



# Harlow Fields School and College

## Family Newsletter

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Dear existing and new families,

The past two weeks have been filled with joy and celebration! Our Summer Fete was an incredible event, bringing together families and friends from our community. **A huge thank you to the PTFA and all the staff who worked tirelessly to make this event a success.** Additionally, we celebrated our Year 11 and Sixth Form Prom, which was a truly memorable evening. It was wonderful to see our pupils enjoying themselves and making lasting memories.

As we approach the end of another remarkable school year, we wanted to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful experiences we've shared and to express our gratitude for your continued support. This year, we are saying goodbye to some cherished members of our team.

- Charlotte will be moving to a school closer to home, as her current commute of over an hour each way has been quite a challenge.
- Sylvia is embarking on a new teaching challenge, and we wish her all the best in her future endeavours.
- Chrissi has decided to retrain in a different career so will explore opportunities available to her. We extend our heartfelt wishes for her success.
- Michelle is also moving on to a new career path, and we thank her for her contributions to our school.

Don't forget to check out our class newsletters that will be published soon. They are looking fantastic and are a great way to stay updated on what's happening in each class!

Lastly, we want to extend a heartfelt thank you for all your feedback through the various surveys we have conducted. Your insights are invaluable and help us shape our practises to better serve our pupils and community.

Looking to seeing you at the end of term celebrations including our family picnic!

Kathleen M Faherty  
Headteacher

# Headteacher Star Pupils of the Fortnight



Do read about these four pupils and their achievements:

<b>Alison, Thames</b>	she has been following instructions well and is a joy to be around.
<b>Zahra, Oak</b>	she has made huge leaps in her relationships with staff, transitions around school and in her ability to regulate her emotions.
<b>Tommy, Willow</b>	for trying very hard to develop his communication skills by using his communication mat and PECs when he is trying to communicate his wants or needs.
<b>Scarlet, Blake</b>	for being so kind and patient and always being aware of her peers and coping well when there are situations in class where peers are needing extra support at that moment.
<b>Ziggy, Maple</b>	for listening well to staff and his batting skills in our Three Tees Cricket PE lesson.



**An opportunity worth checking out: [The Care House Project — Rhiannon Faith Company](#)**

## Important Information for Families Regarding Therapy Services

At Harlow Fields School and College, we are committed to facilitating access to therapies that support your child's development. We provide designated spaces for external professionals to work with your child during school hours. However, please be aware that these therapies are delivered by independent agencies that are not employed by the school. As such, the school does not oversee, manage, or accept responsibility for the content, delivery, or outcomes of these therapies.

If you have any questions, concerns, or need to make arrangements regarding your child's therapy, we encourage you to reach out directly to the therapist or the commissioning body.

For specific queries, you can contact:

- Speech and Language Therapy: Oliver Tatton-Bennett at [Oliver.Tatton-Bennett@hcrkgcaregroup.com](mailto:Oliver.Tatton-Bennett@hcrkgcaregroup.com)
- Nursing Services: Ruth Dudley at [ruth.dudley@hcrkgcaregroup.com](mailto:ruth.dudley@hcrkgcaregroup.com)

## **Summer Term**

- Hertfordshire Zoo: new date 17th July!!
- Cultural Capital Week: 14-18th July
- Sixth Form Merit Assembly: Monday, 14th July at 2pm
- Upper School Merit Assembly: Tuesday, 15th July at 2pm
- Lower School Merit Assembly/Classroom Activities: Wednesday, 16th July at 2pm
- Family Picnic: Friday, 18th July 11.30-1.30pm
- PMLD Merit Assembly: Friday, 18th July at 2pm
- 6th Form Leavers Assembly: Thursday, 17th July at 2pm
- Harlow Brass Band performances: Monday 21st July 11-12 noon (families welcome, more info to follow)
- End of Term: Tuesday, 22nd July (½ day for pupils)

## **2025-2026 term dates**

### **Autumn Term 2025**

- Start Date: Monday, 1 September 2025
- Half Term: Monday, 27 October to Friday, 31 October 2025
- End Date: Friday, 19 December 2025

### **Spring Term 2026**

- Start Date: Monday, 5 January 2026
- Half Term: Monday, 16 February to Friday, 20 February 2026
- End Date: Friday, 27 March 2026

### **Summer Term 2026**

- Start Date: Monday, 13 April 2026
- Bank Holiday: 4 May 2025
- Half Term: Monday, 25 May to Friday, 29 May 2026
- End Date: Friday, 17 July 2026

### **Staff Training Days (Pupils at Home) **Final version****

- 1st September 2025
- 3rd November 2025
- 28th November 2025
- 5th January 2026
- 20th July 2026

### **End of Term (Half Day for Pupils)**

**\*\* (Pupils depart at 1pm (T) and 1.10pm (W) - after lunch) \*\***

- 19th December 2025
- 3rd April 2026
- 17th July 2026

