

JENYNS FIRST SCHOOL AND NURSERY

NEWSLETTER 30.1.2026

Embracing Respect, Nurturing Growth, Inspiring Ambition



Spring Term 2026

3/2/26–Wellbeing

Workshop for Chestnut Class

5/2/26–Number Day

(Non-uniform/dressing up)

10/2/26–Safer Internet Day

10/2/26–Parent Workshop (Computing/Internet Safety) @9:00am

11/2/26–Wellbeing

Workshop Birch Class

13/2/26–Sharing Assembly (8:55am) followed by Stay and Read

13/2/26–Grandparents Valentines Afternoon Tea

16/2/26–20/2/26–Half Term

23/2/26–Duck Eggs delivered to Ash Class

4/3/26–Parent Conversations

5/3/26–World Book Day

6/3/26–World Book Day Workshops for all classes

11/3/26–Parent Conversations

w/b 16/3/25–Science Week

18/3/26–Science Workshops

20/3/26–Red Nose Day

20/3/26–FOJ Quiz Night

Headteacher message:

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another full on week of learning at Jenyns this week. Read pages 5, 6 and 7 to see what our pupils have been up to in class

Reading at Home Reminder and new raffle incentive

As part of our home-school agreement with parents, children (Reception to Year 4) are expected to read at home at least three times a week.

As 2026 is the national year of Reading and to also help encourage children to read more at home, every time a child reads three times in a week, a child will get a raffle ticket entered into a draw. Children can earn a maximum of 2 tickets per week. A winner will then be drawn during Friday's assembly to choose a prize from the prize box each week. The tickets will also be used for a half termly prize draw. On the last Friday of each half term, a winner from each class will be selected where they will receive a new book of their choosing from a selection of books chosen by school council and teachers.

Children who regularly read aloud at home gain substantial long-term benefits compared with peers who don't. These benefits span language, cognition, academics, and emotional and social development.

A huge thank you to the parents/carers of the 23 children who read three times a week this week.

Steve Frew visits Jenyns!

Yesterday, we had a visit from gold medallist Steve Frew who came in to lead our sponsored fitness event. Steve was impressed with all of the pupils determination and perseverance as they were pushed to the limit. After the circuit, Steve led an incredible assembly where he spoke about what inspired him to become an athlete, his career highlights/achievements and the skills required to achieve his goals. He even performed some gymnastics for us!

This was a truly incredible event which I'm sure will be remembered forever by the pupils.

Thank you to everyone who sponsored their child. Payments have to be made by Thursday 5th February, so there is still time to submit any sponsorship money online or via the school office. The prizes will be sent to the school once all of the money has been submitted—we look forward to sharing with you how much has been raised.

Some photos from the event can be found on page 4, as well as on our Facebook page.

Wellbeing Workshops

Both Birch and Chestnut had a visit from Carol who works for Hertfordshire Mind Network - a leading local mental health charity providing free, community-based support across Hertfordshire for adults and young people (5-18)

Carol led a short workshop with Birch Class all about feelings and emotions as well as a wellbeing workshop with Chestnut Class.

Both workshops were very interactive and the pupils enjoyed learning about the 5 ways to wellbeing and how to regulate their emotions.

Some photos from the workshops can be found on page 4 as well as on our Facebook page.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Many Thanks,

Mr Sadler

Attendance Matters

Congratulations to **Birch Class** who won the attendance trophy this week.

Please find the attendance figures for this week below:

1st Birch Class – 100%

2nd Ash Class – 98.6%

2nd Chestnut Class–98.6%

House Points

Warren House = 1st (4 points)

Fleece House = 2nd (3points)

Thomas House = 3rd (2points)

Quin House = 4th (1 point)

Warren	Thomas	Quin	Fleece
71	58	55	66

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

Warren	Thomas	Quin	Fleece
28	28	32	32

Number Day—Thursday 5th February

On Thursday 5th February we will be celebrating Number Day. The children are invited to dress up in something number related e.g. dress as a die or a domino or wear clothing with numbers on or something more imaginative. What they wear could also be something with a repeating pattern or shapes on it or even a hat or head band that they have made at home. It is not a fund raiser just a day to promote and enjoy mathematics and enrich the children's learning. We will share highlight of the day in our weekly newsletter.



Parent Computing/Internet Safety Workshop— Tuesday 10th February @ 9:00am

The theme of this term's parent workshop will be Computing/Internet Safety. We will firstly be spending time in the hall sharing how we teach Computing as well as sharing strategies on how to keep children safe on the internet. You will then have an opportunity to work alongside your child during a computing lesson/activity in your child's classroom. We hope to see as many parents/carers there as possible.

