School Newsletter 440 13th March 2026

Archdeacon Cambridge's

Church of England Primary School
The Green, Twickenham, Middlesex TW2 5TU
Tel: 020 8894 4777, www.archdeaconcambridges.richmond. sch.uk

"Be happy and love learning, confident in our faith. Do everything in love." 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Dear Parents

My thanks to Mrs Mulberry and Ms Dubery (our English Coordinators) for organising an exciting Book week, last week. Book Costume Day - dressing up as a sea themed book character was a bit of fun and an explosion of colour. It was a good effort all round and there were some very creative costumes. The children thoroughly enjoyed their workshops with the poet - Rachel Piercey and the author Dan Batchelor.

Year 4 performed a great Brass Concert for their parents on Monday. Congratulations to some of our sporting teams. We took part in the Borough Netball Tournament qualifying for the Plate round. Our Years 3 & 4 Basketball Team came a very close second in the Borough Basketball Tournament – please see the Sports reports overleaf. Year 2 visited St Paul's Cathedral and had a lovely time looking around the iconic building, as well as a coach tour of the area where The Great Fire of London happened. Year 3 have had a very busy Roman Day today and I have heard lots of marching and observed them practising their fighting formations in the playground. There are lots of very impressive costumes and shields! The children learn so much on a daily basis – but it's these themed days and school visits out, that the children will remember forever!

My thanks to Disha and Roby – our Pupil Parliament Councillors in Year 6, who went to Strawberry Hill House this week for the Borough Pupil Parliament meeting. Huge thanks to those of you helped out with the Rugby Rarking these last few weekends – your time and support is much appreciated. We look forward to having the Living Eggs in our foyer next week and Easter is just round the corner.

Booking for Parent Consultations booking for Nursery to Year 5 goes live this evening – we look forward to seeing you for consultations in the last week of term.

Next week is national Neurodiversity Week and we are also celebrating Science Week – with lots of exciting activities. Good luck to our Junior Choir who will be singing at the Royal Albert Hall as part of Prom Praise for Schools on Tuesday. This will be a wonderful occasion.
**Infant Parents – just a reminder that our Easter Basket Parade is looming.
I hope you all have a lovely weekend and wishing all of our Mums a very **Happy Mother's Day**!

Best wishes,
Miss Lambe, Head Teacher

Neurodiversity Celebration Week

Forthcoming Dates for the Diary

Mon 16th—Fri 20th March		**Archdeacon Science Week**
Mon 16th March	**All Day**	Science Workshops
	7pm	Governing Board Meeting
Tues 17th March	**PM & Eve**	Junior Choir singing at Prom Praise for Schools at Royal Albert Hall
Weds 18th March	**AM**	Year 5 to Easter Experience at Fulwell
Mon 23rd March	**All Day**	Year 4 to Orchestra Unwrapped Concert at Royal Festival Hall
Tues 24th March	**4.30pm—7.30pm**	Nursery—Year 5 Parent Consultations
Weds 25th March	**AM**	Year 6 to Easter Experience, Fulwell
Thurs 26th March	**9.10am**	End of Term Service—Holy Trinity
	4pm—7pm	Nursery—Year 5 Parent Consultations
Fri 27th March	**9am**	Infant Easter Basket Parade
	2.30pm	**END OF TERM**

A reminder to all parents that this term finishes at 2.30pm on Friday 27th March.

Class Attendance Results

Congratulations to the following classes for their attendance so far this term:

2PS	97.9%
6J	97.2%
5S	97.1%

Science Week, Mrs Taylor writes:



We are celebrating Archdeacon Cambridge's Science Week next week (Week beginning Monday 16th March). The theme of this year's British Science Week is '**Curiosity: What's your question?'** and to start the week, we are welcoming Spark 2 Science Professors into school on Monday who will be leading science workshops for all children in Reception to Year 6. Our Archdeacon science question next week is: '**Why are birds' egg shells both very strong but also easily broken?'**

Nursery & Reception will be making birds' nests which are suitable for protecting eggs and Years 1-6 will be designing the best way to protect an egg from being broken when dropped from a height. During Friday's Science Assembly, we will be testing out the class designs with all the children. It would be useful if children could find materials at home that might be suitable for nest making or for our investigations (eg packaging from deliveries or natural materials from outside). We will be explaining to children that we are using supermarket cooking eggs for our experiment not eggs that can hatch into chicks, so please do also explain this to children at home! We are sure children will enjoy explaining the results of our various science experiments to you.

