

JENYNS FIRST SCHOOL AND NURSERY

NEWSLETTER 04.09.26

Embracing Respect, Nurturing Growth, Inspiring Ambition



Autumn Term 2026

7/9/26 - Birch Class Welcome meeting 2:45pm
 9/9/26 - Chestnut Class Welcome meeting 9:00am
 9/9/26 - Ash Class Welcome meeting 2:45pm
 21/9/26 - Individual pupil photos
 25/9/26 - Harvest Festival @ St Mary's Church (TBC) - 9:30am
 1/10/26 - National Poetry Day
 2/10/26 - Old Man's Day - Sweeping the lane - 9:30am
 4/10/26 - Parent Volunteer Day 9:30am-1:30pm
 5/10/26 - Reading Parent Workshop - 9:00am-10:00am
 14/10/26 - Parent Consultations
 21/10/26 - Parent Consultations

House Points

House Points this week:

Warren	Thomas	Quin	Fleece
27	25	23	22

1st Warren House - 4 points

2nd Thomas House - 3 points

3rd Quin House - 2 points

4th Fleece House - 1 point

The House Point totals for the year so far are:

Warren	Thomas	Quin	Fleece
4	3	2	1

This Week's Attendance

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

1st Birch Class - 95.8%

2nd Chestnut Class - 94.4%

Ash Class - N/A



The Reading Raffle will start next week

% of children reading three times or more this week.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

23/10/26 - Parent Stay and Read and Class Sharing assemblies
9:00am - 10:00am

26/10/26 - 30/10/26 - Half Term

16/11/26 - 20/11/26 - Anti Bullying Week

20/11/26 - Children in Need

26/11/26 - Glitter Afternoon

26/11/26 - 1/12/26 - Book Fair
afterschool

4/12/26 - Occasional Day
(School Closed)

7/12/26 - INSET (School Closed)

8/12/26 - Christmas Pantomime
delivered to whole school

17/12/26 - Rocksteady
performance (2:30pm)

18/12/26 - End of term -
12:15pm

Headteacher Message:

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new children and families to our school. It is always a pleasure seeing our new Reception children join us at the beginning of term, they have all settled in incredibly well. We are also looking forward to our new Nursery intake starting on Monday.

I trust that you have all had a restful Summer. Classrooms are already busy, buzzing with excitement with learning taking place. I look forward to sharing what each class has been up to in next week's newsletter. It has not taken long for staff and children to get into full flow, they have a really exciting term ahead of them.

New School Values

Last Summer, our Senior Leadership Team and School Council worked hard on coming up with new school values whilst also incorporating the old ones. Staff felt that 7 different Learning Superpowers alongside 3 separate values was quite a lot for our children to remember. I am therefore proud to share our new School Values below:

The children will be learning about these more as the year progresses.

Autumn Term Clubs Survey

A letter went out earlier today with information about our Autumn Term Club Survey. Please complete the survey by Friday 11th and we will aim to have Autumn term clubs starting w/b 14th September.

Parent Volunteer Day

We have rescheduled our annual Parent Volunteer Day for Sunday 4th October 9:30am - 1:30pm (weather permitting!) This is a day where we welcome parent volunteers to help with jobs around the school, such as gardening, painting and fixing. I will be sending out an email next week with more information.

'Meet the Teacher' Welcome Meetings next week

Next week, we have our 'Meet the Teacher' Welcome meetings for all parents to attend. Your child's teacher will be sharing some important information about the year ahead and you will have the opportunity to ask any questions. If you are unable to make these meetings, a copy of the slides will be emailed home. These are taking place on:

Monday 7th September - Birch Class @ 2:45pm

Wednesday 9th September - Chestnut Class @ 9:00am

Wednesday 9th September - Ash Class @ 2:45pm

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Reading at home

Jenyns will be continuing to have a focus on reading throughout this academic year. The expectation is that children should be reading at home with an adult at least 3 times a week, as set out in our Home-School agreement. Staff will monitor reading records weekly as part of our weekly Reading Raffle to promote reading. Reading at home with an adult at least 3 times a week makes a lasting difference—building confidence, exposing children to vocabulary and improving literacy skills.

School meals

School meals are chargeable for Nursery children and for Years 3 & 4. There is currently no charge for children in Reception and Years 1 & 2, these are funded by the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme.

The current meal price for Nursery is £2.70 per day and for Years 3 & 4 £3.60 per day.

Please could all meals be paid for in advance of being taken. Payment is made via the Arbor portal.

