

16TH OCTOBER 2026

ST PHILIP HOWARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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STARS OF THE WEEK TEXT



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have welcomed 3 new members of staff to the team, Mrs Plaude and Mrs Siu are new lunchtime supervisors and Mrs Bethell has become our new OPAL lead as well as working at ASC.

Thursday was our last Rosary before school. Thank you to the Chaplaincy Team for taking the lead.

Our choir and children sounded lovely during Hymn Practice on Thursday morning as they prepared for our Feast Day mass on Monday. You are all welcome to join us. We have been learning a new hymn this week. It was written by St Philip Howard while he was imprisoned in The Tower of London.

What an exciting day today has been! We are hoping that everything will be sorted over the weekend. An extra big thank you to Mrs Kirwin, Mrs Turley, Mrs Field and Miss Davies who, along with answering the many phonecalls were dashing around the school collecting children to send home this afternoon. We will discuss with the Friends whether it is possible to reschedule the discos.

**School will be open as usual on Monday, even if the road is still shut.
Please give yourselves lots of extra time to get here!**

**FINAL REMINDER: SCHOOL SHUTS AT 1PM ON WEDNESDAY
FOR HALF TERM**

Mairéad Waugh
Headteacher

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 19th October

SPH Feast Day - Mass at
9.15am (School Hall)

Parents' Consultations

Tuesday 20th October

Parents' Consultations

Wednesday 21st October -

**School shuts at 1pm for Half
Term**

Monday 2nd November

Term Starts

Thursday 5th November

Reception Tours

Boys' Football Tournament at Onslow St Audrey's

It's been a tough start to the boys' football season but lots of reflection has taken place. We are very good at attacking and are developing our marking and defensive skills. What is positive is the way everyone works as a team. We were placed joint 3rd in the tournament.

Boys' Football Fixture - vs Green Lanes

5-1 to Green Lanes. Early goal from Kevin!



Reception Visits

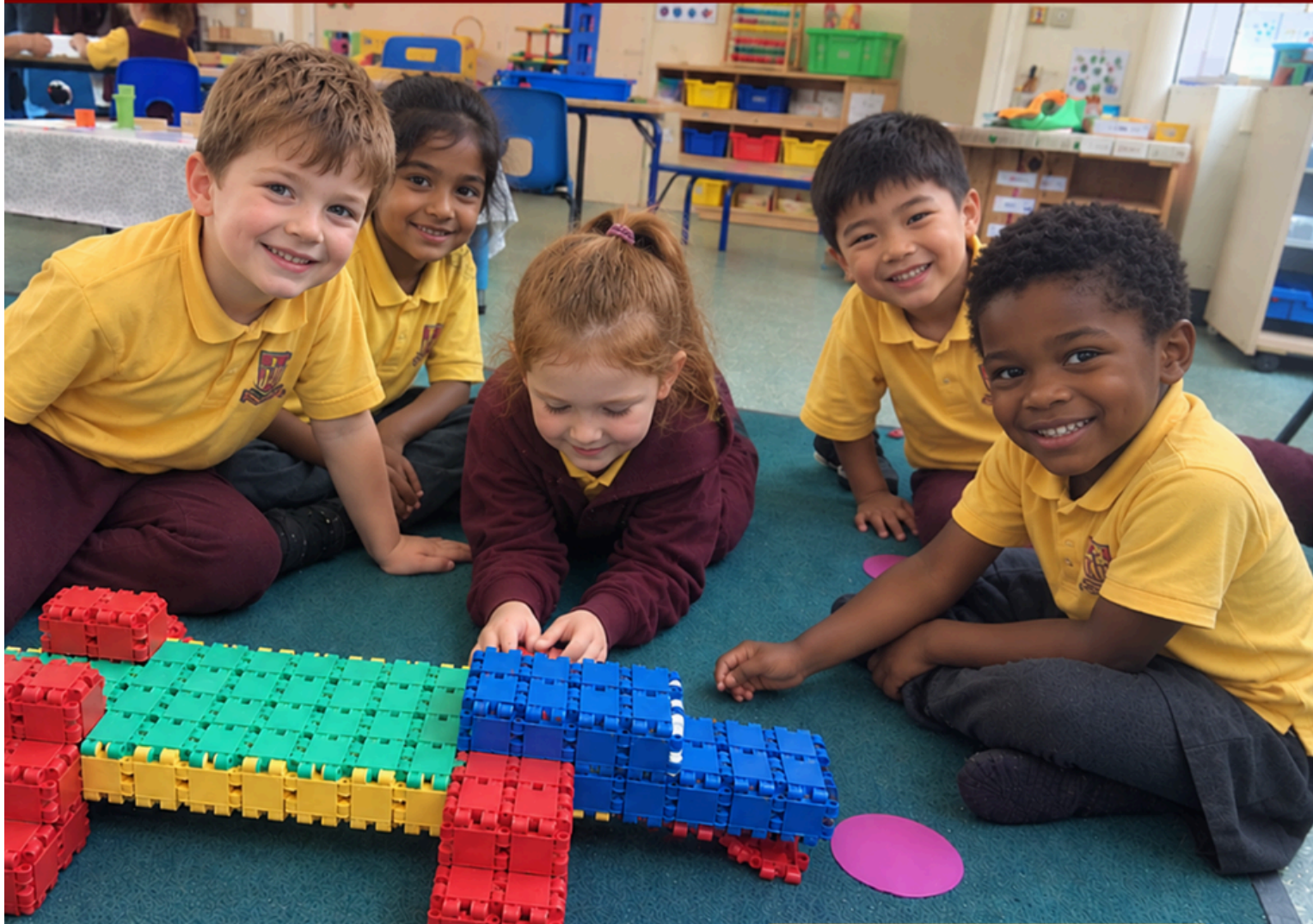
on the following dates and times: 9.30am - 10.30am