Nursery—Year 5 Parent Consultations

- Tuesday 24th March 4.30pm—7.30pm
- Thursday 26th March 4pm—7pm

Please note the above dates and times for the Nursery—Year 5 Parent Consultations which will take place in person in the Small and Large Halls this term. **Booking opens through Scopay on Friday 13th March at 6pm.**

Infant Easter Basket Parade, Friday 27th March, 9.00am Junior Playground



This year we will be holding the annual Easter parade for the Reception—Year 2 children on **Friday 27th March (last day of term) at 9.00am in the Junior Playground.** Parents are invited to watch the parade and are requested to assemble near the Swimming Pool in the Junior Playground (weather permitting). Parents of children in **Reception, Years 1 and 2** are asked to help their child make an imaginative and decorative **Easter Basket** at home that can be easily carried during the parade. **All children in Years Reception, 1 & 2 should wear spring colours (not school uniform) on this day.**

Living Eggs—Monday 16th —Friday 27th March



Our annual egg watching begins on Monday 16th March when ten eggs arrive at the school. This project is funded by the PTA and all members of the school community enjoy watching the eggs hatch and the chicks develop. They will be homed in the School Office Foyer whilst they hatch and are then returned to the farm by the end of the term. If you wish to adopt some chicks at the end of their school stay, please contact the School Office.

The Archdeacon Way Award February Monthly Winners

Congratulations to our February Archdeacon Way Award Winners who each win a £7.50 book token. Winners were drawn by Ms van den Broek during Pupil Voice:

- Max R-D (2BS)
- Alice B (3JR)
- Alfie La (6J)

Well done to them and to everyone who was awarded An Archdeacon Way Award Ticket for following our values of Thankfulness, Compassion, Endurance and Forgiveness.

School Nurse



Appointments can be made to see our School Nurse, Charlton Milan, on the school premises by calling 07353 166473. Further information and advice about the School Nursing Service can be found at www.nhs.uk/school-nursing.

Headlice

A reminder that parents should check their child's hair regularly for headlice. Where headlice or their eggs are found, treatment is required and should be continued every month. Please also inform the School Office of any cases. Many thanks for your support.

Governor's School Maintenance Fund

Reminder letters to those who have not yet contributed to the 2025/2026 Governor's Maintenance Fund were sent out last week. Thank you very much for all the payments we have received. All children benefit from the maintenance of the school site that this fund facilitates.

Please note that this is a different fund to the Termly Contribution payments which is paid through Scopay accounts. The £10 termly contribution via Scopay covers the cost of materials including cookery, craft, art as well as consumable stationary items including pencil cases and contents, workbooks and homework diaries.

We are very grateful for all support of these funds.

Wildlife Area Dig Day Update





We had a great Wildlife Area Dig Day on Saturday 28th February. The weather stayed dry and many families came out to help with preparing the area for the warmer months. We are delighted with our new insect hotel we have created which we are calling 'Bug-ingham Palace'! Classes will be filling the drawers with natural vegetation for insects. Some can be taken out so children will be able to view inside the drawers. Thank you to Mrs Hamerton for providing her delicious cakes for us!

Years 3 & 4 Basketball Tournament, Mr Bell writes:



On Wednesday, the Year 4 Basketball team was invited to the Richmond Knights organised Borough Finals at Twickenham School. Confidence was high amongst the group following a strong showing in a tri-tournament earlier in the year. Nine teams were competing across the Borough with the tournament organised into three groups of three. Archdeacon were pitched against Deer Park first. A nervy first quarter by both teams built towards some frantic and frenetic play which continued throughout the tournament. In the next three quarters Archdeacon pulled away thanks to baskets from Samuel and Alfie, terrific handling skills from Beau and Connor and diligent defending from Holly, Mufaro and Clemmie. Charged and raring to go for game 2, Orleans didn't stand a chance. Although lots of baskets were scored, it was the defensive play that most impressed the Knights coaches. The team were hustling the ball handler and anticipating interceptions the whole game. With two wins under their belts, Archdeacon were moved to the Champions Play Off group where they met Sheen Mount in the semi finals. The opposition were punished early on for some sloppy handling which Cody helped himself to on a few occasions. Beau and Connor were running rings around their defence and Clemmie, Will and Holly were water tight rebounding defensively. This set up a hugely anticipated finale with the two best teams in the tournament going head to head. On the day, TPA were too good for our side. As the buckets were scored against us, the team did not drop their heads and fought hard as a team until the final whistle. The team were disappointed to begin with not to be crowned champions, however, they should be incredibly proud of their effort and teamwork. It was a joy to watch and be part of for the day.

