



## Knebworth Primary School Newsletter

20<sup>th</sup> March 2026

### A message from the Headteacher

The sun has truly come out for us this week, and it has been such a joy to see the children learning and playing together in the warm sunshine. There's been a lovely sense of happiness and energy in the air, and it's been wonderful to watch them enjoying their time outdoors with one another. Just one example of this is The Eco Ambassadors and Lunch Club who joined forces to plant lots of spring bulbs in the Wildlife Haven and at the front of the school to improve our school's biodiversity and encourage pollinators – well done everyone! Let's all keep our fingers crossed that this beautiful weather continues!



On Monday, the children in Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their walk over to the church, where they met Reverend Charles and learned all about the importance of baptisms within the Christian faith. They especially loved taking part in a Christening ceremony and had a wonderful time exploring the beautiful church. A heartfelt thank you to all the adults who supported this learning experience, and to Reverend Charles for so warmly welcoming and accommodating us.

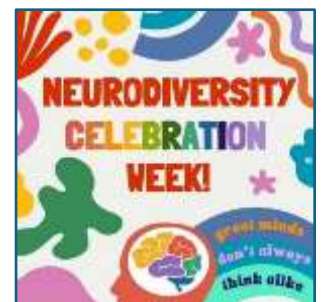


Also on Monday, one of our Reception parents kindly came into school to lead a drama session for our Nursery and Reception children. The children thoroughly enjoyed acting out the different stages of the frog life cycle, and they had great fun bringing a story to life together at the end of the session. A huge thank you to Mollee for inspiring our children in such a fun and engaging way.

On Tuesday, Reverend Charles visited the school alongside a special guest, Gemma Campbell from Bridge Builders, to lead Easter assemblies for both KS1 and KS2. The children listened carefully as he shared the story of Jesus, helping them to understand the meaning of Easter. Reception also joined the KS1 assembly and sat beautifully throughout—we were so proud of them. A big thank you to Reverend Charles for leading such a thoughtful and engaging assembly.

After an exciting trip to St Albans Cathedral yesterday, Year 3 held a Roman themed day with lots of action today! They did a scavenger hunt to learn more Roman facts, tasted food of the time, drew a Roman soldier and marched down the corridor like silent soldiers to organise themselves into different formations that the Romans would have used to protect themselves. The children looked wonderful today – thank you to parents and carers for their support with their outfits. Thank you to The Year 3 Team for facilitating such a magical learning experience for the children.

This week has been Neurodiversity Celebration Week, which fits beautifully with our No Outsiders ethos. In Wednesday's assembly, Mrs Rix spoke to the children about ADHD and Autism, helping them to understand that all brains work differently. She explored how these differences can be a real strength—a "superpower"—and shared inspiring examples such as Simone Biles, who has ADHD, and Greta Thunberg, who is autistic, and how their unique ways of thinking have supported their success. We were incredibly proud of the children, who listened so thoughtfully, asked fantastic questions, and showed great respect and curiosity in learning about the different ways our brains can work.





We are very grateful to Jackson's Garage in Knebworth for kindly donating some Mindfulness books to our school through their regular subscription program. We know these books will be very popular with the children and cannot wait to see them enjoying and learning from them. A BIG thank you to everyone at Jackson's Garage for supporting our school in such a thoughtful way.



This week for Magical Learning I have seen Stanley, Finley, Klara, Bea and Keira in Turing Class for their wonderful posters all about King Alfred the Great which included some superb facts about the king – they had also thought really careful about the layout of their posters. Miss Baylis was impressed with the whole of Zephaniah Class's story writing this week so I popped down to look through every child's story and I was so, so impressed with the magical stories they had written. Poppy in Nightingale Class shared with me her diary writing where she had written about climbing a mountain and how the temperature changes – she added detail and humour within her writing which made it such a joy to read. Lily-Rose in Byron Class came to see me to receive one of my "Today I did Amazing Things" cards for her hard work and progression with reading comprehension and we are so proud of her for achieving her highest score yet on a recent practise test paper. Miss Hall was so impressed with Seacole Class and their use of vocabulary and speech within their English learning that I also popped into their class to see their writing and I too was thoroughly amazed by their hard work and dedication. Alban, Reuben, Amelia, Georgia, Alba, Thea, Wrecker and Noah in Johnson Class came to see me to share their writing where they had been working so beautifully on redrafting and improving their setting descriptions – I was so impressed with their vocabulary choices. Barney in Henson Class is this week's KS1 Pencrafter for his fantastic story with recurring language and interesting verbs to describe how the character is moving – well done Barney! Momo in Thunberg Class is this week's KS2 Pencrafter for her great alternative ending of The Three Little Pigs story. She has used speech, adverbs and a great range of language to fantastic effect.





Thank you to Zayne and Reuben in Chandi Class for donating such marvellous Birthday Books to the school – we cannot wait to read and explore these.

