



Information and Dates for your Diary

Please see below some diary dates for you:

Sports Week w/c 20th June 2022

Occasional Day 27th June 2022

End of Term Thursday 21st July 2022; pupils leave at 1.30pm



Please note that all EHCP Annual Reviews will have the option to be conducted remotely via Teams or telephone or can be attended in person. A list of dates for the academic year can be found on the website.



Whole-School News



This week we welcomed Interplay for a sensory theatre experience. A huge dome went up in our Hall, and two classes at the time were invited to join the play 'My Life with the Wave'. It was amazing, and everyone really enjoyed it.

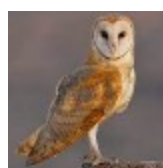
On Thursday, the children gathered in their House Teams to create banners for Sports Day. Please look out for these on Sports Day next Friday! It was lovely to see all the children helping each other and mixing across the ages. We are looking forward to seeing you next Friday!

We would also like to say 'Well done!' to our upper-school students this week, who have nearly completed all of their exams now. They have all worked very hard.

And last but not least a reminder that school remains closed on Monday 27th June, when all staff and pupils can enjoy an occasional day in aid of the Queen's Jubilee this year. Take a look at some photos from our celebrations just before half term.



Primary



Dolphin Class:

This week Dolphin Class have been learning about farm animals. They have listening to 'The three little pigs' and 'The pig in the pond'. They have then role-played these stories, building and exploring materials for houses and then enjoying lots of water play with the farm animals in a pretend pond. They have played with different farm animals, tractors and barns, sung lots of songs about different animals. In Maths they have worked on measuring and comparing length. They have enjoyed a special visit from Interplay with a sensory story in the Hall.

Bumblebee Class:

Bumblebee Class have had a very exciting week this week. The children have begun to learn about changes and have enjoyed exploring solids and liquids. In PBL, the children enjoyed investigating how they could melt chocolate and ice in their hands and change their states. In Number, the Bumblebees played dice games on the playground, and enjoyed playing 'Snakes and Ladders', too. The children all enjoyed visiting the hall for a sensory theatre show with Dolphin Class and joining their Houses to make posters for Sports Day.

Owl Class:

The children in Owl Class have been looking at changes in humans and the human life cycle. They have been practising their pairs of numbers that total 5 in Maths. In Cooking the children made jelly, observing how the chunks dissolved in the water. They enjoyed eating their jelly on Friday for snack to help keep them cool. The children enjoyed a visit to the hall for a sensory theatre show and joining their House Teams to make banners for Sports Day. In Music the children continued their music unit from Arts Week last week. They gave marks out of 10 to show what they thought of the different styles of music they heard.

Koala Class: In Literacy we described our setting to set our stories. In Numeracy we developed our understanding of number sequences. In Topic we started our new topic- Blitzed Britain, learning how WW2 started and the Blitz. In Life Skills we completed a litter pick, there was a lot of rubbish! We had a few different activities, which we really enjoyed- FitKidz with different PE equipment, making banners for Sports Day, an immersive theatre show and a water fight with Wombats and Sea Turtles!



Secondary News



Wombat Class: Wombat's have enjoyed creating a banner for Sports Day using their House colour. The whole class really enjoyed watching the Interplay sensory theatre production. There was lots to see, and it was a great story about the waves. The children had to think about their favourite sport, TV show or food and create a puzzle piece. In Maths this week, the class have continued to practise their artistic talents whilst learning about shapes by creating tangram pictures and shape monsters. We had an extra PE session with some tennis coaching from Phil on Wednesday. We continued with our class reading book, *Treasure Island*, in English, and on Friday had lots of fun keeping cool with the Sea Turtles and Koalas!

Hippopotamus Class:

Well, it's been a very hot week, but Hippo Class have kept on going, although we think we're all ready for the weekend. In Maths this week, the class learned more about angles, this time they found missing angles on straight lines. Some of the class also had a go at finding missing angles in triangles, using what they already knew about the properties of different kinds of triangles. In Science, we had a look at some fossils before finding out about how fossils are formed. The class had a great time on Tuesday visiting the sensory theatre production and they all enjoyed making banners with their Houses, ready for Sports Day next week.

