

# JENYNS FIRST SCHOOL AND NURSERY

## NEWSLETTER 28.11.2025

*Embracing Respect, Nurturing Growth, Inspiring Ambition*



### Autumn Term 2025

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

5/12/25–New climbing frame being installed (provisional date)

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–Climbing Frame Opening Event–9:15am on playground

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

5/1/26–INSET Day (School Closed)

6/1/26–First day back for children

15/1/26–Great Athletes/Olympian assembly–launch of sponsored event

22/1/26–Sponsored PE Event

27/1/26–Dental Survey (12 selected pupils who turn 5 in January)

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

### Headteacher message:

Dear Parents/Carers,

#### Glitter Afternoon

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas.. Thank you to all of our parents and carers who came in to support the children with their Christmas craft activities yesterday. It was lovely to see all of the children being 'cool co-operators' helping one another. Thank you to all of the staff for their amazing craft ideas and thank you of course to Mr Page for ensuring all of the glitter was hoovered up and the gluey tables wiped down before the morning.

The children came into the hall this afternoon to hang their Christmas crafts on the school Christmas tree. Thank you to all the parents that came in this morning to help put up the school Christmas tree in the hall. All of your parental support is truly appreciated.

#### Book Fair

What a fantastic start we had to our Book Fair yesterday afternoon. Thank you for your patience as it was very busy. The book Fair will continue to be open up until Wednesday next week. Be sure to pay us a visit after school...even if it's just for a browse.

#### Climbing Frame Installation and Opening Event

We are very excited to share that the installation of our new climbing frame will begin next **Friday 5th December**. The installation is due to take 3-4 days. During this time, part of the playground will be sectioned off. Please can you ensure that all children do not go into the sectioned-off area during drop off and pick up.

The school will be holding a short 'opening ceremony' on the morning of **Friday 12th December**. We are very honoured to be having Daisy Fitzgerald in to cut the ribbon. Daisy is a former pupil of Jenyns and is a professional rugby player, playing for Saracens Rugby Club.

The opening ceremony will take place between 9:00-9:20 out on the playground. There will be tea, coffee and cake available. Daisy will then be going into school to deliver an assembly to the children to talk about her journey going from Jenyns to a professional athlete! .

#### Apple Blossoms visit to Forest School

On Wednesday, we were thrilled to welcome our local preschool group for a special visit! The children joined us outside and spent a joyful morning taking part in one of our Forest School sessions.

From the moment they arrived, pupils in Ash class were wonderful hosts—helping the younger children explore, guiding them through activities, and sharing their excitement for outdoor learning. We look forward to welcoming them back in the new year!

#### Parking outside the school

We kindly ask all parents and carers to park considerately when dropping off or collecting children from school. Please avoid blocking driveways, parking on dropped kerbs, or stopping in areas that may reduce visibility for pedestrians and other drivers.

Your support helps keep our school community safe and ensures a smooth and respectful environment for our neighbours. Thank you for your continued cooperation!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend. Many Thanks,  
Mr Sadler

### Attendance Matters

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

1st Ash Class – 96.5%

2nd Birch Class – 93.9%

3rd Chestnut Class – 92.7%

### House Points

House points for this term so far are as follows:

Thomas (Blue) = 1st (4 points)

Quin (Green) = 2nd (3 points)

Fleece (Yellow) = 3rd (2 points)

Warren (Red) = 4th (1 point)

Warren	Thomas	Quin	Fleece
62	108	107	69

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

Warren	Thomas	Quin	Fleece
14	20	20	16

FRIENDS OF JENYN'S'

# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

FROM 3.30-4.30  
ON MONDAY  
**15**  
DECEMBER

JOIN US FOR FUN  
AND FESTIVE GAMES INCLUDING  
LUCKY DIP, TOMBOLA, COOKIE  
DECORATING AND FEED SANTA

PLUS THE  
CHILDREN  
SINGING LIVE

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



# Apple Blossom

## Pre-School & Day Care

Braughing Community Centre  
Green Lane, SG11 2QL

FREE TRIAL  
FOR NEW  
STARTERS!

### NOW OPEN

8am-4pm Monday - Friday

48 WEEKS OF THE YEAR

★ CALL 07432 793008 TO BOOK ★

- ✓ For children aged 18 months - 3 years
- ✓ Funding available

★ ENROLLING NOW ★

LITTLE BLOSSOMS (STAY + PLAY)

EVERY TUESDAY

1:30pm-3:00pm



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Blossoms Pre-School  
And Daycare buntingford



## Ash Class

Ash class enjoyed lots of fun activities down on the field this week and welcomed some visitors from Apple Blossoms who joined them in the sunshine. They played with the mud kitchen, went on bug hunts, enjoyed small world play and were great role models for our younger friends.

