



NEWSLETTER



Issue 2: Thursday 12th September 2024

Reception



We are a full house
once again!

All our reception children are now in school and are settling into Class 1 brilliantly!

Coffee morning tomorrow

A reminder that tomorrow morning is the Class 1 parents' coffee morning in the hall. This is a lovely opportunity to chat informally with the Class 1 staff and get to know other parents and families. Younger siblings are very welcome to come along too and we will have some toys to keep them entertained while you chat.

Curriculum evening

Miss Ingle, Mrs Hoar and Mrs Holmes will be holding our annual Reception Curriculum Information evening on **Thursday 21st September** at 6pm in the main hall. Do come along to find out more about how the children learn in Reception. You can park on the playground for this.





Flu Vaccinations

Thursday 19th September

Earlier this week you should have received an email with information about this year's flu vaccination programme. Please read the letter recently sent and follow the instructions to accept or decline the vaccination for your child. The last day for responses is 16th September.

If you have any queries please contact Mrs Islam in the office.



Arbor

Please remember to inform us if any of your child's details or your emergency contact details have changed. This can be done via your Arbor App. If you are having difficulty in accessing the Arbor App, please email the office – admin@stipps.herts.sch.uk and we will do our best to assist you. Thank you.

Friendship bracelets, charity bands, paper wristbands etc

We have quite a few children wearing friendship bracelets etc the moment.

Please be reminded that these cannot be worn for school. Thank you.

Y6 Parents: A date for your diary

On **Wednesday 9th October at 6pm**, Miss Walker will be holding an information evening for Y6 parents and children about the 2025 Key Stage 2 assessments (SATs). You will be able to find out all about what the tests entail, look at past papers and find out how best you can support your child with their learning over the coming months.

Open Session – save the date!

Monday 7th October 3.30-5.30pm

For those parents and families new to the school, Open Session is when you are invited to come with your child to visit their classroom after school, meet the teacher, see your child's books and ask any questions you may have. It is an informal afternoon; you do not need an appointment and can 'drop-in' any time during the session and stay as long as you want. It isn't a one-to-one discussion with the teacher about your child's progress – these take place in Parent Consultation appointments later in the term.

Classes 3, 5, and 6: Use the Class 5/6 doors

Classes 1, 2 and 4: Use the main entrance

Please be aware that buggies and prams cannot be brought into the building.

We do hope you can come along and that you will enjoy seeing your child's new classroom, their books and teacher. You are welcome to bring grandparents/family members too.



PTA AGM - all welcome!

Wednesday 2nd October

7 - 8pm in the hall

Please join us for the first PTA meeting of the year, all are welcome!

We will be sharing fundraising ideas and making plans for the year ahead; we would love to have some new faces. It's a great way to get to know other parents whilst supporting the school too.

Hope to see you there!



Clubs start next week

Today, children in Years 1-6 should bring home their clubs sheet detailing which activities they have been given. Clubs start next week.

A reminder of the finish times – KS1 clubs finish at 4pm, and KS2 at the later time of 4.15pm.

Could you help us? Wellbeing Week 2024

Every year in October we hold our 'Wellbeing Week'; these are themed weeks designed around promoting positive wellbeing, emotional, mental and physical health.

This year our theme will be the 'Five Ways to Wellbeing'. For the 'keep learning' focus, we are looking for parents who could come in and help us by running a short workshop, talk or demonstration on **Thursday 17th October**.

Maybe you have a really interesting hobby? Maybe you play an instrument, an unusual sport, have a creative or artistic skill or have a really interesting job. If you think you have anything that you could offer us to help the children experience a range of opportunities, please do get in touch with Mrs Hoar on class1@stipps.herts.sch.uk

Many thanks.



TALK & LISTEN,
BE THERE,
FEEL CONNECTED



DO WHAT YOU CAN,
ENJOY WHAT YOU DO,
MOVE YOUR MOOD



REMEMBER
THE SIMPLE
THINGS THAT
GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW
EXPERIENCES,
SEE OPPORTUNITIES,
SURPRISE YOURSELF



Your time,
your words,
your presence

Incorrect date in last week's newsletter

The February half term date was wrong in last week's newsletter. The correct date is highlighted below 😊

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES TO MAKE A NOTE OF (subject to change)

Spring term 2025		Summer term 2025	
21/22 nd Jan	Arts Days	22 nd April	INSET Day
31 st Jan	Class 4 Cake Day	9 th May	C2 Assembly
3 rd Feb	Open Session	w/c 12 th May	Y6 SATs week
7 th Feb	C4 Assembly	16 th May	C2 Cake Day
13 th Feb	Y6 Parent Consultations	21 st May	SPORTS DAY
17 th – 21 st Feb	Half term	22 nd May	Reserve date for sports day
6 th Mar	World Book Day	26 th -30 th May	Half term
w/c 10 th Mar	Spring Assessment Week	w/c 2 nd June & w/c 9 th June	Summer assessments for Y1-5, inc Y4 MTC & Y1 phonics
21 st Mar	C3 assembly	6 th -9 th June	Y5/6 PGL School Journey
w/c 24 th Mar	Parent Consultations	13 th June	C1 Assembly
28 th Mar	C3 Cake Day	20 th June	PGL Assembly
3 rd April	Easter Service	20 th June	C1 Cake Day
4 th April	End of term 2pm	4 th July	PTA Summer Fair
		7-9 th July	KS2 Production
		10 th July	Transition Day
		17 th July	Leavers Service
		18 th July	End of term 2pm

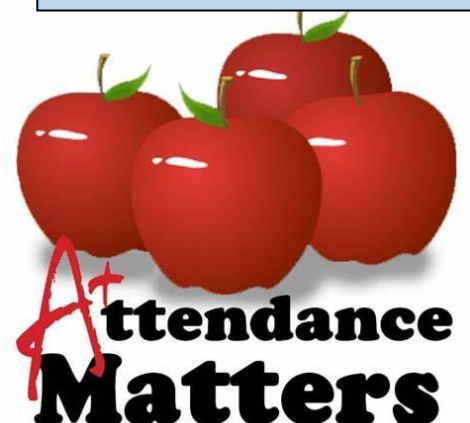


Term dates 2024 – 2025



A reminder that the school website calendar has all the dates on it if you need to find them easily.

AUTUMN TERM 2024	
2 nd September	INSET Day, no school for children
3 rd September	Autumn term begins for children
28 th Oct -1 st Nov	Half term week
20 th December	END OF TERM 2pm
SPRING TERM 2025	
6 th January	INSET Day, no school for children
7 th January	Spring term begins for children
17 th – 21 st February	Half term week
4 th April	END OF TERM 2pm
SUMMER TERM 2025	
22 nd April	INSET Day, no school for children
23 rd April	Summer term begins for children
26 th – 30 th May	Half term week
18 th July	END OF TERM 2pm
21 st July	INSET Day, no school for children
22 nd July	INSET Day, no school for children
23 rd July	Occasional Day. School closed to staff & children



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**HITCHIN
RUGBY CLUB**

**OPEN DAY
15TH SEPTEMBER**

FUN FILLED SESSIONS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 5 - 13

WHETHER YOU ARE NEW OR HAVE PLAYED BEFORE, THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN OUR INCLUSIVE CLUB TO DEVELOP INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM SKILLS, MAKE FRIENDS AND BUILD CONFIDENCE.

INTERESTED?

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