Thursday 8th October

Thursday 10th December

Thursday 5th November

Thursday 7th January



Child's birth date
between 01/09/22 &
31/08/23

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We are pleased to inform you that we have been updating our school website and have transferred all posters, advertising Family Support Services, Family Events and Activities onto our Parent's Page.




Who's in Charge

A FREE* 8 WEEK COURSE FOR PARENTS/CARERS LIVING WITH A STRONG-WILLED CHILD

COURSE COVERS:

ENTITLEMENT VERSUS RESPONSIBILITY

- CONSEQUENCES
- ANGER
- ASSERTIVENESS
- SELF-CARE
- COOPERATIVE FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

Dates

14th October- 9th December 2026
 6.30-8.30pm(mno session in half-term- 28th October)

TIME: 6.30-8.30pm

PROGRAMME CONSISTS OF 5 X 2 HOUR WEEKLY SESSIONS

LOCATION:

Panshanger Primary school

To book a place, please scan the QR code or go to:
[https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/e3kdjYdaVt?](https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/e3kdjYdaVt?origin=lprLink)
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*Please note that this course is only available for free to our partner schools, details of which can be found [here:https://wgc-hatfieldschoolspartnership.com/our-schools/](https://wgc-hatfieldschoolspartnership.com/our-schools/)





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Dads Together

Sign up to our 6-week online group

Are you a dad and feel like you are constantly nagging at your child to get what you need?

The sessions will cover:

- Exploring what helpful discipline is.
- Recognising the triggers and responding more effectively.
- Learning new parenting tools to challenge children's behaviour.
- How to negotiate and implement effective boundaries and family agreements
- How to hold boundaries and gain co-operation

Wednesday 4th November
to **9th December 2024**

7.00pm to 9.00pm

Online via M5 Teams

To book your place, call **Lesley on 0204 522 8701**, email services@coramfamilylives.org.uk or scan our QR code to use our online referral form

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Parenting when separated for parents of SEN children - online programme

Come along to our six-session programme, specifically tailored to help separated parents navigate the complexities of co-parenting and provide the best possible support for their SEN child. This is a valuable opportunity to enhance co-parenting skills, support children's development and build a strong foundation for the future.

