

May 2025 Newsletter



Reminder!

The school day starts at 8:45am
Registers will be taken at
8:50am, if your child arrives after
8:50am they will be marked as
late. All children must be in time
for registration. The school day
ends at 3:15pm. Children being
picked up late from school may
be charged for After-School Club.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 12th May - Sun Safety Week
Monday 12th May - Mental Health Week
Thursday 15th May - Whole Class Photos
Monday 26th - Friday 30th May - **School Closed** - Half Term
Monday 2nd June - **School Closed** - Staff Development Day
Tuesday 3rd June - Children Return to School
Tuesday 10th June - **Year 2** Beach Trip
Thursday 19th June - **Sports Day and Family Picnic** - Further information to follow
Thursday 26th June - **Year 1** Trip to Hertfordshire Zoo
Wednesday 2nd July - **Year 2** Art Exhibition
Friday 11th July - **Year 2** End of Year Performances
Friday 18th July - Last Day of Term - School will be closing at 1:20pm

A Message from the Head Teacher

It has been a lovely start to the new term with some sunshine, and we're looking forward to a busy and exciting few months ahead.

I would like to welcome new children and families to our school, including the 2-year-old children in our nursery. We are really happy with the building work that took place over the spring break and can see our 2-year-olds are enjoying their new room. We will continue to look at ways we can develop this area, including new resources.

I would also like to welcome Tracey to our nursery team. I can already see how passionate and nurturing she is with the children. We hope she continues to enjoy her new role in our school.

Wishing all our children, families and staff a successful and positive term.

Sarah Clements

Exciting News for Breakfast Club!

From **22nd April 2025**, all children at our school have been invited to enjoy a **FREE 30-minute Breakfast Club** every morning from **8:15am**, thanks to new government initiative.

To support those needing an earlier start, we're also opening from **7:45am** for a small charge of **£1 per child**.

We're thrilled to be able to offer this to our families.
More flexibility, a **great start to the day** and full tummies all round!





School Photographs

Our school photographers will be visiting us on Thursday 15th May to take whole class photos.

Please make sure your child is wearing full school uniform.

If your child does not have a school jumper and you would like to access one from our pre-loved store, please see Sandra, our family support worker. School jumpers can also be purchased from the school office.

Learning Friends

			
Kindness Kai	Challenge Chico	Polly Perseverance	Ruby Resilience

Congratulations to the children who have recently received a certificate for demonstrating our school values!

Jaguar Class: Sia

Leopard Class: Melek, Tyra

Tiger Class: Daniel, Melyssa

Gorilla Class: Huseyin, Juwayriyya, David, Elani

Rhino Class: Alexander, Aras

Giraffe Class: Jaidyn, Jemila, Lucas, Ivan

Dolphin Class: Zariah, Akai

Panda Class: Deniz, Ikra

Penguin Class: Yathika, Defne, Ismael, Gio, Sultan, Olivia



Well done to all the children who have received a 100% attendance award recently.

90 children received an attendance award for Spring 2 and 45 children received 100% attendance for the whole of the Spring Term.

Can we do better for the Summer term?

152 children have already received a 100% attendance award for the month of April.

Please Support our Stationery for schools Quest

Supporting local initiatives like the Stationery for Schools Quest can make a significant difference in providing essential resources for students. By casting your vote with a blue token at Tesco, you can help us secure £1,500 to purchase much-needed stationery supplies. These supplies are crucial for creating an engaging and effective learning environment, ensuring that every student has the tools they need to succeed. Your vote is a simple yet powerful way to contribute to the education of young minds in our community.

Thank you for your support!

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GROUNDWORK
CHANGING PLACES
CHANGING LIVES

Enfield Town Schools' Partnership is in Tesco stores!

Collect a **blue token** from any register & cast your **vote** at one of the stores listed below.

Enfield schools are in with the chance to win up to **£1,500** for much needed stationery supplies.

Vote during the **first week of April** through to **end June**



Stationery for Schools

A Message from Year 2

Summer Term has arrived...Sunshine is the best medicine! huge welcome to the summer – lets hope it lasts!

We have had a busy start to the term and as always, the children are working incredible hard on their reading, writing and mathematics. No matter what route you take in life it is certain that you will need these skills in both a personal and professional capacity on a regular basis. Simply put, you can't go a day without using Maths and English in some way, shape or form. Please continue to support your child at home to develop their reading, spelling and multiplication skills by spending time with them daily. Small, fifteen-minute slots really do make a difference, and every little bit of time helps.

Science Week - Adapting means fitting in, finding the best way.

The theme of the British Science Week has been 'Change and Adapt'. The children have enjoyed exploring this topic and are developing their understanding of the changes that people make that are purposeful. They know some changes around us happen out of our control and that is when we adapt to our changed circumstances. They have looked at how our immune systems adapt to protect us against illness. They know that when something enters our body that could make us ill, like a virus, we call them antigens. They have developed their understanding of how our bodies make antibodies that recognise antigens by fitting together with them like jigsaw pieces. They were very impressed how the antibodies get rid of the antigen and keep us healthy!



A Message from Year 1

Year one children have really enjoyed science week! Our focus was plants and the life cycle of a bean plant. Children had the opportunity to plant their very own bean seed and are now waiting to see how long it will take to grow. They have already made predictions about how tall they will grow. We are hoping for more sunshine to give them a great start! Children also went to the field to look at changes they have noticed since Autumn's Forest School and observe any flowers that are growing.