**Safer
Internet
Day 2026** | **Tuesday
10 February**

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

saferinternetday.org.uk



Taking bookings for September 2026



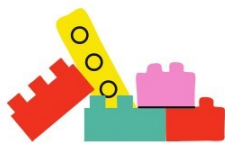
WASPS OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB

A warm safe environment where children aged 2 to 13 years can learn, grow and have fun!

WASPS Out of School Club has been established for over 25 years and run by the current owner since 2006. The Club cares for children aged from 2 to 13 years old at the Puckeridge and Standon Community Centre, Station Road, Puckeridge, Hertfordshire.

We pride ourselves in our homely atmosphere and caring, professional staff that look after your children's wellbeing as well as provide fun, educational activities to suit all ages.

WASPS currently collects and takes children to and from Roger de Clare, St Thomas of Canterbury, Jenyns and Ralph Sadler Schools and also from SPINS Nursery. The Club runs a Breakfast Club, After School Club and a Holiday Play Scheme.



For more information please get in contact

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Herts Mind Network Workshops:

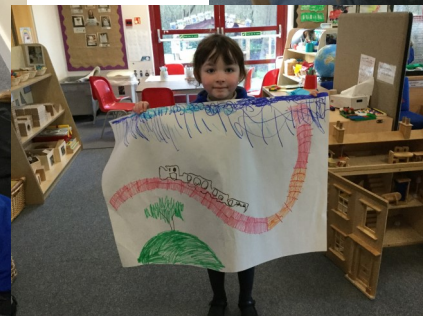


Steve Frew/Sponsored Fitness Circuit:



Ash Class

Ash Class have continued to learn about journeys this week as they explored ideas of what they might see out of the window on a steam train journey. They had lots of imaginative ideas as they showed us their Mighty Imaginations. We used so much paper for our story map that we had to work along the corridor. The children collaborated and together they created a bank of ideas on a huge scale! Back in the classroom they have been writing in their play, writing tickets for our train and ticket office role play and labelling their models. We went on a winter walk in the sunshine on Wednesday during forest school and the children will bring home their tick lists to continue as we did not find everything on our search. Reception have been exploring ways of making numbers up to ten and using tens frames to see how some numbers are made of 5 and a bit as well as learning 'one more than' number facts.



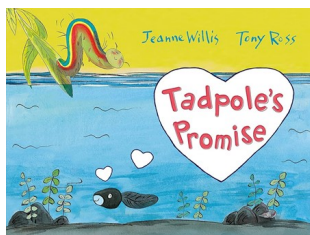
This week, our star of the week is Elsie.

Birch Class

In Geography, we have been learning about which country our school is in and looking at the four countries that are in the United Kingdom. We located these on a map in an atlas. Some children were able to locate the county (Hertfordshire) we live in on the map too. Next, we will be learning the seven continents in the world and understanding which continent England is in.



In English, before starting our new core text we had a pond of promises appear in our outside area. We read the promises to work out who they belonged to and year 2s looked at how we could use apostrophes for possession to show who the promises belonged to. Year 1s wrote their own promises making sure they used a capital letter for their name. Our new book is 'Tadpole's promise' by Jeanne Willis.



We enjoyed our visit from Steve Frew and completing each of the exercises for a minute to help raise money for new sports equipment. The children all worked hard and pushed themselves to do as many possible, they were really supportive cheering each other on too.



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



Chestnut Class

In Art we have been exploring storytelling through drawings and learning about different illustrators. After initially planning our stories last week, we have begun to draw our final versions. We have explored using watercolour paints and will be adding splashes of colour to our stories next week.



Earlier this week we took part in Wellbeing workshop led by Carol from Hertfordshire Mind Network. We enjoyed learning about the 5 ways to wellbeing which are:



We had a fantastic time taking part in the sponsored fitness circuit with gymnast Steve Frew. He talked to us about never giving up and believing in ourselves to reach our dreams and goals.



This week our stars of the week are Penny and Amelia.



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



Apple Blossom

Pre-School & Day Care

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Green Lane, SG11 2QL

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JENYNS

After-School Clubs

Monday: Football

Tuesday: Gymnastics

3:20-4:20

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£5 Per Session

Book Online

<https://roystontownfc.ktckts.com>

Spring Clubs 2026

Autumn Term 2025-26	Lunchtime (12:30pm – 1:00pm)	After school (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)	<u>Cooking Club</u> Led by Mr Sadler (For years 1, 2,3, 4)
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:

<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.

