

Newsletter



Love Live & Learn

27th March 2026

Issue 04



Headteacher's message

Dear families,

The last few weeks have been very busy during this Lenten time, busy preparing for the end of term and preparing our children for the final academic term.

The children have really done you, us and most importantly themselves proud in their end of term assessments and it was so lovely to see so many parents at our Spring parents evening. The classrooms were filled with positivity!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our hardworking staff for another great term.

I would also like to thank parents, carers & LAC members for your continued, unfaltering support. The comments and responses from the parents' survey have been really lovely to read. If anyone would like to respond who hasn't already, please follow this link-

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=9uOimJ3NdUywp8y5vk61Tr42OWfT7fZKjx9GicsIjIJUMOI3MTQOOTNSUVdGMIVKNFdrNkhRSOVQVC4u>

Next term is again a busy one as we navigate Year 6 SATS and our residential at Standon Bowers with year 4, 5 and 6.

You will have noticed that we are really honing in on attendance at the moment, as this term has proved that children with excellent attendance are making the most progress. Being in school more is inevitably going to mean children learn more so please make this a priority at home as well for the last push through the Summer Term.

Wishing you a peaceful Easter and we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 13th April.

Warmest wishes
Mrs Scott



Prayer of the Week



This is our school
let peace dwell here
let the rooms be full of contentment
let love abide here
love of one another and love of god
let us remember that as many hands
build a house
so many hearts make our school
Amen



Notices



We were delighted to welcome the 'Made with Love' craft group back into school this week to collaborate on creating a beautiful Easter bouquet. Members of the group carefully crafted the paper flowers and worked alongside the children to produce lovely wooden Easter decorations. Some of the Eagles class also contributed by adding thoughtful Easter quotes.

We are hoping the finished display will be showcased in church after Lent. We are sure you will agree that the final result is truly wonderful!

Attendance & Absences



We have recently reviewed pupil attendance across the school, and we are pleased to share that some pupils have been recognised for their excellent & improved attendance and awarded certificates. Well done to those pupils for their commitment!

If your child is unwell, please report the absence by telephone to the main school office by 8:30am on the day of absence. While messages may be shared with class teachers via Class Dojo, it is essential that all absences are reported directly to the main office, as the attendance team is responsible for recording and updating absence codes in the registers.

For medical appointments, parents and carers must provide evidence by sending a copy of the appointment letter or a screenshot of the confirmation text message to the school office email address. As per parent handbook that was sent at the beginning of the academic term. This ensures that all absences are accurately and centrally recorded.

To keep parents informed, attendance letters will be issued at the end of each half term, outlining individual pupil attendance levels.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us improve attendance and ensure every child has the best possible opportunity to succeed.



Wednesday's Swimming Day

Don't forget your swimmers after half term! Please ensure your child comes prepared to save time. Thank you for your support.

Mother's Day Church Service – Fri 13th March

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Mother's Day Service on Friday 13th. We hope the service reflected how much you are valued and appreciated. It was a lovely opportunity for the children to celebrate and show their gratitude. We hope you enjoyed the handmade cards created by the children and that they will serve as a special keepsake. We also hope you appreciated the Mother's Day hand cream gift—a small token to mark the occasion.



Easter Bingo & Games



We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the PTA for organising the Easter Bingo and Games Night on Friday, 13th March. It was a very positive and enjoyable evening, with an excellent turnout from families. They raised £456. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed the event, and it was wonderful to see the school community come together in such a supportive and engaging way. Thank you to everyone who attended, took part, and contributed to making the evening such a success.

What's Gone

On



Diary Dates

Spring Term 2026

Term Ends: Friday 27th March
Holiday: Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April
Easter Sunday: Sunday 5th April

Summer Term 2026

Term Starts: Monday 13th April
May Day: Monday 4th May
Holiday: Monday 25th – Friday 29th May
Inset Day: Monday 1st June
Term Ends: Friday 17th July
Inset Day: Monday 20th July
Holiday: Tuesday 21 July – Monday 31 August

13th April- Back to school
24th April- Happy Clothes Day
29th April- Climate Change Enrichment Day
4th May- School Closed for Bank Holiday
6th May- Dental Health promotion for Early Years
11th May- SATS week
15th May- Clean up the village day
18th May- Year 4,5,6 Residential at Standon Bowers
22nd May- break up for half term/ Happy Clothes Day
1st June- INSET day – school closed to pupils / staff first Aid training
2nd June- Multiplication times tables check for Year 4 this week
8th June- phonics screening week for Year 1 pupils
26th June- Happy Clothes Day
10th July pm-All Saints Summer festival/170th celebration
15th July- Year 6 leavers trip
18th July- Leavers service in church at 12.30pm/ school breaks up for summer 1.15pm.

Look inside our

Classroom Moments



Exploring, learning, and growing together—one day, one lesson, and one success at a time!