The programme includes:

- Understanding SEN and its impact on children and family dynamics
- Effective communication skills
- Managing emotions and stress
- Collaborative problem solving
- Building a supportive network
- Creating a unified parenting approach

Dates and times

Date: Tuesday 13th and 20th October, 5th, 10th, 17th and 24th November 2025
Time: 9.30am to 11.30am

Date: Wednesday 14th and 21st October, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th November 2025
Time: 7.00pm to 9.00pm

This will be delivered online via MS Teams



For more information or to make a referral, scan the QR code, email services@coramfamilylives.org.uk or call 0204 522 8760 or 0204 522 8701

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**27 OCTOBER
11-1PM
AGES 5-10
CHILDREN TO BE
ACCOMPANIED BY
ADULT**






Hertfordshire

HALLOWEEN CRAFTING

5+ YEARS
must be accompanied
by an adult

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FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER
3:00pm - 4:30pm
Hatfield Library, CreatorSpace
Book at the enquiry desk.

Hertfordshire

Hatfield Town Centre EVENTS 2026

SCIENCE SPECTACULAR

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER 2026 • 11AM - 3PM
WHITE LION SQUARE

ALL activities FREE

SCIENCE DOME
FACE PAINTING
SCIENCE WORKSHOPS
LIVE MUSIC FROM SCIENCECONNECT
LIBRARY STORY TIME 11.15AM - 11.45AM
LIBRARY ARTS & CRAFTS 12PM - 1.30PM

All activities must be accompanied by an adult. Children aged 5-10 years must be accompanied back to the library

one.welhat.gov.uk/events

3 hours FREE parking in The Common car park with a displayed ticket

 Hertfordshire  **WELWYN
HATFIELD**





Parent Alienation Workshop

A parenting workshop designed to support separated/divorced parents and protect parent-child relationships

The workshop will cover:

- Increase understanding parental alienation
- Recognising common patterns and behaviours in ourselves and others
- Exploring the emotional impact on children and parents
- Develop communication and de-escalation skills
- Maintain parent-child bond during reduced contact
- Improve confidence with professionals

Dates and times

Friday 27th November 2024, 9.30am to 11.30am
OR
Thursday 3rd December 2024, 7pm to 9pm

The workshops will be online via MS TEAMS



To attend your place, call Louise on **0204 522 8700**, email services@familylives.org.uk or scan our QR code to use our online referral form



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TRUNK OR TREAT

THURSDAY
OCTOBER 29
10:00am - 2:00pm

BREAKS MANOR
HATFIELD

MUSIC • FANCY DRESS • CRAFT
ACTIVITIES • LUNCH

Book Online www.thecraftroom.org
Don't forget to wear your costumes!

AGES 5-10

COUNTLESS ANNE COTE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FIREWORKS *Night*

BBO FOOD (BURGERS, HOT DOGS, CHIPS & MORE)

BAR - SOFT DRINKS - HOT DRINKS - MUSIC

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AND MORE!!

THURSDAY 22ND OCT 2026	GATES OPEN 5.15PM DISPLAY STARTS AT 8.30PM
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ADVANCE TICKETS:

ADULTS £8 - CHILD £4 - FAMILY TICKET £20

ON THE DAY TICKETS:

ADULTS £9 - CHILD £5 - FAMILY TICKET £25
(INCLUDES SEASIDE LUNCH)

FAMILY TICKET CONSISTS OF 2 ADULTS AND 2 CHILDREN (UNDER 10 GO IN FREE)

LOCATION: COUNTLESS ANNE SCHOOL
School Lane Hatfield AL10 8LX

USE THIS LINK TO PURCHASE TICKETS

<https://countless-anne.schooldays.co.uk/event/2026-10-22-countless-anne-school-fireworks-night/>