Sea Turtle Class:

We have had a very exciting week this week. We had a great trip to Woburn on Tuesday. We saw so many amazing animals including giraffes, elephants and seals. At one point, we did think that we were going to be bringing home a 9th member of the class as one of the monkeys took a liking to the students in the blue bus!! On Wednesday, we did some exercises during a Fit Kidz session. We then had an excellent Therapeutic Theatre experience in a huge blow-up dome in the Hall—it was amazing! This was followed by a Tennis session with Wombats run by Phil. Thursday afternoon, we got into our House teams and created some banners for Sports Day next Friday. On Friday, we had a brilliant water fight with K Class and W Class, which cooled us all down nicely! Next week is Sports Week, which we are all looking forward to, especially our trip to Stanborough Lakes on Monday.

Vaquita Class: Another very busy week has flown past with lots of preparations for Sports Week activities looming. The class attended a session with their respective House groups to create an array of banners, flags and other memorabilia to support their teams on Sports Day next Friday. On Tuesday afternoon we also had the opportunity to attend a performance from a Sensory Theatre group - right here in school, under an amazing inflatable dome, with projected lights, music and dance. Meanwhile, in Maths pupils have really stretched themselves with working out the value of missing angles on a line and have just started a Science unit about 'Earth and Space', learning about evidence for the Flat-Earth Theory vs Earth-as-a Sphere.

Gorilla Class: Gorilla class have enjoyed creating a banner for sports day using their house colour. The whole class really enjoyed watching the Interplay sensory theatre production. There was lots to see and it was a great story about the waves. The children had to think about their favourite sport, TV show or food and create a puzzle piece. In maths the children continued to work on time and looked at o'clock and half past. We are getting deeper into the plot of *Treasure Island* with the crew of the *Hispaniola* landing on the mysterious island. An unusual activity linked to the text this week: the pupils had the chance to hide & 'overhear' a conversation and then to report back what they had heard!

Tasmanian Devil Class:

Tasmanian Devils Class have been working extremely hard despite the harsh climate weather we have had this week. In Art, we have been continuing to complete our 'Sewing Bee' Bookmarks. In Science, we have been looking at how to reproduce plants by taking cuttings and putting them into the water to see if they will grow roots to re-pot. In K&U, we have been looking at the importance of sources and key landscape areas when deciding where settlements should be located and why. In PSCH, we have continued learning about how to keep ourselves safe online. In Maths, we have been measuring the perimeter and area of larger spaces such as the playground, football pitch etc.

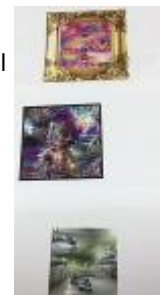


Elephant Class:

On Monday, Elephants joined Gorillas and Wombats for a 'Splash'tacular sessions with watering cans, paintbrushes and wheelchair tires! Photos can be seen on the Brilliant Bits page below! In Maths we have been exploring number bonds to 10 and 20, and in English we learned about Rudyard Kipling - the author of our class book. A lovely week for Elephants!

Lynx Class:

In English this week, we have started learning writing skills for FS Entry Level 2. Some of us have sat out FS Maths. In Cooking we made Brownies in a mug, they were tasty! In Maths we continue to learn about fractions. In Creative we learned about electronic art, using 'NightCafe' to create our work.



Upper School News



Panda Class:

This week we have welcomed back our Bendrigg adventurers who certainly had lots of positive things to say about their trip! We had our Maths exam this week, so we're very tired from all our studying. We have also been watching some very interesting documentaries that we spend time debating in class. Finally, we hope that you all stay cool in this hot weather - stay in the shade, wear a hat and drink plenty of water! We look forward to seeing some of you on Sports Day next Friday.

Lunchtime News from the MSAs

As it was very hot this week, football matches were shortened and 'Hide 'n' Seek' happened in the shade. A lot of water pistols were involved in keeping everyone cool on Thursday and Friday. A special treat of ice lollies further helped on Friday!

Governors News



Our Governing Boards met this week to look at all sorts of developments. Subject Leaders presented about their subjects at the School Development Board, and the Resources Board looked at the school's finances and financial planning. The Safeguarding and Wellbeing Board shared news and developments, too.

All Governors said thank you for the great celebrations on Jubilee Day on 27th May. A lot of our Governors were able to attend on the day and join in the celebrations.