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

Parent & Carer Support Autumn Term 2026

FREE to parents and carers living in Hertfordshire



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

15th Sep to 20th Oct

Online Course ID 864

ages
10-19

Tuesdays 9.45 – 11.15am

3rd Nov to 8th Dec

Online Course ID 859

ages
2-19

Wednesdays 7.00 – 9.00pm

4th Nov to 9th Dec

F2F Course: ID 858

Longdean School

Hemel Hempstead

ages
2-19

TALKING FAMILIES

6, weekly sessions for parents and carers of children aged **0-12** sharing tips on:

- Managing behaviour with consistency.
- Encouraging positive behaviour.
- Building your child's self-esteem.
- Setting and maintaining boundaries.
- Responding to tantrums and difficult feelings in children.
- Developing a strong parent/child relationship now and for the future.



Thursdays 8.00 – 9.30pm

17th Sep to 22nd Oct

Online Course ID 861

Wednesdays 9.45 – 11.15am

4th Nov to 9th Dec

Online Course ID 860

TALKING ANXIETY

6, weekly sessions for parents and carers of children **3-19**, supporting you to:

- Understand why young people and adults get anxious.
- Develop strategies to handle anxiety in yourself and others within your family.
- Recognise the early signs of anxiety.
- Reduce stress and tension.
- Encourage resilient behaviour.



Wednesdays 7.45 – 9.30pm

4th Nov to 9th Dec

Online Course ID 862

TALKING DADS

6, weekly sessions for dads & male carers of children **0-19**, sharing information on:

- Improved listening and communication skills.
- A healthy dad-child relationship now and for the future.
- Effective strategies for dealing with anger and conflict.
- How to enforce boundaries.
- Being the dad, you want to be.



Wednesdays 7.45 – 9.15pm

16th Sep to 21st Oct

Online Course: ID 867

Tuesdays 7.45 – 9.15pm

3rd Nov to 8th Dec

Online Course: ID 868

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

15th Sep to 20th Oct

Online Course: ID 863

TALKING TEENS

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

- The Teen Brain: the 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.



Wednesdays 7.45 – 9.15pm

16th Sep to 21st Oct

Online Course: ID 865

Wednesdays 7.45 – 9.15pm

4th Nov to 9th Dec

Online Course: ID 866

Booking essential. Please Quote the Course ID

To check eligibility and book a place, please contact Supporting Links on:

07512 709556 or bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk

These courses are provided free to parents by Hertfordshire County Council's Targeted Parenting Fund. Information taken on booking will be used to process your booking, check your eligibility, identify any access needs and will be stored in accordance with our GDPR policy which is available on request.



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Parent & Carer Support TALKING ASD & ADHD Workshops Autumn 2026



Workshops are FREE to parents and carers living in [Hertfordshire](#) of children aged 2-25yrs with suspected or diagnosed Autistic Spectrum Disorder and/or Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder.

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RESPONDING to ANGER



- Healthy & unhealthy anger.
- How to spot the signs early.
- Our own and our children's triggers.
- Techniques that stop angry and aggressive behaviour escalating and when to use them.
- How to respond to our child in meltdown, keeping ourselves, our child and siblings safe.

Monday 21st September, 7.30-9.15pm

Workshop SL-871 book via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/talking-asd-adhd-responding-to-anger-871-for-parentscarers-in-herts-registration-1989106887245>

ANXIETY & STRESS



- The difference between stress and anxiety.
- Understanding anxiety conditions in ASD/ADHD.
- Spot the signs of stress.
- Triggers amongst neurodivergent children.
- Help your anxious child feel safe.
- Early warning signs of mental health problems.

Wednesday 30th September, 7.30-9.15pm

Workshop SL-869 book via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/talking-asd-adhd-stress-anxiety-869-for-parentscarers-in-herts-registration-1988978053901>

SCHOOL AVOIDANCE



- What is Emotionally Based School Avoidance or Non-Attendance & what is your child's experience.
- Common causes and triggers of school avoidance.
- How EBSA is affecting you and your family.
- Practical steps you can take to support your child and look after yourself.
- How to work with your school in your child's best interests.

Wednesday 21st November, 7.30-9.15pm

Workshop SL-872 book via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/talking-asd-adhd-school-avoidance-872-for-parentscarers-in-herts-registration-1989109348607>

TECH USE



- Understand your child's use of Social Media, Gaming & the Internet.
- The effect of banning, strict time limits or using devices as a reward or consequence.
- Teach children how to manage their tech use, stay safe online and switch off.
- Improve communication and reduce conflict.
- Dopamine and other hormones.

Thursday 19th November, 9.30-11.15am

Workshop SL-870 book via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/talking-asd-adhd-tech-use-870-for-parentscarers-in-herts-registration-1989100977569>

Parent newsletter: <https://supportinglinks.co.uk/page/png1g>



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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
Jenyns First School and Nursery
Uplands, Braughing,
SG11 2QJ. Tel: 01920 821461

**Come Play,
Learn, and Grow
Together!**



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 run a Breakfast Club, After School Club and a Holiday Play Scheme.



For more information please get in contact

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Piano Lessons



Hertfordshire Music Service are delighted to announce that we are now offering piano lessons at Jenyns'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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