NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 6TH
2026



Upcoming Dates:

Monday 2nd November
Harvest Hamper Competition Week

Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th November
Parents' Evening

Thurday 12th November
School photos

Friday 13th November
Children in Need- dress up day

Monday 16th November
Anti- Bullying Week - Wear odd socks!

Wednesday 18th November
Behaviour Curriculum Workshops

Friday 20th November
School Pantomime

Friday 4th December
School Christmas Fair

Tuesday 8th December
Y1/2 Nativity Dress Rehersal

Wednesday 9th December
Y1/2 Nativity for parents & Y5

Thursday 10th December
Y1/2 Nativity for parents & Y6

Tuesday 15th December
10:00- Rocksteady Concert
Christmas Dinner Day KS1

Wednesday 16th December
Christmas Dinner Day KS2

Friday 18th December
End of term- finish at 1:30pm

Message from Summerswood

Welcome back!
We hope you all had a lovely half-term break and enjoyed some time to relax and recharge. It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back, and we are looking forward to another exciting half-term together.
We have a very busy few weeks ahead, with lots of exciting events, activities and opportunities for the children to get involved in. Please take a little time to look carefully through the upcoming dates and events in this newsletter so that you don't miss anything!
We absolutely love welcoming parents and families into school and value the opportunities we have to share the children's learning and celebrate their achievements with you. There will be plenty of opportunities to join us over the coming weeks, and we can't wait to see you in school.

A very special celebration!
This weekend is a particularly exciting one for Miss Mitchell, as she is getting married! The children did a wonderful job this week of singing a special song and presenting her with a beautiful whole-school card to celebrate the occasion. It was such a lovely way to show Miss Mitchell how much she means to our school community. We would like to wish Miss Mitchell and her future husband a truly wonderful wedding weekend and a lifetime of happiness together. We can't wait to welcome her back next week as Mrs Turner!

Happy Diwali!
We would like to wish all of our families who are celebrating a very happy Diwali! We hope you enjoy a wonderful time celebrating with family and friends.

Mrs Young

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Anti-Bullying Week 2026 – Break the Silence
Monday 16th November – Friday 20th November

As a school we will be taking part in Anti-Bullying Week 2026, with this year's theme being 'Break the Silence'.
Throughout the week, children will take part in a range of discussions and activities to help them understand what bullying is, why it is important to speak up and how we can all play a part in creating a safe, kind and supportive school community. We will explore how speaking out can help stop bullying, support others and ensure that everyone knows who they can turn to for help if they are worried about something.

We will kick-start the week on Monday 16th November with Odd Socks Day! Children are invited to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique and to remind us that it is okay to be different.

We encourage families to continue these important conversations at home. The Anti-Bullying Alliance has created a helpful Parent and Carer Pack, which includes resources and ideas to help you talk to your child about bullying, whatever their age.

Parent and carer pack



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ATTENDANCE

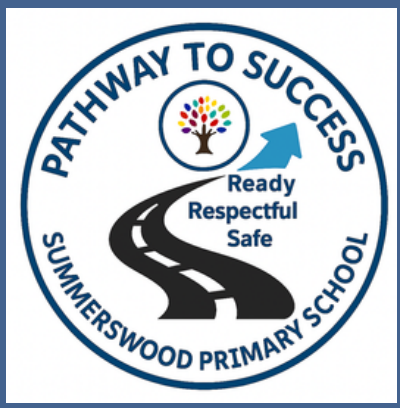
Whole school attendance: 94.8%

EYFS Peter Pan	1A	1D	2A	2J	3/4Q
98.5%	91.3%	92.3%	97.9%	98.2%	90.4%
3/4R	3/4W	5B	5S	6M	6O
97.9%	94.8%	98.4%	95.6%	98.2%	92.3%

Biscuit will visit the class with the highest weekly attendance
Classes with 100% will get an extra 5 minutes playtime!

PATHWAY TO SUCCESS

This week, some of our fantastic Pathway Ambassadors led our Pathway to Success assembly, focusing on how we can stay safe during firework celebrations. They did a brilliant job of sharing important safety messages with their peers, reminding everyone about the dangers of fireworks and sparklers and how we can make sensible choices to keep ourselves and others safe. We discussed the importance of fireworks only ever being handled by responsible adults and following safety advice when watching displays. We are incredibly proud of our Pathway Ambassadors for confidently leading the assembly and demonstrating what it means to be Ready, Respectful and Safe!