Here's a quick look at what we've been up to the past few weeks:



Doves Class



In Doves class, the children have been developing their scientific understanding by investigating what it means for an object to be magnetic, as well as exploring the varying strengths of magnets using paperclips. In Art, they have created their own aged scrolls using techniques inspired by Ancient Egyptian paper-making, ready to be decorated with their own Egyptian motifs. In RE, the class has been exploring the question, "Why do Christians call Good Friday 'good'?" The children shared thoughtful and reflective ideas about the Easter story and how it fits within wider Christian beliefs. During assessment week, all pupils demonstrated excellent focus and determination. Their hard work has made Mrs Howarth and Mrs Mathew extremely proud well done to everyone. As part of Wildlife Wednesday, the children have been learning about the nature found on our school grounds and enjoyed a calm and reflective session of cloud spotting. We are currently working to enhance our school environment for both the children and the diverse range of wildlife we share it with. We are very grateful to Hollybush Garden Centre for their generous donation of £100 worth of plants to support this project. If you feel you could contribute or support us in this initiative, please do get in touch with Mrs Howarth and the Eco Team.



Sparrows Class



Sparrows class have been working exceptionally hard across all areas of their learning. In English, the children have been developing their writing skills by creating commands using "bossy" verbs and learning how to structure lists using commas. The class thoroughly enjoyed designing and building bridges using a variety of materials, before testing their strength with toy cars, some bridges impressively held up to 27 cars! In Art, the children explored colour mixing, focusing on creating secondary colours, and applied these skills to produce their beautiful Mother's Day portraits. Which we all hope you loved. In RE, Sparrows have been learning about the Last Supper and have been practising enthusiastically for the Easter Service held at the church. Finally, the children showed great determination during their Spring assessments last week. We are incredibly proud of their effort, resilience, and positive attitude towards their learning. Well done sparrows!



Robins Class

It's been a very busy exciting couple of weeks for Robins! The children prepared for the Mother's Day service by creating beautiful portraits using natural materials and making daffodil gifts. We've now finished our topic "People Who Help Us", including a visit from Sergeant Wiggins, a police officer, who answered questions and let the children try on a police helmet. Show and tell was full of creativity, with children bringing in clues to guess different community helpers. As part of the topic, the children also learned how letters are sent—hopefully your letters have arrived! In Maths, we've been focusing on number bonds to 10, while in English, the children have been writing simple sentences using our "Super Six Detective Skills." We also enjoyed making Easter bonnets, and the parade was fantastic!



Eagles Class

Eagles class have worked incredibly hard during Assessment Week. Year 5 pupils completed their SUAT Testbase papers, while Year 6 undertook the 2024 mock SATs. Throughout the week, the children demonstrated their knowledge and skills across spelling, punctuation and grammar, reading, arithmetic, and reasoning assessments. Alongside this, the class has been busy preparing for the school's Mother's Day service. The children created beautiful portraits of their mums and designed teacup-inspired cards. We have also been making the most of the warmer, sunnier weather and have begun practising enthusiastically for our upcoming Easter play

Recognition Achievements

Love Live & Learn



As a result, a reward has been chosen and will be sent home for the following child, who will receive a Love, Live & Learn Certificate in recognition of their hard work, positive attitude, and achievements. These awards reflect our school values and celebrate the many ways our pupils contribute to our school community.

Love Award

The Love Award recognises pupils who consistently show kindness, respect, and care for others. This includes being a good friend, showing empathy, offering help, and contributing positively to school life. Pupils who receive this award demonstrate our value of treating everyone with compassion and understanding.

WC 13th March -Presented to:
KYLO
for loving coming to school this week.

WC 20th March -Presented to:
ADELA
for being brave in swimming, she put her face in the water and learned to float

Live Award

The Live Award celebrates pupils who embrace school life with enthusiasm and resilience. This may include excellent behaviour, perseverance, teamwork, or representing the school positively. It also recognises achievements and participation in activities outside of school. Pupils receiving this award show a willingness to engage fully, try new experiences, and make positive choices each day.

WC 13th March -Presented to:
ADAM
for being adventurous with some of the new words he is using in school and explaining them to his friends.

WC 20th March -Presented to:
CHARLOTTE
for being awarded her yellow striped white belt for her martial arts

Learn Award

The Learn Award is presented to pupils who demonstrate a strong commitment to their learning. This includes trying their best, showing determination, making good progress, and displaying curiosity and independence in the classroom. Pupils who receive this award embody our value of striving to achieve their full potential. We look forward to celebrating our pupils' achievements and continuing to build great habits and a love of learning together.

WC 13th March -Presented to:
MAX
for persevering in Maths this week when learning about area and perimeter
ATTICUS
for working hard to improve his cutting skills.
WC 20th March -Presented to:
TALIA
for absolutely giving it her all in testing week

Well Done!



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CENTRAL STAFFS

CROSSFIT KIDS

EASTER KIDS CAMP!

Tuesday 31st March & Thursday 2nd April
 Tuesday 7th & Thursday 9th April

0900 - 1200

Messy Church

Invitation to Messy Eastertime

Please come to Messy Eastertime on Saturday 28th March at All Saints Church, Common Lane, Bednall ST17 0SA from 2 to 4pm

Enjoy lots of Easter themed activities for children of all ages, storytelling, crafts, singing, ending with sharing snacks together (children to be accompanied by an adult - grandparents welcome)

Please book your place now at aliwebb55@yahoo.com or phone Alison on 07811 196836 so we know how many are coming. Please advise any special dietary needs

Fun Faith Food Family
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