Netball, Miss Clarke writes:

On Thursday 5th March, nine Year 6 students took part in the Borough Netball Tournament with 36 other schools Barn Elms Sport and Fitness centre We started off with a tough match against Collis School, attacking strong but ending up with a 3-1 defeat. The team picked themselves up from this loss to win a spectacular 8-0 against St Edmunds with outstanding shooting from Juno and Connie. Next game against Meadlands School, the team kept up their positive team work and strong attacking play and drew 2-2. This gave the team a secure place to play for the Plate. The players played extremely well in their plate matches but ended up being knocked out just before the semi – final. Every single member of the Archdeacon team represented the school with excellent sportsmanship and a great competitive edge. Final mention for our player of the tournament, Larry. Larry went out of his way to cheer for every single player, even players from other schools, congratulating everyone on their effort and skill. Fantastic work Larry. Congratulations to the Archdeacon Netball Tournament team: Ollie, Juno, Rosie, Willow, Libby, Lucinda, Eloise, Larry and Lucinda.

NEWS FROM THE PTA

I'm sure you're equally bemused about how quickly this term is disappearing, and how busy it has been. Thank you so much to everyone who helped run the Travelling Book Fair, braving the card readers. Thank you too to the stoic Year 6 Leavers Committee, surviving the rain to run their lovely Book & Craft After School Stall as part of Book Week. Year 6, your crafting skills are amazing and were very popular in our house!

Thank you to everyone who is attending the Year 6 Leavers Committee Quiz on the 13th March and has bought raffle tickets. We hope you have a wonderful, and very lucky night. And do look out for the Second Hand Uniform Sales so you can stock up on the summer uniform.

Archdeacon Lotto

We still have numbers available for the School Lotto. It's £36 for the year, and there are cash prizes to be won every month. Choose your lucky number at https://app.classlist.com/events/#/events/view/1354830885.
Please note you need to sign up every year. If you joined last year, you'll need to sign up again to be in with the chance to win in 2026.

There is still time to shop at Tesco!

Archdeacon PTA has been shortlisted for the Tesco Blue Token vote. If we win, we could receive £1,500 to buy brand new outdoor learning benches for our children.
So, if you're shopping at any local participating Tesco store do request a blue token and put it into the Archdeacon box. Every vote counts!

Summer Fair

Spring is finally on the horizon, but we're busy thinking about the Summer Fair. Do save the date in your diaries, **13th June.** Every year group will be running a stall so please do plan to get involved. Do also get in touch if you're able to help with raffle prizes.

Dates for the diary:

- **20th March and 17th April**, Second Hand Uniform Sales- please do donate any good quality summer uniforms you no longer need
- **29th April** – Bags2School
- **8th May** – Parent's Social. Reception Reps are organising a magnificent wine tasting, so you'll want to put this one in your diary now!
- **13th June** - Summer Fair
- **17th July**, Summer Disco

Have a great weekend!
Your PTA x



BOUNDLESS DANCE · BOUNDLESS DRAMA · BOUNDLESS RHYTHMS · BOUNDLESS THEATRE

-EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA WORKSHOPS-

MONDAY 30th MARCH 2026

-A Creative Day of Dance & Drama-

TUESDAY 31st MARCH 2026

-A Creative Day of Musical Theatre & K-POP-

WEDNESDAY 1th APRIL 2026

-A Creative Day of Wicked & Hercules-

TIME: 10am – 3pm

Early drop off at 9am and late pick up at 4pm available

AGES: 4.5 – 14 years of age

VENUE: Teddington Methodist Church, Stanley Road, Teddington, TW11-8TG

You can sign up to 1Day, 2Days or the full 3Days

PRICE: 1-DAY = £40, 2-DAYS = £70, 3-DAYS = £90.00

OUR EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA EVENT OFFERS ONE-OFF WORKSHOPS WHICH FOCUS ON DEVELOPING THE PARTICIPANTS APTITUDE AND SKILL LEVEL WITHIN ACTING, DANCING AND SINGING. ALL DISCIPLINES ARE DELIVERED BY PROFESSIONAL WEST END PERFORMERS WHO WILL BE WORKING WITH THE CHILDREN TO INCREASE THEIR CONFIDENCE, SOCIAL SKILLS AND HAVE A GREAT TIME.

WHETHER YOUR CHILD IS NEW TO THE ARTS OR HAS PLENTY OF EXPERIENCE PLEASE SIGN THEM UP FOR A FUN AND ENJOYABLE TIME WITH BOUNDLESS. PLEASE VISIT THE WEBSITE BELOW FOR MORE DETAILS.

TO SEE A FULL LISTING OF CLASSES & THE WORKSHOPS WE DELIVER PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE.