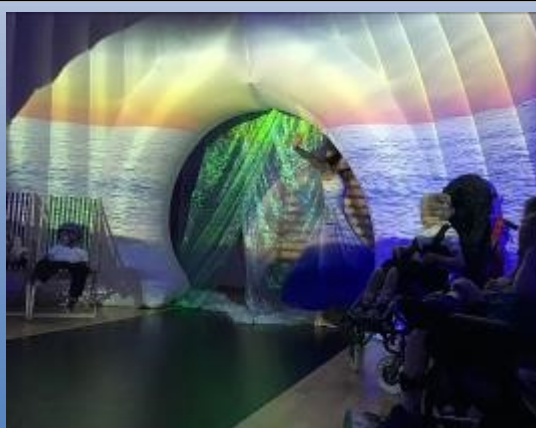


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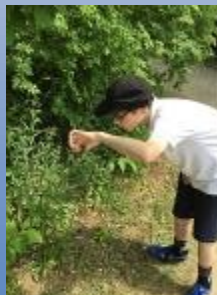


Photo Page — 'Jubilee Celebrations 27th May'

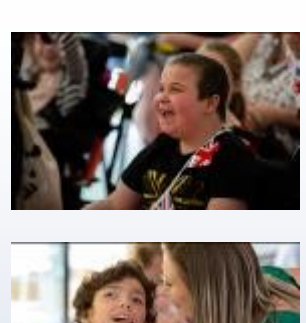
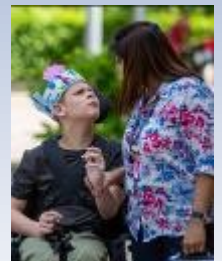
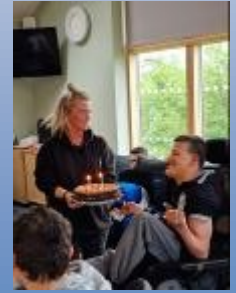
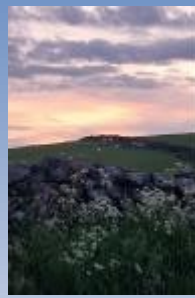


Photo Page — 'Bendrigg Trip June 2022'



Stevenage Day on Sunday 12th June 2022

Stevenage Day was a great event. Ten flags created by ten local groups together with Kinetika were flown at the parade. Lonsdale School joined some other Stevenage schools to create a flag for all young people at schools. Have a look at some photos below.



ADULT TRAINING NETWORK

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SKILLS FOR WORK
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- Our courses in ESOL will enable learners to apply the skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening in both their personal and working lives.
- Leading to a Qualification and/or a job as the next step.

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- Improve your lifestyle and reduce stress/anxiety during the current Covid 19 pandemic. Boost your self-esteem and wellbeing.
- Examples of positive lifestyle changes including healthy eating tips.

Skills for Work

- Creation of a CV. Preparing for and performing well at interview.
- Searching for a job online.
- Introduction to retail, customer service and business admin roles.

Digital Skills (IT)

- Digital Skills (IT) sessions for learners who have limited experience with computers. Learn a variety of Digital skills such as using Zoom, uploading CVs, using social media, safe internet browsing, downloading apps, emails.

For more information:

Email: tatiana@adult-training.org.uk

Tel: 07947330575, 0790811528 web: www.adult-training.org.uk

Venue: BTC, Bessemer Drive, Stevenage, SG1 2DX



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Supporting families for a brighter future



Grace's Space is a monthly Saturday club for
Children aged 3-14 who have a diagnosis of Autism and their families.
We meet on the first Saturday of the month from the Autumn term in October until July.

Providing Family sessions for children under 9 and sessions for children aged 9-14.

Family session 1 for under 9s 10-11.30am
Family session 2 for under 9s 12.30pm-2pm
Young people's session for 9-14s 2.30pm-4pm

Attendance is by registration only!

For more information or to register for a trial session please contact us:

Email: graces_space@live.co.uk
www.facebook.com/gracesspace1

Embracing the Difference!

Grace Community Church Hall · Hydean Way · Stevenage · SG2 9XJ

**Physical and
neurological impairment
advice line**

01442 453 920

Mondays 1.30pm - 4pm
(term time only)

Feel good Fridays

Memory Makers

Meet new people, join in with light-hearted quizzes to test your knowledge of the past, or play games.

10.30am - 12noon

Friday 27 May

Friday 24 June

Friday 29 July

Free



Lunch and listen

Enjoy a lunchtime talk. Subjects are varied but we hope you will always learn something new and interesting! Numbers are limited so please book in advance. Tea and coffee provided just bring your own sandwiches.

1-2pm

13 May Royal visits to Stevenage

10 June A Japanese journey

8 July Anglo-Saxon saints

£4 (£3.50 concessions)



Make it!

