

JENYNS FIRST SCHOOL AND NURSERY

NEWSLETTER 24.10.2025

Embracing Respect, Nurturing Growth, Inspiring Ambition



Autumn Term 2025

27/10/25–Half Term

10/11/25– 14/11/25– Anti-bullying Week

11/11/25–Remembrance Day

21/11/25–Children in Need

27/11/25–Glitter Afternoon

27/11/25–Book Fair afterschool (until 2/12/25)

6/12/25– Jenyns Open Morning (Prospective Parents only) 10–12

8/12/25–Christmas Jumper Day

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

9/12/25–Ash Class Winter Performance @ 9:15am

12/12/25–Birch and Chestnut Festive Extravaganza Performance to parents @2:00pm

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

17/12/25–Christmas Dinner

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

19/12/25–Christingle Service @ St Mary's Church (Braughing) 9:30am

19/12/25– End of term–12:15pm collection

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

Headteacher message:

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thankyou's

Thank you to all parents who attended the Sharing Assembly and Stay and Read events this morning. It was lovely to see all of the children sit with such confidence and pride whilst sharing their work.

Thank you to all parents who attended Parent's Evening on both Wednesdays. It has been a pleasure to hear how well your children are settling into the new year and the progress they are already making. On both evenings, there was an opportunity to complete a parent survey. I will be sure to share the responses after half term. Christmas Cards

Finally, thank you to all of our parent volunteers and FOJ who came in to assist with the Christmas Card artwork this week.

Black History Week

This week we have been focusing on Black History Week. In assemblies we celebrated the life of Mary Seacole as well as reading stories from Africa. The whole school have been reading 'Africa Amazing Africa' and producing work linked to this text in English. There will be a variety of work displayed in the library which we invite you to come and see after half term.

Welcome Reverend Lynn

After parent consultations in Wednesday, I was invited to St Mary's Church at the Licensing Service for Reverend Lynn Hayler, the new Reverend of the Braughing, Ferneux Pelham and Stocking Pelham benefice. At the service I was asked to Welcome Reverend Lynn on behalf of the children and families within the community. We look forward to seeing Reverend Lynn at our Christingle Service on the 19th December.

Goodbye Mrs Hargrave/Welcome Mrs Dove

We'd like to wish Miss Hargrave all the very best as she begins her maternity leave next week. Her determination and perseverance to work up until 39 weeks of pregnancy has been incredible! We'll miss her greatly and can't wait to hear her exciting news soon! We're delighted to welcome Mrs Dove, who will be teaching the class while Miss Hargrave is away. Mrs Dove spent two days in class last week ensuring that she has a thorough handover. Mrs Dove will be teaching Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Mrs Smith will be teaching the class every Wednesday after half term.

I hope you all have a safe and restful half term.

Many Thanks,
Mr Sadler

Apple Blossom's are now catering for children from 18 months old.



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Braughing Community Centre
Green Lane, SG11 2QL

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★ EVERY TUESDAY ★

1:30pm-3:00pm



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Little Recyclers—Thank you



Thank you to everyone who donated their unwanted items—we raised £94.05 for the school!

Piano Lessons

Piano lessons are taking place on Monday mornings this term. Please see the flyer on page 4 for more information.



Attendance Matters

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

1st Birch Class – 99.2%

2nd Ash Class – 98.6%

3rd Chestnut Class—93.3%



House Points

House points for this term so far are as follows:

Blue = 1st (4 points)

Yellow = 2nd (3 points)

Red = 3rd (2 points)

Green = 4th (1 point)

Red	Blue	Green	Yellow
27	42	18	29

The running total of house points for the year are as follows:

Red	Blue	Green	Yellow
6	11	8	5

Mythical Tales Storytelling with Laura Sampson

Monday 27 October, 2.00pm
Ware Library

Tickets: £5 per child
www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries100

100 years
Hertfordshire County Council
Libraries Service
1925-2025

Ash Class

Ash class have been learning all about Africa this week as the whole school have been looking at the book *Africa, Amazing Africa*. Specifically they have been learning more about the animals that live in the Savannahs, the vast size of it, how it has 55 countries and about its deserts and pyramids. The children have been fascinated to learn about Africa and have amazed us with retention of facts and how confidently they can explain what they know in their own words. They created maps and wrote about what they found out.

In Forest school they made forest wands and shared their wishes around the shelter and the fire pit. Then they used their powers of deduction to work out who was hidden under the blanket during our favourite game called *Hibernating Hedgehogs*. The children have been matching items to find equal sets in Maths and segmenting words into their sounds to play *Balloon Phonics* together in English. The children have made us very proud of all their achievements this half term. Have a great half term break.