As part of French Day today, the children enjoyed a traditional French breakfast - a croissant. Throughout the day, classes have participated in activities related to France, the language and other countries that also speak French. Some classes learnt songs, others created fact files and some created works of art. Throughout the day, we even saw some French Romans roaming the school! After school, we enjoyed some baked treats in our yearly French cafe - thank you to all that came. A BIG thank you to the Twinning Association for the croissants and café and to Miss Dimmock for facilitating yet another excellent French Day in school.

Thank you so much to everyone who donated so generously to Comic Relief today. Your kindness and support will make a real difference to those in need.

Have a lovely, restful weekend everyone and we look forward to seeing lots of you at Parents Evenings next week. For those in our school community celebrating, I hope you have a lovely Eid Mubarak with your loved ones.

Best Wishes,  
Miss Bains





**WINNERS:** *Zephaniah & Turing Classes*

Y1 Coelho 93.6%	Y1 Zephaniah 98.8%	Y2 Chandi 94.4%	Y2 Henson 95.3%	Y3 Nadal 96.4%	Y3 Thunberg 94.6%
Y4 Johnson 95.6%	Y4 Turing 98.8%	Y5 Nightingale 96.2%	Y5 Seacole 94.6%	Y6 Bronte 95.8%	Y6 Byron 95.0%

## Knebworth Silver Values Certificates

Nursery  
*Ralph & Teddy*

Ayling-Ellis  
*Lysander*

Packham  
*Olivia*

Coelho  
*Harrison*

Zephaniah  
*Grace B*

Chandi  
*Sunaya*

Henson  
*Ellena*

Nadal  
*Alfie*

Thunberg  
*Roxanne*

Johnson  
*Wrecker*

Turing  
*Georgi*

Nightingale  
*Varya*

Seacole  
*Bluebelle*

Bronte  
*Charlotte*

Byron  
*Amelia-Rose*

## HOUSE POINTS



Aschil 27



Bulwer 23



Eudo 51



Lvtton 21

## Top House Point Earners

Y1 Coelho Una Arthur R	Y1 Zephaniah Sam	Y2 Chandi Nathan Bonnie Hailey	Y2 Henson Olivia	Y3 Nadal Elias	Y3 Thunberg Olivia
Y4 Johnson Harvey	Y4 Turing Izzy	Y5 Nightingale Mia	Y5 Seacole Marty Dylan	Y6 Bronte Gabryella	Y6 Byron Lily-Rose

## This Week's Pencrafters

*Barney in Henson Class*  
*Momo in Thunberg Class*





## Children's Achievements



Well done to Entmont in Nursery who has completed his Level 7 Gymnastics badge - we are all so proud of you!



## Key Dates for your Diary – Spring Term 2026

Details for upcoming events will be sent nearer the time where and when applicable  
New/amended dates are highlighted in yellow

Date/Time	Event
23 <sup>rd</sup> March – 26 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Year 4 Bikeability</b> Children in Year 4 will be offered the opportunity to take part in a Level 1 Bikeability session which focuses on key cycling skills. This is kindly subsidised by FOKS.
24 <sup>th</sup> and 25 <sup>th</sup> March 3:40 – 6:40pm	<b>Parents Evening Spring Term Consultations</b> - <i>these will be face to face unless a virtual appointment is required</i> A 10-minute appointment with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress as we reach the end of the second term of the academic year. FOKS pre-loved uniform will also be on sale.
27 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>FOKS Non-Uniform Day</b> Children are invited to come to school in non-uniform on this day for a £1 donation to FOKS. Our fantastic FOKS team will be on the playground before and after school to collect donations. All funds raised will go directly towards enrichment activities and resources for the children.
27 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>FOKS Easter Bonnet/Hat Competition</b> <i>Spring into step and get your creative juices flowing to create an Easter bonnet or hat! Prizes will be awarded to EY/KS1 and KS2 Winners as judged by our FOKS Ambassadors. £1 to enter, further details to follow.</i>
27 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Spring Term Ends</b> <b>12pm – Nursery</b> - a 1pm pick up can be accommodated on this date, please let Miss Leatham know if you require this. <b>1:10pm – Reception &amp; KS1</b> <b>1:20pm – KS2</b>
30 <sup>th</sup> March to 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>FOKS Easter Trail around Knebworth</b> <i>Solve riddles, find letters around the village and unscramble them to reveal a secret word to claim your prize! More details to follow.</i>
13 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>INSET Day (School Closed)</b>
14 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Summer Term Begins</b>
<b>Advance Warning</b> 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> June <b>All Sports Days will start at 1:30pm</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> June – Years 5 & 6 Sports Day 23 <sup>rd</sup> June – Years 3 & 4 Sports Day 24 <sup>th</sup> June – Years 1 & 2 Sports Day 25 <sup>th</sup> June – Nursery & Reception Sports Day <i>*15-hour Nursery children are more than welcome to come back for the Sports Day or to stay all day. Please get in touch with the Nursery Team to arrange this.</i>
26 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Reserve Sports Days</b>