Cooking Club—Please sign up through Arbor (a donation of £4 is required to cover the cost of ingredients)

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



**Hertfordshire
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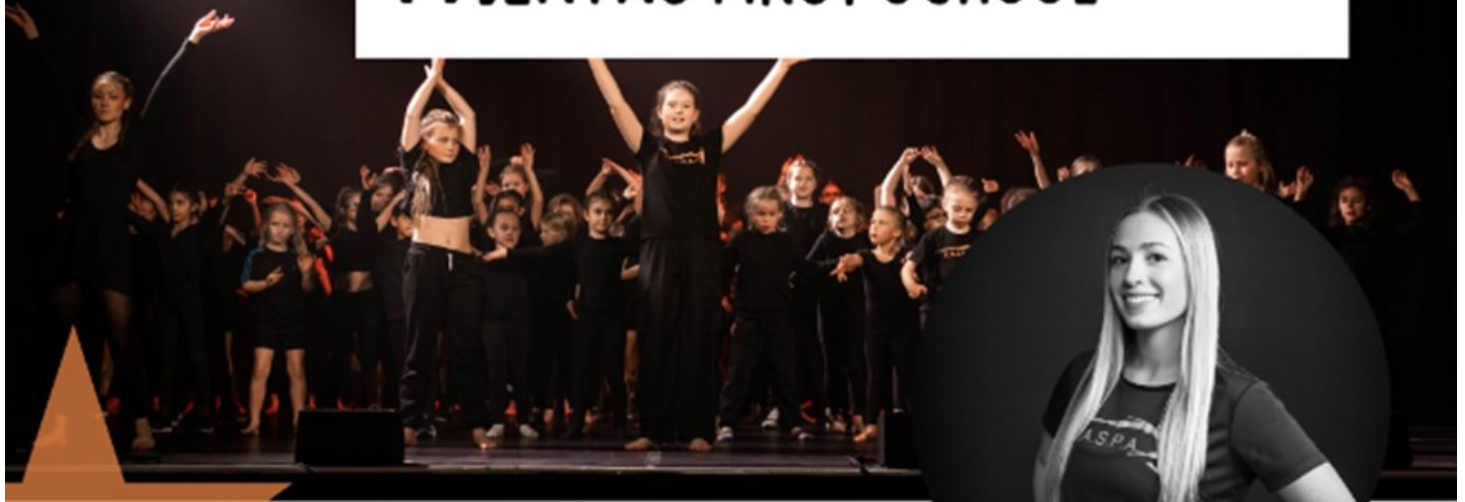


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PERFORMANCE CLUBS

[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

BOOK VIA [HTTPS://CASPA-SCHOOLS.CADEMY.CO.UK/](https://caspa-schools.cademy.co.uk/)

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AND EVENTS!**





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JENYNS FIRST SCHOOL AND NURSERY

9:00am - 10:00am

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SPINS Pre-School

Standon & Puckeridge Community Centre, Station Road, Puckeridge, Herts, SG11 1TF

Tel: 07881 533339, Email: Spins.nursery@outlook.com

Open Monday - Friday 9.15 am - 12.15pm, 2.15 pm lunch club (Term Time)

SPINS is a safe and caring environment where your child can learn, grow and develop. Staff are qualified and have an enhanced DBS check, and attend regular courses which give them the skills they need to encourage children's development.

Starting pre-school is one of the most important things for both the child and parent/carer. This is why our aim at SPINS is to make sure that your child/children feel safe, happy and secure in their surroundings.

We understand that at times starting a new routine and making new attachments and friendships can be daunting both for a new parent and indeed a child. Therefore, we offer a settling in period to accommodate individual needs.

We are OFSTED Registered and graded good (November 2023). SPINS is held at Standon & Puckeridge Community Centre. Taking Children from 18 months - 5 yrs



Funding:

We provide supported & working families Government funding for 2, 3 & 4 year olds if eligible. We offer 30 hours funding.

Activities:

Are taken from children's fascinations, highlighting what resource and skill is to be focussed on. This means learning is tailored, activities change daily which promotes and stimulates learning ensuring progression is maximised. With a fully qualified team, and understanding our unique cohort, all activities are bespoke.

Special Needs:

SPINS work with professionals outside the group including therapists, Health Visitors and Social Workers to meet all children's needs.