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SPORTING SELFIES

At Summerswood, we would like to celebrate the sporting achievements of our students. If your child wins a medal, a trophy or a certificate,we ask that you send a selfie, or a photo, of your child holding their achievement. Mr Jolley and Miss McNamara will put these photos on the PE display in the dining hall.

Please email any photos to:

admin@summerswood.herts.sch.uk

HARVEST HAMPER COMPETITION!

A huge well done to everyone who took part in this year's Harvest Hamper Competition! Valeria from Gratitude had a very difficult job choosing our winners, as the creativity and generosity were fantastic.

Congratulations to Reception Peter Pan, 1 Donaldson, 5 Southgate and Acorns and Oaks! Valeria loved the children's pumpkin patch, the incredible quantity of food donated, the clever market stall design and the colourful tissue paper and scarecrows.

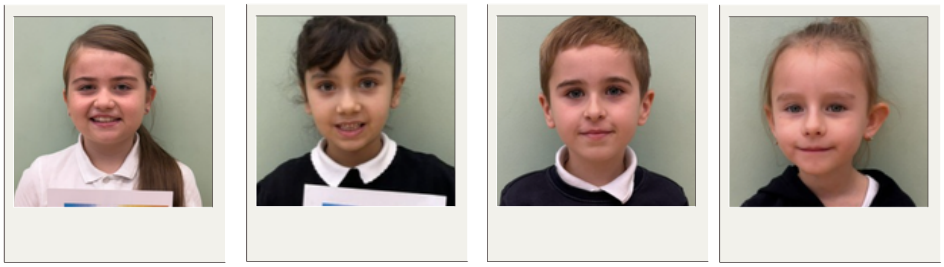
The generosity of our school community was truly amazing. In fact, there were so many donations that Gratitude needed both a van and a car to collect everything! Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped us make such a difference to our local community.



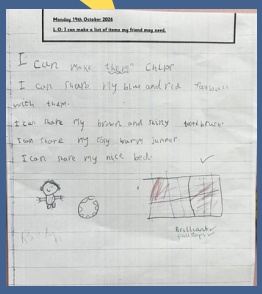


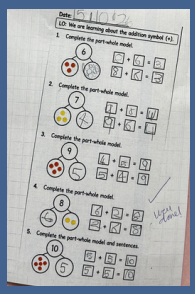
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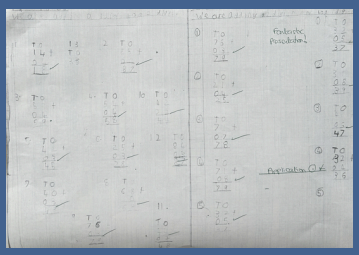


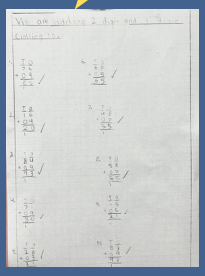


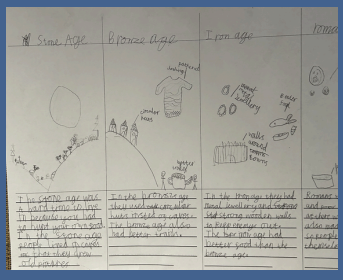
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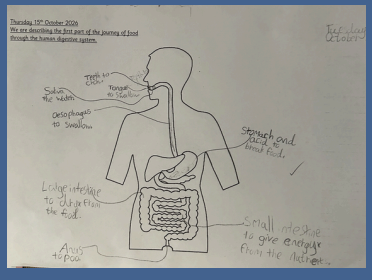


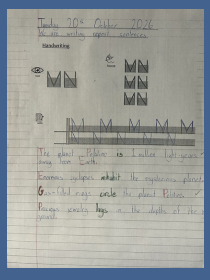


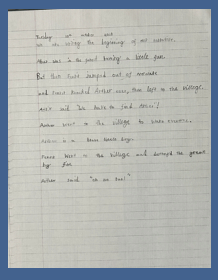


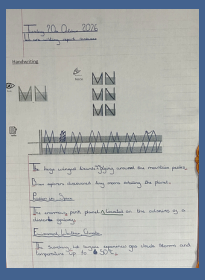












Well done to this week's presentation award winners.

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