A gentle reminder

"I saw Dandelions growing. Bees like them." – Leo
"The Daisies have white petals, and the pollen is in the middle." – Kubi

The weather is getting warmer now and fingers crossed it stays nice. Please can you make sure you send your child in with a water bottle so they can stay hydrated throughout the day. A plastic bottle is fine and can be refilled each day.



A Message from Joey and Kangaroo Class

What fun the children in Joey class had when they visited Willows Farm! They learned about what animals eat and got to feed alpacas, cows, lambs and goats. They also went on a train ride, they looked for gold in the stream and got to watch a performance on stage by Peter Rabbit. After all the animal excitement we got to let off some steam in the playground and jump on the trampolines. All children had a fantastic time!

Kangaroo class have been enjoying the hot weather and enjoyed lots of water-based activities to stay cool. It has been a good time to learn about sun safety too.



A Message from Reception

Firstly we would like to say a big 'well done' to all the reception children who came on our school trip to Willows Farm. The children were sensible, calm and well behaved which made all the adults feel extremely proud of them! It was a lovely day where the children were able to see, feed and even stroke lots of the animals. The children enjoyed a tractor ride and were able to watch the 'Peter Rabbit' show.

We have been reading the book 'What the Lady bird Heard' in core book time this half term which links really well to our visit to the farm. We will be continuing to focus on farm animals and what farms can give us over the next few weeks.



Last week the children started their 'Songsack' sessions which will be every Monday morning throughout the Summer Term, delivered by a member of the Borough of Enfield Music Team. In these sessions the children will learn about tone, volume and speed when using their voices in their singing and will learn many new songs which we hope to perform to Parents and carers near the end of the Summer term.

Lastly, we are now lucky enough to be enjoying Forest School sessions, taking place on the field on a Tuesday. Please can you pay attention to the weather for these days in particular, and ensure your child is appropriately dressed. If it is going to be sunny, please ensure they have a sun hat/cap in school, suncream applied before school and their water bottles filled for the day. If it is going to be rainy, please provide a rain coat and wellington boots.



A Message from Nursery

It has been wonderful to welcome all the children and families back after the Spring Break. Thank you for your support and kind words during the additional closures. Over the break we had some very exciting building work completed which has created a lovely new room for Otter children to use, this has allowed us to welcome more children into the Nursery. We have also welcomed a new member of the team, Tracey.



Over the coming weeks, we are very excited to be setting up a Nursery library, where families can borrow books from us. This will be outside the nursery and is open to all Turtle and Otter children. We are asking parents to choose a book with your child, share it and take care of it at home and then return the book when you are finished ready to choose another. The library will be running on an honesty policy, so please ensure that books are returned. We understand that accidents sometimes happen, if this is the case please speak to a member of the team.

Reminders: Please ensure that your child has a LABELLED water bottle especially in this hot weather. It is also important that children are wearing suncream and have a labelled hat as they spend a lot of time outside, particularly in the warmer weather.

Thank you for your continued support.

Our School Instagram Account



The school has opened an Instagram account [carterhatchinfants](https://www.instagram.com/carterhatchinfants) and we have started to post short items of news and activity information. Please give us a follow, as this is another way to see what is happening in school.



National Sun Awareness Week

As the weather is beginning to get warmer and as part of National Sun Awareness Week, the children will be learning about the importance of staying safe in the sun, through learning the Wrap, Splat, Hat message. Alongside this topic, children will be learning about water safety.

Mental Health Awareness Week 12th - 18th May 2025

This year's Mental Health Awareness theme is "Community," highlighting the importance of strong connections and supportive relationships in our lives. Being part of a positive community can provide support in hard times, give a sense of belonging, safety, and purpose; which are all vital for our mental health and wellbeing. During this week, children will be learning about the importance of communities and how to be a pro-active member of their community to support their mental health.

If you are struggling with your own mental health, please speak to your class teacher or Sandra, our family support worker.

Please scan the QR Code for **FREE online courses for all parents, carers, grandparents and teens, supporting emotional health and well being.**

For information on affordable and free activities in and around Enfield, please click on the link [HERE](#)



Online Safety

Generative AI: ChatGPT, Gemini and similar - What is it?

Generative AI is a tool that can create text, images or videos based on the input it receives. It is a type of AI technology that can use a simple prompt, such as a question or a sentence to create new content.

As with any technology there are many benefits but also risks that come alongside. As parents it is important to recognise and help manage these risks.

Gemini (a google based chat) are in the process of releasing Gemini specifically for children under the age of 13. However, it says 'kids may encounter content you don't want them to see'. The Gemini function on Google devices can be managed through the Google Family link app. For further advice, please click the link [HERE](#)

Remind children of the basic online safety rules:

- Keep personal information safe
- Ask a trusted adult before going online
- If something worries you or makes you feel funny, speak to someone you trust



You can use https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/4_7/6-7/ to play online games to support your child with online safety

Roblox

Roblox, the game used by 90 million people daily, announced some major updates recently which became available to users and parents in March 2025. These safety updates include:

- Limits to how children under 13 can communicate.
- Parental controls accessible from the parents phone rather from the child's device (remote management)

To see an explanation of all the new features visit the Roblox website [HERE](#). You can also see the full guide to Roblox parental controls on the Internet Matters website [HERE](#)

