

# JENYNS FIRST SCHOOL AND NURSERY

## NEWSLETTER 26.09.2025

*Embracing Respect, Nurturing Growth, Inspiring Ambition*



### Autumn Term 2025

2/10/25—Old Man's Day—9:30am @ Fleece Lane

6/10/25—Parent Workshop—Writing—9-10am

10/10/25—Flu Vaccinations

15/10/25—Parent Conversations

20/10/25—24/10/25—Black History Week

22/10/25—FOJ Christmas Cards

22/10/25—Parent Conversations

24/10/25—Parent Stay and Read/ Sharing Assembly—9:00am

24/10/25—FOJ Halloween Disco 3:30pm-5:00pm

27/10/25—Half Term

10/11/25—14/11/25—Anti-bullying Week

10/11/25—Remembrance Day

21/11/25—Children in Need

27/11/25—Glitter Afternoon

8/12/25—Whole School Pantomime in the hall

9/12/25—Ash Class Winter Performance

12/12/25—Birch and Chestnut Festive Extravaganza

15/12/25—FOJ Christmas Fair 3:30pm-4:30pm

18/12/25—Rocksteady Concert to parents (2:30pm)

You can also keep up-to-date by regularly viewing the school calendar on the school website.

### Headteacher message:

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you so much to everyone who attended our Harvest Festival this morning as well as those who walked to and from the church with us. It was lovely to see so many of our adults including parents, grandparents, family friends, school governors and wider members of the community. The children did so well sharing their work with such confidence.

Whilst thinking about confidence, I was blown away by how many of our pupils put themselves forward for School Council and House Captains this week. So many of our Year 1s and 2s showed such perseverance and resilience in sharing to the class why they wanted to be a part of the School Council. You can find out the names of our School Council and House Captain Representatives on page 2 of the newsletter.



Also this week, Jenyns hosted the first Rib Valley Head's Meeting of the year. We welcomed 7 local Head's who were very impressed with the pupil's behaviour, the learning environment and engagement of learning. One of the issues I wanted to address with the group was our stand on the widely publicised issue of Smartphones and as a group of First and Middle Schools, we have all committed to promoting a Smartphone Free Childhood. More information is provided in the attached letter and a meeting will be planned for parents to discuss this initiative after half term.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Many Thanks,

Mr Sadler

### Thank you for your Blue Tesco Tokens!

Thank you to all parents/carers who have been collecting the Blue Tokens. We had a huge amount handed in to us throughout the week. I have placed them within the container at Bishops Stortford and I think we may have just edged past our competitors -either way, all three campaigns will secure some funding. I look forward to sharing with you how much we raised later on in the term.



### Piano Lessons

Piano lessons are taking place on Monday mornings this term.

Please see the flyer on page 4 for more information.



### Little Recyclers—Wednesday 15th October

We have another Little Recyclers collection on Wednesday 9th July. Please can you begin gathering any unwanted items listed on the flyer on page 6. Please also share with family and friends as this all raises money for the school.



### School Council Representatives

Thank you once again for everyone who put themselves forward for School Council. Our reps for this year are:

Year 1 = Oscar  
Year 2 = Ella  
Year 3 = Emeya  
Year 4 = Jaxon



Our first meeting will be discussing the design for the new climbing frame as well as carrying out a pupil wellbeing survey.

### Do you have any spare dressing up costumes?

The children in Ash Class love imaginative play, and we're looking to update some of the costumes on our rail. If you have any spare costumes that you no longer need, we would be so grateful for your donations. Your support will help spark creativity and make playtime even more fun for the children.

Mrs Baxter and Mrs Smith



### Attendance Matters

Congratulations to Chestnut Class who won the attendance trophy this week. Please find the attendance figures for this week below:

1st Chestnut Class – 99.5%

2nd Birch Class – 97.5%

3rd Ash Class – 94.2%

### House Captains

Thank you once again for everyone who put themselves forward for House Captain. We had our first House Assembly of the year on Monday where all house members held a vote. Our Captains and Vice Captains for this year are:

<u>Red House</u>	<u>Yellow House</u>
Grace (C)	Betsy (C)
Ettie (VC)	Jax (VC)
<u>Green House</u>	<u>Blue House</u>
Emilia (C)	Molly (C)
Finn (VC)	Ben D (VC)

I will be meeting with the House Captains and Vice Captains later this term to discuss new names for our Houses.

