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Friday 11th September 2026



Diary Dates

Wk beg 14th September :

Meet the teacher meetings

Mon 14th September:

Reception children and parents shared lunch 11.15

Fri 25th September:

Coffee morning with Mrs Collier

Mon 19th to Fri 23rd October

Year 6 at residential at Hilltop

Mon 26th to Fri 30th October

Half term break

Mon 2nd November

Children return to school

Tues 3rd November

Reception 2027 parent tour

Mon 9th November

Parent Consultations

Wed 11th November

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Mon 16th November

Reception 2027 parent tour

Thurs 26th November

Reception 2027 parent tour



Message from Mrs Collier

THANK YOU

Firstly, I would like to say a huge thank you to the whole school community for welcoming me so warmly. I am so excited to be the Headteacher of this amazing school and am very much looking forward to working with you all.

Your children have been nothing short of amazing and have settled into their new classes brilliantly. I have been particularly impressed by their behaviour around the school and the positive attitude they are showing to their learning.

We have an exciting term ahead and this will be the place that you find out all that is going on so watch this space!

Let's celebrate!



Here are this week's stars.
Congratulations to them all!



PTA - We need you!

Our PTA has long been a vital part of the school, raising a huge amount of money for your children. I would like to say a huge thank you to the PTA members for their ongoing hard work and the amazing opportunities their fundraising has given the children. However, we need new members to join the team in order for it to continue to be successful. Please come and find out all about what it means to be part of the PTA during my coffee morning on Friday 25th September. We look forward to welcoming you!



Year 6 Secondary School Applications

Year 6 families should have received information from the school office as how to apply for secondary school.

Applications must be made by Saturday 31st October.

The local secondary schools have open evenings on the following dates:

The Bishop's Stortford High School: Thurs 17th September

The Herts and Essex School: Thurs 17th September

St Mary's Catholic School: Thurs 24th September

Forest Hall School: Thurs 24th September

Avanti Grange: Tours available on Tues 29th Sept, Fri 2nd & Mon 5th October @ 9am and 1.40pm

Birchwood High School:

Thurs 1st October

Leventhorpe School: Thurs 8th October

Around the school!

What an amazing week we have had in school!
Here are some of our highlights:

Clover class have settled in brilliantly to their new class!

Bluebell Class have settled in really well and have particularly enjoyed Dough Disco and painting self-portraits using paint and paper plates.

Primrose Class have had great fun writing to Terry the tortoise!

Daffodil class had a wonderful time with different art making materials exploring what happens on different coloured paper and when different media are layered!

Snowdrop class have been swimming for the first time. They showed respect to the swimming teachers and had lots of fun too!

Sunflower class were set a rainforest challenge in Geography using atlases to locate the world's rainforests. They did brilliantly!

Tulip Class have had a fantastic first week in Year 5, exploring kindness, creating their class charter and producing artwork inspired by Charlie Mackesy.

Daisy class began their 'Classifying Big and Small' topic by learning about Carl Linnaeus and his influential classification system. The children had great fun acting out disagreements between scientists!