The children have been studying artwork by Kandinsky and talking about all the shapes and colours they can see in his work. They then worked on a collaborative activity to recreate it using pastels. They worked very carefully, blending the colours and mixing them with a cloth to create a smooth join as the colours merged together. We were very impressed with their perseverance and concentration.

Each day the children have practiced different parts of their end of term show The Snowman. They are learning their lines, songs and actions really well. Next week they will be trying on their costumes. Some children have already brought theirs in. Please let us know if you need any information regarding costumes.



This week, our star of the week is Eleanor.

## Birch Class

In History, the children were excited to share what they had found out from their homework about the toys their parents played with. Some children also brought some toys in that they shared with the rest of the class. We then placed some of the toys we had found out about on a timeline.



In maths we have been learning about 2D shapes and their properties. We have been discussing how many sides and vertices each shape has. We also had a go at making shapes on Geoboards and pegboards and year 2 children practiced using the ruler to draw their own shapes.



In English, we found a rucksack that had been left by an explorer. It had lots of interesting items inside the bag that you might need if you were to travel the world. We shared where we would like to go if we could visit anywhere in the world.

“I would like to go and see alligators” Lennon said.

“I would like to go to a rainforest so I could see jaguars, cheetahs and toucans.” said Wilf.

This week our stars of the week are Harper and Jakobi.



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## Chestnut Class

This week in art, we started making our food sculptures inspired by the artist Claes Oldenburg. Everyone has designed and made a 'sweet treat' using a variety of materials including Modroc. Next week, once the Modroc has hardened, we will begin painting our models to make them look as realistic (and delicious) as possible



Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November  
L.O: To write an opening of a brochure  
Do you and your friends get like you not something  
but or cat?  
Do you look or get down in the dumps?  
Will come to us! We have amazing Spectacles! get  
with magical minds and huge long noses!  
Hurry up now! An Amazing pet store will open  
Our pet are well look outside by the under some  
magical pet Emerald's House Ltd.  
Our pet are now called perfect they are better and  
Smarter than the ones you get.  
Come now we get the sale ends 50% off

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November  
L.O: To write a descriptive paragraph for a  
pet brochure  
We have many unique, imperfect pets on our store.  
With gorgeous, little ears and the two delicate, cute wings  
Hoot is a loving, ~~brave~~ pet.  
Sloth is a brown, pink animal with small, ~~precious~~  
precious ears.  
Nibbles is a loving, caring heap of  
cuteness with glow-in-the-dark eyes.

In

English, inspired by their text 'The Barnabus Project' the children have begun to draft an advertising brochure for a pet shop selling imperfect pets. They have written an introduction to hook the reader in and a descriptive paragraph about the pets that are on sale.



For our annual Glitter Day, the children thoroughly enjoyed making a range of Christmas decorations ready to put on the school tree. In Chestnut we made mini wreaths and used weaving skills for baubles.



Our stars of the week are Betsy and Finn.

# 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>Gardening/Forest School Club</u> (Day and adult to be confirmed)	<u>Football</u> Led by Alfie/RTFC on the play-ground/hall (For years R, 1, 2, 3, 4)
Tuesday	<u>Hockey</u> with Alfie (RTFC) (For various year groups) <u>Chior</u> With Mr Sadler/Mrs Baxter (For various year groups)	<u>Gymnastics</u> Led by Alfie/RTFC in the school hall (For years R, 1, 2, 3, 4)
Wednesday	<u>Multisports</u> with Laura (RTFC) (For various year groups)	No Clubs this half term
Thursday	<u>Football KS2</u> with Danny (RTFC) (For various year groups)	<u>Dance Club</u> With Morgan (see page 3 for more info)
Friday	<u>Football KS1</u> 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:

# 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**

**5<sup>th</sup> Jan to 9<sup>th</sup> Feb**

**Online Course: ID 804**

**Wednesdays 7.45 - 9.15pm**

**4<sup>th</sup> Feb to 18<sup>th</sup> Mar**

**F2F Course: ID 802**

**St Albans (venue tbc)**

**Thursdays 7.45 - 9.15pm**

**5<sup>th</sup> Feb to 19<sup>th</sup> 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**

**6<sup>th</sup> Jan to 10<sup>th</sup> 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**

**6<sup>th</sup> Jan to 10<sup>th</sup> Feb**

**Online Course ID 797**

**Tuesdays 9.45 - 11.15am**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Feb to 17<sup>th</sup> Mar**

**Online Course ID 796**

Piano lessons on Monday mornings—starting w/c 15th September. See below on how to sign-

# 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!**





# 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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[www.jenyns.herts.sch.uk](http://www.jenyns.herts.sch.uk)

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



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*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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Learn, and Grow  
Together!**