### Old Man's Day Thursday 2nd October

Parents/Carers are welcome to walk to the Golden Fleece Pub with us and join us for the 'Sweeping of the Lane'. We will be registering children as normal before walking at 9:10am.

Alternatively, you can meet us outside the Golden Fleece Pub at 9:30am when the event begins.

Please remember your child will need to bring in a broom to sweep Fleece Lane.



## Ash Class

Ash class had a beautiful sunny morning for their trip to the allotment collecting conkers on the way past the big horse chestnut tree and apples from the orchard. At the allotment Mr Page dug up some potatoes and picked a squash and a courgette. The children asked lots of thoughtful questions and said a big thank you to Mr Page afterwards.

On Tuesday the children made Gruffalo footprint biscuits, weighing out ingredients, combining them and stirring their mixture. Then they enjoyed shaping their biscuits before adding pumpkin seed claws to them. Everyone was very excited to take home a pair of Gruffalo biscuits to enjoy at home.. Meanwhile the children have been acting out the Gruffalo story and cutting out and sequencing pictures of key parts of the book to support them as they retell the story in their own words.



This week our star of the week is Florence.

## Birch Class

In science this week, we have been investigating the question, "Do our feet get bigger as we get older?" We worked as a class to measure the ages of children and the sizes of their feet. We predicted and found that most of the time, our feet do get bigger as we get older, but sometimes we grow at different speeds.



In PE we worked as a team to pass the hoop round the circle without letting go of each other's hands.



In Maths, we have been continuing to practice our understanding of numbers below 20 and finding number bonds to 10.



This week our stars of the week are Olive and Rudie

## Chestnut Class

In PE, we have been exploring fundamental elements of PE. This week, we focussed on changing direction and speed. We did this through a variety of games, including removing Velcro tags from each other.



We were lucky enough to be joined by Mrs Hatcher, who read us a story in French and revisited the phonic sounds we have previously learnt.



In Science, we explored the similarities and differences between animals that are vertebrates and invertebrates - recognising their characteristics and animal group too.



This week our stars of the week are Molly and Erin.

# JENYNS

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## After-School Clubs

Monday: Football

Tuesday: Gymnastics

3:20-4:20

Scan Me!



£5 Per Session

Book Online

<https://roystontownfc.ktckts.com>

# Autumn Clubs 2025

Autumn Term	Lunchtime	After school
2025-26	(12:30pm – 1:00pm)	(3:20pm – 4:15pm)
Monday	<u>Basketball/Multi skills</u> with Alfie (RTFC)	<u>Football</u> Led by Alfie/RTFC on the playground/hall (For years R, 1, 2, 3, 4)
Tuesday	<u>Ball skills/Hockey</u> with Alfie (RTFC) (For various year groups)	<u>Gymnastics</u> Led by Alfie/RTFC in the school hall (For years R, 1, 2, 3, 4)
Wednesday	<u>Cricket/Ball skills</u> with Laura (RTFC) (For various year groups)	No Clubs this half term
Thursday	Football/Hockey with Danny (RTFC) (For various year groups)	<u>Dance Club</u> With Morgan (see page 3 for more info)
Friday	Multiskills/Dodgeball with Danny (RTFC) (For various year groups)	<u>Board Games Club</u> Led by various members of teaching staff (For years R, 1, 2, 3, 4)

## Signing Up

**RTFC Gymnastics and Football** – Please sign up through the link below:

<https://roystontownfc.ktckts.com/brand/after-school>

**Dance Club** – please sign up through the link below:

<https://caspa-schools.cademy.co.uk>

Parents do not need to sign children up for lunchtime clubs.