This week, our star of the week is Lyla and Reya.

Birch Class

In science this week, Birch class were learning about the importance of hygiene. Children enjoyed taking part in an investigation to understand how easily germs can be spread from one person to another - we used glitter to pretend to be the germs and shook hands. Each table had a different coloured glitter. By the end our hands were multicoloured and the germs were everywhere. We then discussed how we should wash our hands correctly and practiced this to remove the glitter.



On Wednesday we were lucky enough to be joined by some of our Friends of Jenyn's parents to help us create our Christmas artwork. We used water paints to create some beautiful backgrounds and felt tips to decorate our snowmen. We hope you will like the finished product and enjoy buying some of the products.



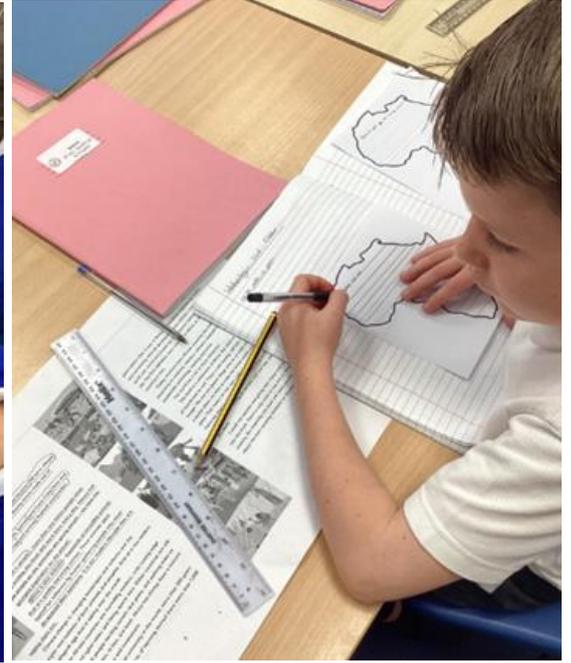
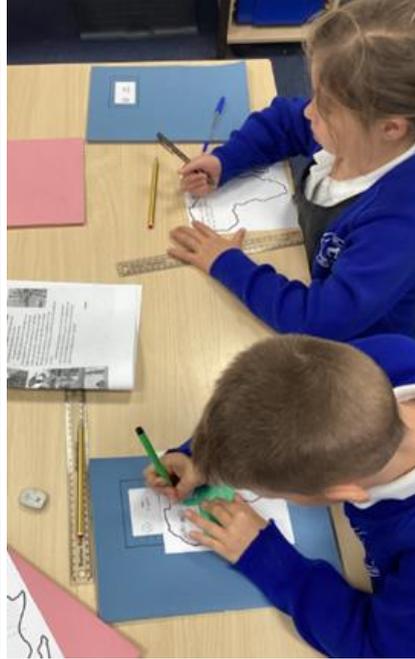
In maths, we have been counting to 100 and back in our lessons and building recognition of 2 digit numbers in a range of ways. We hope you will enjoy practicing this over half term with a game of snakes and ladders or bingo. Below children are throwing bean bags to land on the correct number tile called.



