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NEWSLETTER

Issue 6: Thursday 15th October 2026

Wellbeing Week 2026

We had a wonderful time during our annual Wellbeing Week, exploring our theme of IN, OUT & UP! The children enjoyed a range of lovely stories, discussions, creative activities and opportunities to reflect on what helps us to feel happy, healthy and connected.

We thought about our IN moments – understanding ourselves, our feelings and emotions; our OUT moments – building positive relationships, showing kindness and celebrating our connections with others; and our UP moments – taking time to wonder, reflect and appreciate the world around us.

A particular highlight was a surprise visit from some very special alpacas! The children were absolutely delighted to meet them, and it was a truly memorable experience. A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA for organising this lovely surprise and helping to make our Wellbeing Week so special.

Shoeboxes

Next week Rev Andrew from Walsworth Road Baptist Church will be in school to launch this year's Link to Hope Christmas shoebox appeal. Details will be sent home after his visit. In the meantime please keep a look out for any empty shoeboxes at home. If you have any spare, we will happily take them off your hands to help families who want to support the appeal but don't have a box. Thank you!

Class 6 Assembly

Next Friday

9.15am

Class 6 Cake Day!

Tomorrow

Cakes 25p each

NHS FLU VACCINATIONS

WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

A reminder that we finish for half term next Friday 23rd October at the usual time of 3.15pm

Thank You for Joining Us at Brew with Stew

A huge thank you to all the parents who joined us for our Brew with Stew. It was lovely to see you, share a warm drink, enjoy an Irn bru (for me), and spend some time together.

We really appreciate you taking the time to come along and support us. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to catch up, connect, and share a little time with us, which happened to fall in Wellbeing Week.

We look forward to seeing you again soon!

Understanding Inclusion

Every child is unique, and we all learn, play and experience the world in different ways. Some children may think, feel, communicate or learn differently, and that's what makes us all special.

Inclusion means being kind, being patient and making sure everyone feels welcome, valued and included. A smile, a helping hand or an invitation to play can make a world of difference.

Remember, we don't have to be the same to belong together, we just need to be able to have those In, Out and Up moments, which I know the children would be able to explain to you from our Wellbeing Week.

SPORTS NEWS

Terrific Table Tennis!

Huge congratulations to the children who took part in this year's SSFT table tennis tournament. Our teams showed great determination and resilience – and it paid off!

The girls came home with first place and the boys came fourth.

Well done, teams - what a fantastic result!

SSFT Rowing Event

Last week our Year 5 and 6 children took part in the SSFT rowing event and what a fantastic effort they gave!

They showed incredible strength, determination and focus, giving it their all from start to finish. They achieved a fantastic time and supported each other brilliantly throughout the event.

A huge well done to everyone who took part

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

FREE

MHFA England

1 day Champion course designed specifically for Hertfordshire Parent/Carers of 8 to 18 year olds.

You will learn:

- An understanding of common mental health issues and how they can affect young people
- The ability to spot the signs of mental ill health in young people, and guide them to a place of support
- Knowledge and confidence to advocate for mental health awareness
- Skills to support positive wellbeing

Friday 13 Nov 2026 9.30am to 4pm	Peartree Spring Primary School, Stevenage, SG2 9GG	Parents/Carers	Parking available on roads near venue
Friday 12 Mar 2027 9.30am to 4pm	Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School, Hemel Hempstead, HP3 8ER	Parents/Carers	Parking available on site

To book your place please email schoolsmh@hertfordshire.gov.uk

St Ippolyts CE Primary School

Little Stipps

FREE to attend

Fun, friendly 'stay and play' sessions in the school hall for parents with babies and toddlers.

1.30pm – 3.00pm

Activities include:

- Storytime and singing
- Arts and crafts
- Toys and play
- Tea and chat for grown ups!

- 21st September 20
- 16th November 2026
- 11th January 2027
- 1st March 2027
- 19th April 2027
- 21st June 2027

You don't have to have a child at the school, everyone is welcome!

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