



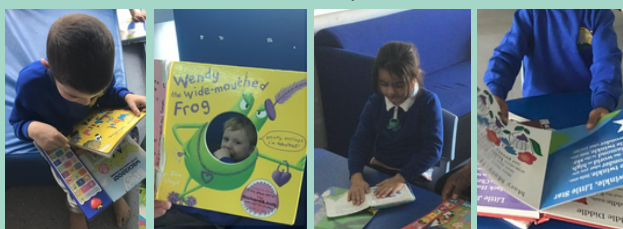
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SCHOOL NEWS

CLASS UPDATE

Bluebird

The children in Bluebird class have been enjoying our daily independent reading sessions. During these they engage with a variety of books, either on their own or with an adult if they choose to.



Wren

As part of our explore galore week, Wren class have been exploring all the elements from the story "We're going on a bear hunt" and hunting for bears in different media. We've had lots fun exploring textures with our hands and feet!



Swift

Swift class have been transitioning weekly to outdoor learning. This is an enjoyable session for all our students. Lots of us like being outdoors. We often make use of the outdoor learning mud kitchen. Toy food and pumpkins made this more exciting. The children in Swift class enjoyed playing with the toy food at the table as well as making different mud soups.

The staff definitely didn't go hungry with the meals that were on offer. We also used our imaginative play in the outdoor area, lots of us enjoy climbing trees and exploring the other areas.



MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL

Next week on **Wednesday 15th October** it is Parents' Evening. This is an opportunity to discuss your child's progress, share their achievements, and discuss how we can continue working together to support their learning and wellbeing. We know that every child's journey is unique, and your insight as a parent or carer is incredibly valuable, so we really do encourage you to make an appointment. The appointment can be either in person, online on Microsoft Teams, or on the phone. If you are not able to make the 15th of October, please do speak with your child's teacher and they will be happy to arrange an appointment on an alternative date.

At Parents' Evening there will be tea and coffee available in the school hall, as well as an opportunity to try our school meals with the school Catering Team. Therapists will be available on the evening to have a chat with. There will also be photos and work on display in the school hall from our "Explore Galore" curriculum event this week, so that is a great opportunity for you to see that.

I look forward to seeing lots of you on Wednesday!

Marianne

YOUR TRASH OUR TREASURE!

We are after the following items for our play:

- Wooden tongs
- Wooden beads (large)
- Small perspex boxes
- Plastic/metal/wooden scoops
- Woven baskets/bowls
- Metal trays/baking trays
- Pie tins
- Pot pourri
- Brushes – paint, shaving, body, loofas
- Metal sieves/saucepans
- Crates
- Wooden rings
- Metal tins (like biscuit)
- Silicone fidgets
- Cork blocks/shapes/champagne
- Wooden pegs
- Guttering
- Allen keys
- Plastic glasses frames (no glass)
- Feathers picture frames (no glass)
- Plastic cookie cutters
- Curtain rings
- Ribbons Metal bowls

There will be a table at Parents' Evening for you to leave any items:

loose parts
donation station

Thank you!

Debbie Brennan
Class Teacher



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SIGN OF THE WEEK

Core Word



SCHOOL MEALS

SCHOOL MEAL ORDERING FOR NEXT HALF TERM:

A reminder that the Arbor school meals ordering window will **CLOSE** at **12noon** this **Monday** (13th October). This is for the school meals for next half term (Monday 3rd November to Friday 19th November).

- Please access your school meals via the Arbor App or the online Arbor Portal to order your meal choice for your child's school meals
- The menu is available from our website - [view here](#).
- Please ensure you select a meal for each date that it is required. If a school meal is not ordered, this means we will be expecting a home supplied packed lunch for that day
- You can choose any meal for any day - [A reminder that the meat used in our meals is not kosher or halal](#)
- Payment of £3.00 per meal is to be paid via the Arbor App or Portal

If you do not order school meals for your child/ren, please ensure they bring in a HOME SUPPLIED packed lunch on each day.

Please ensure any communication regarding school lunches is via Arbor or the school office. This should not be done via the home-school diaries.

If you have any questions or queries, please contact us as soon as possible.

MASKS FOR MASKS

The children in the Early Rise Department made masks for MASKS day. Here are some examples.