Come along, get creative and meet others who enjoy the fun and benefits of sewing, knitting and crochet. Just bring sandwiches and whatever you are working on or materials to start from scratch. Tea and Coffee provided.

12noon-2pm

May 6 & 20

June 17 & 24

July 1 & 15

Free



Saturday film & afternoon tea

Suitable for over 12s.

Booking essential

12.30- 2pm.

28 May

25 June

30 July

27 August

£7.50



Events for All

Town's Got Talent exhibition opening

Saturday 2 July 11am-4pm

A jam-packed event to celebrate the opening of our 'Town's Got Talent' exhibition, all about Stevenage's sports stars. Meet Paul Fry, the author of the book which inspired the exhibition, as well as some of the inspirational sportspeople who feature in the exhibition. Try your hand at cup stacking and other activities to get you moving, as well as arts and crafts for all ages. **Cost: Free**

For families

Family Saturdays

11am-12noon and 2-3pm

14 May **Elmer**

Colourful elephant crafts

11 June **Music making**

Use junk materials to make shakers and more.

9 July **Bugs**

Find out some fun bug related facts, make ladybirds, butterflies and snails to take home alongside some bug-friendly things you can do in your garden to help protect these important little creatures.

August **Sundials**

See how sundials help tell the time, make your own and then add a twist.

Free

Dance

Get moving together and explore the museum in this fun session led by Hannah from BEE Creative.

10-11.30am

Wednesday 4 May

Wednesday 8 June

Wednesday 6 July

Cost: free, but donations welcome.



Under 5s

Stories, games and art and craft fun. For children under 5 and their parents and carers.

1.30-2.30pm

Thursday 12 May Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy

Thursday 9 June All things fishy

Thursday 14 July You can't take an elephant on the bus

£2.50 (£1 concessions)

Holiday activities

Summer half term

Wednesday 1 June

10am-12noon and 2-4pm

Drop in arts and crafts.

Free, a small charge for some activities and donations welcome.



Summer Holidays

3 August – 26 August

11am-12noon and 2-3pm

Week 1 Tudors

Week 2 Sports

Week 3 Romans

Week 4 All things arty

£4 (£2 concessions)

Please book to avoid disappointment

Please book in advance as places go very quickly, and if you can't make it, it would be great if you could let the museum know so that someone else can use the space.

Stevenage Football Club would like to offer a complimentary ticket for their new North Stand to our students and of course their carer or family member to any of their home games.

I have copied a link to their fixture list: <https://www.stevenagefc.com/news/fixtures/> so if you are interested in any of those, please contact cthiele@lonsdale.herts.sch.uk

The screenshot shows the Stevenage FC website. The header is red with the club name 'Stevenage FC' on the left, the club crest in the center, and 'OFFICIAL CLUB PARTNER' with 'prime gaming' and the EFL logo on the right. A navigation bar below the header contains links: 'News & Fixtures', 'Buy Tickets', 'Shop', 'Match Centre', and 'More'. On the right of the navigation bar is a 'Sign in/Register' link. The main content area is titled 'Matches' and has two tabs: 'Fixtures' (selected) and 'Results'. A banner for 'EFL FIXTURES 2021/22' is displayed, with the text 'Sync now to receive the 2021/22 fixture list to your calendar.' and a 'SYNC NOW' button. To the right of the text is an image of a smartphone showing the fixture list app. The banner also features the club crest and the hashtag '#EFLfixtures'.



INCLUSIVE ACADEMY

DANCE SCHOOL



Offering inclusive dance sessions to those who rarely get offered the opportunity to dance!

Inclusive academy aims to give people who do not always get the opportunities to enjoy music, movement, and most of all, *dance*, the time to benefit from all three in an accepting environment.


Location: Community Arts Centre, Roaring Meg, Stevenage, Hertfordshire.


When: Term time Saturdays (timetable and term dates are on our website).



For more information or to show your support, check out our website and social media!

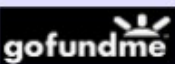


 Website: inclusiveacademydanceschool.com

 Facebook: [inclusive.academy](https://www.facebook.com/inclusive.academy)

 Instagram: [@inclusive_academy](https://www.instagram.com/inclusive_academy)

 Twitter: [@InclusiveAcade1](https://twitter.com/InclusiveAcade1)

 <https://gofund.me/ea00025e>

*Inclusive Academy: Making
Dance Accessible For All*



Enjoy the outdoors but 'be tick aware' this Spring

1. WHAT IS A TICK?

Ticks are small, spider-like creatures that feed on the blood of animals, including people.

