



End of Spring Term Newsletter

Wednesday 27th March 2024



Neil's End of Term Words

This term has seen the introduction of 'The Hatch' which has proved a great addition to support cross-curricular learning, use of functional communication and supporting classes to mix and socialise.

Thank you all again for your continued support and generous donations towards the adventure playground and butterfly memorial garden project. We are hoping to organise opening events for June.

We hope everyone has a fun and safe Easter Holiday and we look forward to seeing the children for the start of the Summer Term on *Tuesday 17th April*.

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Celebrating the Lunar New Year

RE and Sensory Week (5th-9th February 2024) was celebrating the Lunar New Year which is the beginning of the new year based on the lunar calendar.

Pupils celebrated by making different pieces of artwork inspired by the Lunar New Year celebrations such as dragon masks, lanterns and cherry blossom trees. Class 4 hosted the 'China Garden Takeaway' in the newly opened learning space, The Hatch, which several classes visited and enjoyed eating afterwards. Each class was paired up with another class and they had to exchange letters, messages or pictures inside of a red envelope which brings the receiver good luck and prosperity. Classes took part in Dragon races in the PE hall which involved competing against each other in four different activities based on animals from the Chinese Zodiac. A sensory story based on the tale of 'The Great Race' was based in the Sensory Room, alongside a range of different costumes for the pupils to try on.



The Hatch

We have recently opened a new learning space at the school called 'The Hatch'. Alex, Middle Leader said "The Hatch is a purpose built room that provides pupils with the opportunity to engage with café and shop role plays. This provides pupils with the opportunity to practice and learn new skills, before they apply them in a community context. Pupils can use this learning environment to practice their use of functional communication and learn how to prepare for real life situations. Creating spaces such as 'The Hatch' enables teaching staff to plan cross-curricular learning experiences that relate to life within the safety of the school grounds."



Mudlarks

Students 2 have been going to Mudlarks and playing the game 'Grid Log'. Pupils have had to search areas around the woods for different coloured logs and then collect them to complete a full grid set of 9 coloured logs.



Amwell View School are expecting Ofsted within the next two terms. We appreciate the time that you took to complete this last academic year, but unfortunately Ofsted Parent View is a yearly process and we would really appreciate you completing this again.

We are looking forward to welcoming the inspectors into our amazing school and for the children and staff to show them all of the learning that takes place. Both ourselves and Ofsted really value parents and families feedback and we would really appreciate you taking the time to complete the Ofsted Parent View form. Thank you.

Please visit <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>



Electric Umbrella

We welcomed Electric Umbrella ([@electricbrolly](#)) into our Music Department for a fun filled musical experience recently. Please take a look at the [session here](#).



Science Week

Amwell View pupils celebrated British Science Week focusing on the topic of 'Time'. They made sand timers, water clocks and drawing connections using movement. Classes focused on camouflage hunts around the school building and in The Dell to see how quickly they could find the camouflaged pictures and the camouflaged bags with surprises inside. Classes 4, St2 and Community Class completed 'Get Set Jelly' activity to see how long it took to set the jelly when they added pineapple to it. Everyone had a great week of activities!



Maths Week

Our annual Maths Week was themed 'Magical Maths'. Classes took part in a variety of magical maths activities throughout the week. Pupils had a special visit from [@sallysquiggle](#). Sally incorporated a range of Maths topics in short sessions for each class. They absolutely adored it! Please take a look at [Magical Maths week reel here](#).



We hope you have been enjoying seeing what we've been up to in school and in the community.

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SUMMER Term Dates

- ◆ **Tues 16th April** School Opens to Pupils for Summer Term
- ◆ **Wed 17th April** Class 2 Achievement Assembly 2.50-3.20pm
- ◆ **Wed 25th April** Class 11 Achievement Assembly 2.50-3.20pm
- ◆ **Wed 1st May** Class 1 Achievement Assembly 2.50-3.20pm
- ◆ **Mon 6th May** Bank Holiday - School Closed
- ◆ **Wed 8th & Thurs 9th May** Dental School Screening
- ◆ **Mon 20th May** Lower School Show 9.45am
- ◆ **Tues 21st May** Lower School Show 9.45am
- ◆ **Wed 22nd May** Upper School Show 9.45am
- ◆ **Thurs 23rd May** Upper School Show 9.45am
- ◆ **Fri 24th May** Pupils Break Up for Half Term
- ◆ **Mon 27th - Fri 31st May** Half Term
- ◆ **Mon 3rd June** School Opens to Pupils

- ◆ **Wed 5th June** Class 10 Achievement Assembly 2.50-3.20pm
- ◆ **Wed 12th June** Foundation 3 Achievement Assembly 2.50-3.20pm
- ◆ **Wed 12th June** Parents' Consultation Evening 6-8pm
- ◆ **Tues 18th June & Wed 19th June** Sports Days at Wodson Park 9.30-1pm
- ◆ **Wed 26th June** Class 9 Achievement Assembly 2.50-3.20pm
- ◆ **Fri 28th June** INSET Staff Training Day
- ◆ **Wed 3rd July** Foundation 2 Achievement Assembly 2.50-3.20pm
- ◆ **Wed 10th July** Foundation 1 Achievement Assembly 2.50-3.20pm
- ◆ **Wed 17th July** HPV1 Year 8 Immunisation Session
- ◆ **Mon 22nd July** Leavers' Service and Lunch (Parents & families of leavers)
- ◆ **Tues 23rd July** Pupils break up at 2:30pm —End of Summer Term

Please note: there will be no parking available in the Front Entrance Carpark of the school for all Achievement Assemblies due to transport arrival times.



English Week

During English Week, all pupils enthusiastically participated in a Dance workshop conducted by an external agency. The session, led by Michelle the Dance Coach, featured immersive activities revolving around literary classics including 'The Enormous Turnip' and 'The Elves and the Shoemaker'. Michelle used captivating music, creative props, and dynamic movement, which ensured that every student was fully engaged and immersed in the magical world of storytelling through dance.



World Book Day

To celebrate English week and World Book Day, we have been swapping our favourite books with other classes at 'The Hatch' and coming together to share stories in group storytelling sessions.

[Click here for the World Book Day reel.](#)



Table Cricket

A group of pupils from Class 9 represented Amwell View School at the Hertfordshire County Table Cricket competition, hosted by Lonsdale School. They competed against pupils from other schools in the area and loved developing their batting, bowling and fielding skills in a competitive tournament.



Easter Egg Hunt



Lenny's Bake Sale

Well done to Lenny and his family, who raised a whopping £1000 at Lenny's Bake Sale. We want to say a biggest thank you for all their hard work and fundraising for us.

