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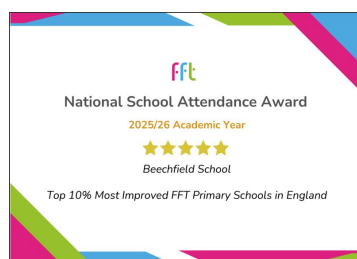
## NEWSLETTER 16.10.26

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been working hard across the school. We have met with all of the teachers this half term to talk about all of the children's learning in their classes.

A little reminder about how important it is for parents to listen to their children read every day and sign their reading records. Children that are reading daily are making great progress. We also want our parents to support their children to learn their times tables - see below for what times tables your child should be practising at home. We know that parents and school working together leads to better outcomes and thank you in advance for your help.

We want to remind you about our focus on attendance. Last year 2025/6 we were recognised for our improvement - please see the certificate below. Well done to everyone in our school community for the collaborative effort with this. Please look on Arbor for your child's attendance. Anyone with attendance below 90% is classed as persistently absent. We understand children may be ill at times but we are aiming for 97% over the year as a minimum. As always, if you need any help or support with attendance or punctuality please contact our Pastoral Team who will be very happy to help in any way they can.



### Times Tables

- Year 1 - counting forwards and backwards within 20 counting in ones
- Year 2 - counting in 10s to 100 and then practising 2s, 5s and 10s etc in any order.
- Year 3 - recap 2, 5 and 10. Starting to learn 4 x table in order and rapid recall in any order.
- Year 4 - recap of 2, 5, 10 and 4s in order and rapid recall in any order.
- Year 5 and 6 - recap 6, 7, 8 division and multiplication

Year 6 Willow had a great trip to Sky Studios and today Year 1 and 2 have taken part in some drama workshops. Please talk with your children about the impact these trips have had on their learning.

Wishing you all a safe weekend.

Mrs Jackson and Mrs Fuller



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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19th October: Y6 Willow class visit to Houses of Parliament

20th October: Harvest Celebration 9.30am at Christchurch

21st October: Times Tables Workshop 9-9.30am in the hall for Y4 parents

22nd October: Y6 Walnut visit to Sky Studios

26th to 30th October: Half Term

2nd November: INSET day - school closed

3rd November Return to school

5th November: Individual Student Photos

9th November: SEND Parent Coffee Morning at 9am. Please come to the school office.

11th November: Parents Evening 3.30pm - 6.30pm in person

12th November: Parents Evening 3.30pm - 6.30pm online

Term dates for 26-27 can be found on our website [Term Dates 26-27](#)

## COATS AND JUMPERS!

Please can we remind parents and carers to make sure their children's coats and jumpers have their name in, so in case it gets mislaid, it can be returned to its owner.

## SCOOTERS AND BIKES!

For the safety of the whole school community, please remember that bikes, scooters and skateboards **must not be ridden on school site**. There have been a number of near misses this week on the path leading to the Woodland path exit.

## CELEBRATION OF WORKING HARD AND LOVING LEARNING



After 3.5 years Yasaman has finally graduated from her UCMAS with a result of 92% - fabulous effort!

Alyssa came in First Place for Rock and Roll at her dance competition - Amazing, Well Done!





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## SEND NEWS

Please see the DSPL9 newsletter sent out separately today.

The Herts Parent Carer Involvement (HCPI) exists to represent the views of the parents and carers of children and young people with SEND in Hertfordshire. We are an independent parent-led organisation, who work alongside Hertfordshire health, education and social care services, to help focus the decision makers on improving services and outcomes for children and young people with SEND.

We have recently launched our 2026 annual survey, to find out more about what families in Hertfordshire are experiencing. We want to know what works and what doesn't, so that we can make sure we are concentrating on the areas that matter most to the families you support.

The survey is **open until 1st November** and the information we gain is vital. It will help us prioritise our work and importantly, give us more data to back up what we are saying to the education, health and social care systems that we engage with.

The more families who take part in our survey, the more powerful our voices become. We don't just want to hear from families with EHCPs or children with a formal diagnosis; we want to know how the system works for all families, at all stages in the process.

To complete the survey, families need to click here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HPCISurvey2026>

There is also a shorter version for families who would find that easier. You can [find the shorter survey here](#).

We are offering anyone who completes the survey the chance to enter a prize draw to win a Simmons gift voucher.

Kate Hudson

Operations Lead

Herts Parent Carer Involvement (HPCI)



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## **E-SAFETY - AGE LIMITS FOR SOCIAL MEDIA**

Age limits on social media are designed to help protect children and young people online. Many platforms require users to be at least 13 years old, although rules vary between platforms and countries. These age limits aim to reduce exposure to harmful content, cyberbullying and online risks. Parents, carers and schools can help by encouraging responsible online behaviour, open conversations and safe internet use. Working together, we can help young people enjoy the benefits of technology while staying safe online. For further information and advice, families can visit the NSPCC website to learn more about social media age limits and online safety.

[https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/?utm\\_source=chatgpt.com](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/?utm_source=chatgpt.com)

## **ACTIVITY CLUBS AFTER HALF TERM**

Information about the after school activity clubs running after half term were sent out this week, with booking available from 6pm on 15/10/26. Please book and pay through the Arbor App.

Monday (from 9/11 to 7/12): Y3 & Y4 Hockey

Tuesday (from 3/11 to 8/12): Y1 & Y2 Football

Wednesday (from 4/11 to 9/11): Y3 & Y4 Football

Thursday (from 5/11 to 10/12): Y3 to Y6 inclusive: Girls Football

Friday (from 6/11 to 11/12): Y5 and Y6 Football

## **ECO WARRIORS**

Our Eco Warriors group will be pledging and sharing with the whole school.

### **Pledge for the month:**

- We think before we throw away
- We will use less and reuse more
- We will care for our planet
- Small actions. Big difference!

## **HERONS U7s FOOTBALL TEAM**

We are a local, close-knit, inclusive grassroots team. We welcome boys and girls of all abilities, no previous experience is needed, and our focus is entirely on everyone getting out on the pitch, making friends, and having fun. Please see the poster being sent out with this newsletter for more information.