

Newsletter

FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2025

Dear Families,

We were delighted (and very excited!) to be invited by the Mayor to attend the Watford Remembrance Parade last weekend. Three of our Year 6 pupils represented the school with great pride, including reading a poem as part of the ceremony. We were so impressed by how confident and composed they were, especially standing before the Mayor, our local MP, and those representing the armed services.

We are still keeping everything crossed as we wait for confirmation about joining the IMAT Academy Trust. We expect to know more next week and will update you as soon as we do.

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents' Evening this week—what a fantastic turnout! If you were unable to make your appointment, please let your child's class teacher know so that a new time can be arranged.

I would like to say a huge thank you to one of our parents, Mrs Ilau, who helped us celebrate and raise money for Children in Need today by creating a magnificent balloon outfit and spending time with all of our children throughout the morning. The children wrote messages of support and kindness to those in need. Thank you to all who contributed a donation today. We raised over £100!

Have a wonderful weekend,

Miss Mortlock





Flu Jabs and Nasal Spray

On Monday 8th December the children will have the opportunity to receive their flu immunisation within school. Vaccinating your child helps reduce the risk of serious illness and plays an important role in protecting vulnerable individuals in your community, friends and family. You can choose between the quick, painless nasal spray or a pork gelatine-free injection.

For further information about the vaccines, please read the E-consent letter here:

<https://bed.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/hertfordshire>

If you do not want your child to be vaccinated, please submit a decline via the same link to avoid further contact from the vaccination team.



Remembrance Day

On Sunday 9th November, three children were invited to take part in the Watford Remembrance Service at the Town Hall. Giorgio accompanied the Vice Chairman to the Anne Frank tree to lay a wreath during the service and Anaya and Athisana read 'In Flanders Field'. We were so impressed at how confident they were representing our school in front of



the Mayor, the MP and those who were there representing the armed services.



Reception School Tours

On Monday 24th November we will be holding our Open Afternoon for 2026 Reception starters.

If you would like to book a place, please contact the school office on 01923 225 188.



Upcoming Events:

29th November **CRAFTY CHEMISTRY AT CHRISTMAS**
Get ready to mix up some festive fun with Crafty Chemistry at Christmas a hands-on event where you can create holiday-themed science gift.



18th February **OUR WORLD FROM SPACE**
Explore our captivating exhibits, experience a stunning 3D film showcasing the Seven Wonders of the Solar System, and witness a truly rare spectacle, the latest prototype of the ExoMars rover, a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for space enthusiasts and curious minds alike.



STEM SUMMER CAMP

Join us for one, two or three days of fun and hands-on activities that will spark your child's curiosity and creativity.

27th July **EYES IN THE SKIES**
Explore how satellites monitor our planet, try fun experiments, and create take-home items.



28th July **WATER IS WET!**
Explore how satellites monitor our planet, try fun experiments, and create take-home items.

[Click here or scan the QR code to learn more and book your place!](#)



Meet Father Christmas Church Farm Ardeley

Selected dates in December

Festive Farm Entry includes
Christmas Activity Pack * Festive Woodland
Walk the farm & see the farm animals

Meet Father Christmas
Father Christmas in his outside grotto
(includes a quality toy)
Meet the Elves
Write a letter to Father Christmas
Write a wish for the Wish Tree
Bag up reindeer food & carrot to take home to Rudolph

Additional Activities
Santa Paws – bring your beloved pooches to meet
Father Christmas include treat & toy
Harvest your Own Christmas Tree
Festive Tractor & Trailer Ride
Feed the farm animals

Book online www.churchfarmardeley.co.uk

This is an outdoor event so plenty of fresh air. Wrap up warm & wear wellies!

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