**Board Games Club**—Please sign-up through Arbor.

# Piano Lessons



Hertfordshire Music Service are delighted to announce that we are now offering piano lessons at Jenyn's First School. Lessons are taught by one of our experienced teachers and are open to children in Year 1 and above.



Lesson costs are paid termly in advance and are as follows (weekly rate):

- Individual 20 minute lesson: £16.64
- Individual 30 minute lesson: £24.96

For more information please visit our [Music Lessons](#) page.



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# PERFORMANCE CLUBS

## [AT] JENYNS FIRST SCHOOL



### DANCE CLUB!

EXPLORING STYLES SUCH AS STREET DANCE,  
POM DANCE AND LYRICAL.

**ITS SHOWCASE TERM!!!**

*Your teacher this  
term is  
Morgan*

DAY & TIME	STYLE	COST
Thursdays 3:20-4:20	Dance Club, ages 4-9	13 weeks £71.50 (£5.50 per session)

**TERM DATES: WC 8/9/25- 8/12/25 (EXCLUDING HALF TERM)**

EMAIL QUESTIONS TO [INFO@CASPASCHOOLS.CO.UK](mailto:INFO@CASPASCHOOLS.CO.UK)

BOOK VIA [HTTPS://CASPA-SCHOOLS.CADEMY.CO.UK/](https://CASPA-SCHOOLS.CADEMY.CO.UK/)

**FOLLOW CASPA SCHOOLS ON SOCIAL MEDIA TO KEEP UP WITH NEWS  
AND EVENTS!**





# SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

More clothes -  
more funds for  
your organisation.

**1 kg = £0.45**

YOUR COLLECTION IS  
ARRANGED ON:

**15 October**

WEDNESDAY

FILL ANY BAGS WITH CLOTHING AND  
BRING THEM TO SCHOOL/ORGANISATION  
WE WILL COLLECT AND WEIGH THEM

✓ WE ACCEPT

- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
- Shoes (paired)
- Bags
- Hats & scarves
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Swimwear, lingerie
- Jewellery
- Perfumes

✗ WE DONT ACCEPT

- Uniforms
- Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
- Traditional clothing
- Duvets & pillows
- Single shoes
- Toys, stationery
- Bric-a-brac & electrical items
- Books, CDs, DVDs
- Workwear
- Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
- Hygiene items, diapers
- Linen & towels

PLEASE NO UNIFORMS & DUVETS!

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# JENYNS OUTDOOR FOREST SCHOOL STAY & PLAY



**FREE  
SESSION**

**WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
9:00AM-10:30AM**

At Jenyns First School, Uplands, Braughing, SG11 2QJ  
(Next to Puckeridge and Buntingford)

Come and join us for a variety of Forest School  
Activities set in our beautiful school woodland and  
outdoor area. Suitable for all ages up to 4 years old.

**Come Play, Learn and Grow Together**



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# Jenyns First School and Nursery

## Open Morning and Parent Tours:

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 10:30am

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 4:30pm

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 9:15am

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 2:00pm

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 10:00am -12:00pm (Open Morning)

For Nursery  
and Reception  
Prospective  
Parents with  
children  
starting Sept  
2026



Located in Braughing (3 mins from Puckeridge), we are a first school and nursery catering for children from 3-9 years old. With highly qualified, caring educators and a curriculum that blends enjoyment with purposeful learning, we support your child's growth in all areas. From nature-based activities to creative exploration, every day is a new adventure that lays the foundation for future success.

We look forward to welcoming you on our open morning. Alternatively, contact us to book a private tour - Our school needs to be seen to be believed!



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Jenyns First School and Nursery, Uplands, Braughing SG11 2QJ - 01920 821461



# Join Our Stay and Play!

*Fun and engaging activities for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers*

**Every Wednesday (during term time)**

**JENYNS FIRST SCHOOL AND NURSERY**

**9:00am - 10:00am**

***What you can expect:***

- A range of fun and stimulating play activities
- singing and music play
- Healthy snacks
- A chance for you to socialise in a relaxed environment

**Only £2 per child**

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