Early Years Rise Department



CALENDAR



Wednesday 15th October

Parents' Evening

Thursday 16th October

MASKS Coffee Morning - 10am

Friday 24th October

School Photographer

Last day of Term

****Half term: 27th to 31st October****

Monday 3rd November

Pupils return to school

Friday 14th November

Children In Need

Saturday 29th November

MASKS Christmas Fayre - MASKS

Thursday 10th December

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 15th - Thursday 18th December

Christmas Production

Friday 19th December

Last day of Term

****Christmas Break: 22nd December to 2nd January**

Monday 5th January - INSET Day**

Tuesday 6th January

Pupils return to school



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USEFUL INFORMATION

There are a number of online parenting courses, family support groups, and free fun play sessions in Aylesbury over the next few months, please see below posters for full details.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL
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Wellbeing matters
For 7 to 11 year olds

A one-day workshop during the October half-term for primary-aged young people. Topics will include your wellbeing, emotions, self-esteem, resilience, and relationships with others.

Spaces are limited, secure your place now!

For more information or to register your interest please contact us by:
Email: familyhubgroups@buckinghamshire.gov.uk
Phone: 01296 383293

Southcourt Family Centre Plus - HP21 8DP
Wednesday 29 October 2025 | 10am to 2pm

Burnham Family Centre - SL1 8DP
Wednesday 29 October 2025 | 10am to 2pm

Castlefield Family Centre - HP12 3LL
Thursday 30 October 2025 | 10am to 2pm

Helen & Douglas House Community Hub Open Day
Thursday 30th Oct

Explore Helen & Douglas House Children's Hospice care and services, and help shape our future Community Hubs



Learn more or RSVP at hdb.org.uk/hdhcommunityhub

Who can attend?
Children who are eligible* for our care are warmly invited to attend, along with their families and siblings. We also welcome local healthcare professionals.
*Eligibility - children and young people, aged 0-18, who have a life-limiting or life-shortening condition.

What to expect

- Have fun whilst learning more about the care, services and activities we provide
- Help us understand the support we could offer in your area
- Meet Helen & Douglas House staff, including those from nursing, physiotherapy, play, family & bereavement support, social work, siblings and youth & transition

Further details
Time: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm - Please RSVP (AM & PM drop-ins available).
Location: PACE Centre, 156 Wendover Rd, Aylesbury, HP22 5TE. PACE is an accessible venue with free parking and accessible toilets.
Refreshments available.

You're helping to create our Helen & Douglas House Community Hub in 2026.
info@hdb.org.uk
hdb.org.uk

Helen & Douglas House
your local children's hospice

Pace
the pepper foundation
Registered charity no. 1050014

ONGOING EVENTS

ParkPlay

Park Play Aylesbury

Park Play is for everyone - children, teenagers, and adults! With a variety of fun activities for the whole family to enjoy, there's something for all ages. This Saturday, join us for a game of football, basketball or tag rugby.



Every Saturday Morning
10am - 2pm
Alfred Rose Park, Aylesbury
HP20 2DF

APE Activity Camps

Buckinghamshire Council

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Free Parenting Programmes

Our parenting programmes will help you develop new and existing parenting skills, offer advice and build your confidence as a parent.



LITTLE TALKERS
18 months to 3 years old

- Focuses on children's speech, language and communication skills and how parents can promote them
- Designed by Buckinghamshire Speech and Language Therapy

PARENT PUZZLE
0 to 5 years old

- Understand challenges and how to address them
- How to support your child's growth for calmer parenting

TALKING TEENS
11 to 18 years old

- Focuses on relationships within the family, communication, negotiating, decision-making and strategies to reduce conflict
- Learn more about teenagers and their needs

THE NURTURING PROGRAMME
3 to 11 years old

- Help deal with the challenges that come with parenting
- Think about what we do, why we do it and how it makes us feel

BALANCEABILITY
2.5 to 5 years old

- Accredited learn to cycle programme
- Develops confidence, spatial awareness, dynamic balance, and how to ride without stabilisers

KEEPING YOUR CHILD IN MIND
All ages

- Work together in ways that support growing children and a calmer family life
- Explore the conflict between parents/carers both in a current or previous relationship

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Have a great weekend.

Bradley Taylor, Principal

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