The size of a tick can vary, with a larva being as small as a tiny freckle, and fully fed females similar in size to a baked bean.

Tick attached to skin



Tick in the environment



2. WHERE DO YOU FIND TICKS?

Ticks live in many habitats but prefer moist areas with leaf litter or longer grass, like in woodland, grassland, moorland, heathland and some urban parks and gardens.

Ticks don't fly or jump. They wait on vegetation for a host to pass by, and then climb on.

They bite and attach to the skin and feed on blood for several days, before dropping off.

Ticks are found throughout the year, but are most active between spring and autumn

3. HOW TO AVOID TICKS

Walk on clearly defined paths to avoid brushing against vegetation

Wear light-coloured clothes so ticks can be spotted and brushed off

Use repellents such as DEET

Carry out a tick check

4. HOW TO DO A TICK CHECK

Check clothes and body regularly for ticks when outdoors and when you get home

Check children and pets as well

Areas that ticks may frequently be found include skin folds, armpits, groin, waistband area, back of the neck and hairline.

Adults are commonly bitten on the legs

Children are commonly bitten on the head or neck area

Bites can occur anywhere on the body and more than one tick can be attached at one time

5. IF YOU HAVE BEEN BITTEN

Remove ticks as soon as possible

Use a pair of fine-tipped tweezers or a tick removal tool.

Grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible and pull upwards slowly and firmly, as mouthparts left in the skin can cause a local infection

Clean the bite area and monitor it for several weeks for any changes.

Ticks can transmit bacteria that cause diseases such as Lyme disease.

Contact your GP promptly if you feel unwell with flu-like symptoms or Develop a spreading circular red rash - tell them you were bitten by a tick or have recently spent time outdoors

Tick removal with tweezers



Lyme disease bullseye rash



About Carers in Hertfordshire

We are a leading charity that supports unpaid carers throughout Hertfordshire.

We are partly funded by Hertfordshire County Council and the NHS in Hertfordshire. In partnership with them and other local organisations we provide services to carers to help them with their caring role, improve their health and wellbeing, give them a break from caring and have a voice in shaping services for them.

We support carers of all ages, including children, and our services are free of charge.

Carers in Hertfordshire

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Email: contact@carersinherts.org.uk

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Our support for parents and carers.

We have Involvement and Development Workers supporting carers of someone with a mental health condition or who misuses drugs or alcohol, who can provide information relevant to your caring role and can help you to speak up to those providing or planning local services.

We also:

- Give you a chance to meet and talk to other parents, carers and staff who understand;
- Give you the opportunity to represent your views to the authorities that commission and manage CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services) in Hertfordshire;
- Provide training and learning opportunities;
- Offer a Carers' Passport Discount Card that gives savings in shops, restaurants and other venues (contact us to apply for one today!)



SEND families



SEND DROP IN

3rd Monday in every month – 10.00 – 11.30am

Bedwell Family Centre, Unit 2-3 Bedwell Park, Stevenage, SG1 1NB

FREE bookable session

SESSION DETAILS

Are you a Parent of a Child with Special Needs?

If so you will be very welcome to attend our SEND Drop In. You will have an opportunity to discuss any concerns you may have, find out information about local support groups, meet other families. Your child does not need to have had a formal diagnosis

We can provide a friendly ear and a safe space to talk.

Children are welcome to attend with you or you can attend on your own. Children are welcome, no diagnosis needed.

HOW TO BOOK

Log onto our Eventbrite page
to book your place
<https://barnardos-stevenage.eventbrite.co.uk>

MORE INFORMATION

hertsfamilycentres.org Call us
on: 0300 123 7572



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**A 'quick queries' service for parents, carers, and young people
(16-25) in Hertfordshire**

Please call if you would like to speak directly to an Educational Psychologist to discuss a child or young person's development, learning or emotional wellbeing, or to find out more about our service.



**From September 2020 Contactline will be available
Wednesday from 2:00pm to 4:30pm**

If you are from an Educational setting and have a query, your school has a link Educational Psychologist with whom any requests for involvement can be raised.