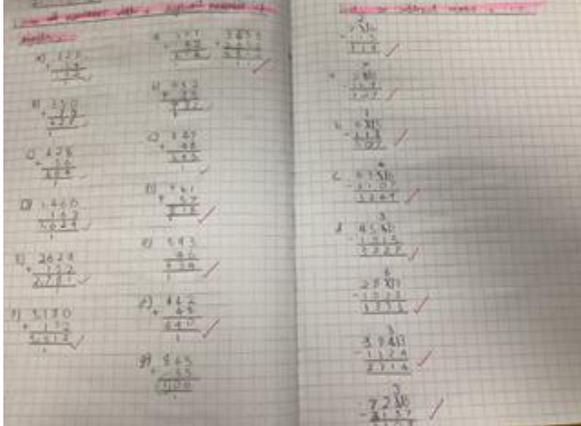
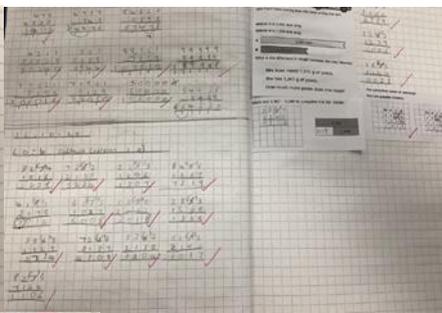
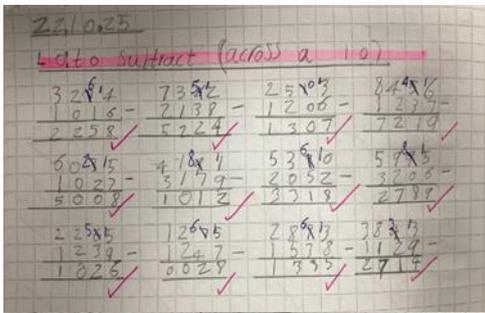
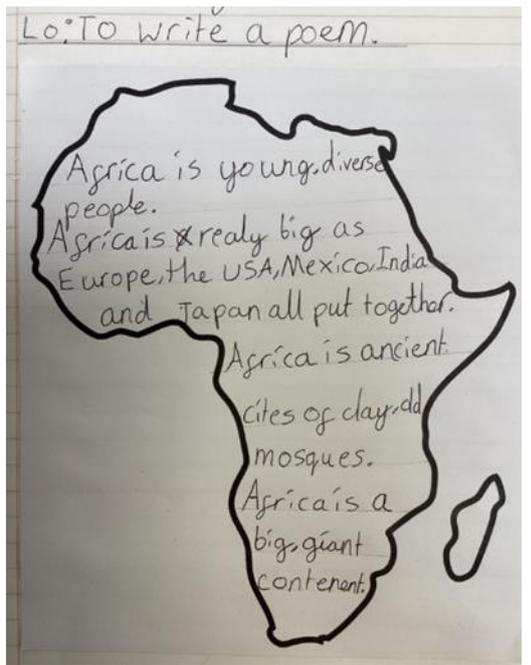
This week our stars of the week are Mary and Hadliegh.

Chestnut Class

In English, we have produced poems after reading our new book 'Africa Amazing Africa'. We focused on key vocabulary and facts we have learnt about Africa, as well as using expanded noun phrases.



In maths, we have been learning how to add and subtract using a written method. We have persevered and made wonderful progress!



This week our stars of the week are Noah and Faith.

JENYNS

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 play-ground/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.

Parent & Carer Support Spring Term 2026



FREE to parents and carers living in Hertfordshire

TALKING TEENS

6, weekly sessions for parents and carers of children aged **12-19**, covering:



- The Teen Brain: physical and emotional changes taking place and why behaviour changes.
- The link between behaviour and communicating difficult feelings.
- How to maintain your relationship with good communication.
- Understand risk taking behaviour around drugs, alcohol and gang culture.
- How to negotiate and reduce conflict.

Mondays 7.45 - 9.15pm

5th Jan to 9th Feb

Online Course: ID 804

Wednesdays 7.45 - 9.15pm

4th Feb to 18th Mar

F2F Course: ID 802

St Albans (venue tbc)

Thursdays 7.45 - 9.15pm

5th Feb to 19th Mar

Online Course: ID 803

TALKING ANGER in TEENS

6, weekly sessions for parents and carers of children aged **11-19**, supporting you to:



- Understand why children & adults get angry.
- Develop strategies to handle anger in yourself and others within your family.
- Recognise the early signs of anger.
- Reduce conflict and arguments.
- Encourage positive behaviour.

Tuesdays 7.45 - 9.30pm

6th Jan to 10th Feb

Online Course: ID 805

TALKING ADDITIONAL NEEDS

A 6-week group for parents and carers of children **2-19**, with any additional need. Your child does not need a diagnosis.



- Understand your child's behaviour.
- Develop strategies that really work.
- Reduce conflict.
- Improve emotional regulation.
- Explore sensory needs.
- Increase your child's resilience.
- Manage different needs in your family.

Tuesdays 8.00 - 9.30pm

6th Jan to 10th Feb

Online Course ID 797

Tuesdays 9.45 - 11.15am

3rd Feb to 17th Mar

Online Course ID 796

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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www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk



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term is
Morgan*

DAY & TIME	STYLE	COST
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TERM DATES: WC 8/9/25- 8/12/25 (EXCLUDING HALF TERM)

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JENYNS OUTDOOR FOREST SCHOOL STAY & PLAY

**WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER
9:00AM-10:30AM**

**FREE
SESSION**

At Jenyns First School, Uplands, Braughing, SG11 2QJ
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Come and join us for a variety of Forest School
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Jenyns First School and Nursery

Open Morning and Parent Tours:

Wednesday 24th September at 10:30am

Wednesday 24th September at 4:30pm

Monday 13th October at 9:30am

Thursday 6th November at 9:15am

Wednesday 19th November at 2:00pm

Saturday 6th 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



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