now begun learning how to format documents using Google Docs.

PE: We enjoyed our first cricket session on Thursday, developing our skills and showing great enthusiasm.

Home Learning: Before half-term, children received their login details and completed placement tests for Reading Eggs, Fast Phonics and Mathseeds. Please encourage daily use:

- Reading Eggs: 10 minutes
- Fast Phonics: 10 minutes
- Mathseeds: 10 minutes

Our subscription expires in February, so please make the most of these valuable resources while they are available.

Our five words and phrases for the fortnight: Viking runes, common multiples, square numbers, Greek mythology and document formatting.

Please ask your child to explain these to you to help them recall and share their learning.

We look forward to another productive and enjoyable half-term. Thank you for your continued support.

Have a wonderful weekend!

It has been another fantastic week in Year 6 with Mr Watson! In English, we have been exploring our creative writing skills by composing a descriptive poem about a fox, using imaginative language and carefully chosen vocabulary to bring our ideas to life. In Maths, we have been developing our understanding of fractions, learning how to work with them and apply our knowledge to a range of mathematical problems. In Geography, we have been investigating population, exploring where people live around the world and considering the factors that influence population distribution. We have enjoyed another busy and productive week, showing enthusiasm, curiosity and a positive attitude towards our learning!









🌍🧤 Lily and Daisy have been busy helping to keep their local area clean! On a Friday afternoon in October, they carried out a litter pick near Lily's home and created a colourful collage using some of the rubbish they collected. 🎨♻️ They then joined forces again on the Saturday to litter pick around Welham Green, collecting an impressive two full black bags of rubbish! 🗑️👏 Well done to both girls for their fantastic community spirit and for helping to make a difference! 💚🌟