SEND Advice for Parents/Carers

*Helpful SEND advice lines
for Parents and Carers*

Advice line	Times available (from Sept 2020)
<i>Educational Psychology Contact line</i> 📞 01992 588574	Weds 2pm – 4:30pm
<i>SEND Specialist Advice and Support Service*</i> 📞 01442 453920 - term time only	<i>Specific Learning Difficulties:</i> Mon & Thurs 09:30am – 12pm
	<i>Speech Language, Communication & Autism needs:</i> Tues & Weds 1:30pm – 4pm
	<i>Early Years:</i> Weds 9am – 12pm Thurs 1:30pm – 4pm
	<i>Physical and Neurological Impairment:</i> Mon 1:30pm – 4pm
<i>West team Attendance Duty*</i> 📞 01442 454778	Mon - Fri 09:30 am – 4pm
<i>East team Attendance Duty*</i> 📞 01992 555261	Mon - Fri 09:30 am – 4pm

* also available to schools, settings and professionals

Cyberbullying

What is Cyberbullying and online Harassment?

- Cyberbullying is any form of bullying which takes place online.
- This can be done over smartphones, tablets, online gaming, chat rooms, social media and more.
- Online harassment is the act of sending offensive, rude and insulting messages and being abusive.
- If someone purposefully keeps sending you offensive messages that make you feel scared, it could be illegal.



Cyberbullying is NOT ACCEPTABLE

- Bullying someone whether online or offline is wrong.
- It can badly affect their mental health.
- Harassing someone and/or sending malicious or threatening messages to someone repeatedly is **ILLEGAL**.
- If you are found to be cyberbullying someone, there could be criminal consequences.

What to do if you are being cyberbullied

If someone is bullying you, here is what you can do to put a stop to it....get **SMART**.

Screenshot any nasty messages.

My privacy settings.

Avoid talking to them any further.

Report the incident on whatever site you are using.

Talk to someone (parent, carer, teacher, friend or the police if necessary).

How to cope with the effects of Cyberbullying

- You must not blame yourself. No one deserves to be treated cruelly by anyone.
- It can make you feel very upset, alone and like no one will understand or help you.
- **REMEMBER** you are not alone and there are lots of people who can help you. Make sure you tell someone and do not try to deal with this on your own.
- For confidential help and advice: NSPCC nspcc.org.uk or Bullying UK bullying.co.uk

When to tell the Police

- If you are ever threatened with physical harm, being repeatedly harassed, being sent malicious messages.
- If it's not an immediate emergency, phone **101** or use our online webchat service.
- If it is an immediate emergency phone **999**.

www.safe4me.co.uk/portfolio/cyber-bullying/

safe4me

Visit the Student Area on our website www.lonsdale.herts.sch.uk! You can find lots of activities in the “All Sorts of Things...” tab. Daily Home Learning Plan can be found in your class area for pupils who are not attending school.



HOME - STUDENT AREA

Welcome

To access this area we need you to login using the username and password provided to you by the school. Please enter this information below and click login to proceed.

If you have forgotten your username and/or password please contact the school.

Username:

Password:

[Forgotten your password?](#)

Log on to find out more!

Then explore your class area and look at 'Ideas Shared by and for Parents'.

Maybe send your feedback?

HOME > STUDENT AREA > IDEAS SHARED BY AND FOR PARENTS

Ideas Shared by and for Parents


This page is full of ideas which have been sent to us by parents. Thank you, all!

Keep your ideas and thoughts coming; we will update this page regularly...


To get in touch, please email your child's form tutor or use the 'Home Learning Questions' tab.

Have you seen those?


Free Daily Resources For Children




PE with Joe Wicks On YouTube
Week days at 9am but you can visit any time on youtube to view the workout.




Wildlife With with Steve Backshall On Facebook
Every day at 9:30am for answering all your wildlife, biology, conservation, geography and exploration questions.




Science with Maddie Moate on YouTube
Weekdays 11am. Maddie & Greg chat about science and nature!




Dance with Oti Mabuse On Facebook
Every day at 11.30am but children can view the class at any time.



Maths With Carol Vorderman
Free access to the her maths website: www.themathsfactor.com



Music with Myleene Klass on YouTube
Twice a week. Next one Friday 27 March 10am, but can view any time.



Storytime With David Walliams
Free story everyday at 11am on his website: www.worldofdavidwalliams.com

ALL SORTS OF THINGS...

BUMBLEBEES

DOLPHINS

ELEPHANTS

GORILLAS

HIPPOS

KOALAS

LYNX

OWLS

PANDAS

SEA TURTLES

TASMANIAN DEVILS

VAQUITAS

WOMBATS

JOIN THE SPRING WATCH!