BOUNDLESS

07951 305935
info@boundlessarts.co.uk
www.boundlessarts.co.uk





KNIGHTS BASKETBALL

EASTER CAMPS

BATTLE CAMP WEEK1

MONDAY 30TH MARCH - THURSDAY 2ND APRIL

AGES 5-12 YRS
TIME: 10:00 -3PM
(EARLY DROP-OFF
AVAILABLE FROM 8:45AM

KNIGHTS NATIONS WEEK 2

TUESDAY 7TH APRIL - FRIDAY 10TH APRIL

AGES 5-12 YRS
TIME: 10:00 -3PM
(EARLY DROP-OFF
AVAILABLE FROM 8:45AM)

KNIGHTS NATIONS JERSEY
WITH EVERY 5-DAY BOOKING

WALDEGRAVE SCHOOL
FIFTH CROSS ROAD
TWICKENHAM, TW2 5LH

10% EARLY BIRD CODE: OQG826
EXPIRES: 15.03.26

SCAN QR CODE

CONTACT: OFFICE@KNIGHTSBASKETBALL.CO.UK
INSTAGRAM: @RICHMONDKNIGHTSBASKETBALL

BATTLE CAMP
EARN YOUR ARMOUR!

EASTER HOLIDAY

KNIGHTS BASKETBALL

OPEN GYMS & SKILLS CLINICS

MONDAY 30TH MARCH - FRIDAY 3RD APRIL
MONDAY 6TH APRIL - FRIDAY 10TH APRIL

WALDEGRAVE SCHOOL
FIFTH CROSS ROAD
TWICKENHAM
TW2 5LH

SKILLS CLINICS
TIME: 3:30PM - 5:30PM
INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

OPEN GYMS
SCHOOL YEAR 8+
TIME: 5:30PM -7:30PM

OPEN GYM BOOKINGS MAY CHANGE BASED ON NUMBERS. UPDATES WILL BE EMAILED.

SCAN QR CODE
CONTACT: OFFICE@KNIGHTSBASKETBALL.CO.UK
INSTAGRAM: @RICHMONDKNIGHTSBASKETBALL









EASTER CAMPS

At Venues Across Greater London And Surrey

CampEngland
Coaching by England Sports Group

Multi Sports Camps
A whole day filled with a variety of sports and games

Gymnastics Camps
Spend the day with us rolling, tumbling and flipping through a week of fun.

Racket Sports Camps
Padel, Pickleball & Tennis - An action packed day learning Tennis, Pickleball and *Padel.
*Padel available at Imber Court.

Dance & Drama Camps
Dance, act and sing our way through the holidays.

Great Value Camp Passes
Flexible for all the children in the family

CampEngland
Coaching by England Sports Group
CAMP PASS
VALID 12 MONTHS

For as little as £26.50 a day
Childcare Vouchers and Tax-Free Childcare accepted

Book your place today online at **www.englandsportsgroup.com**
Or call our friendly team on **0800 043 0707**

Ofsted



Why Camp England?

- **Not just childcare. A confidence boost.** Every child leaves with a new skill, a new friend and a personal win.
- **Zero Screens. Real Connection. Noticeable Difference.** Real games. Real teamwork. Real conversation - notice the difference by Friday.
- **Risk-Free Booking. Flexible. No Stress.** Free date transfers, free extended hours, no last-minute panic.



Camp Times

8.30am - 4.30pm	Multi-sports Camps
10am - 4pm	Tennis, Gymnastics and Dance & Drama Camps
Extensions	8am - 8.30am(paid) 8.30am - 10am(*free) 4/4.30pm - 5pm(*free)

*Free date transfers at least 14 days in advance, if less than 3 days no credit will be given to rebook

Camp Locations

Multiple fantastic sites across the Surrey and Greater London area.

To find the best camp for you please scan the QR code

Total Peace of Mind.

- Fully Enhanced DBS cleared team
- Level 2 & 3 Safeguarding trained
- Paediatric First Aid Lead on-site
- Kind, inclusive camp culture — zero tolerance for bullying

Book your place today online at **www.englandsportsgroup.com**
Or call our friendly team on **0800 043 0707**

The Richmond Dyslexia Association

Supporting your Dyslexic Child

Join us to find out what you can do to understand and support your child.

Monday 27th April from 7.15pm to 9pm
Richmond Library Annexe, Quadrant Road, Richmond TW9 1DH

Get free advice from our Dyslexia Specialists, SEN lawyer and SENCo

Find out what help is available in the local area

Chat to other parents

Free information handouts

Books and games for sale

All welcome,
book your free place now
info@richmonddyslexia.org.uk

www.richmonddyslexia.org.uk

HAMPTON SCHOOL

MUSIC WORKSHOP DAY



Join us on **Sunday 26 April** from **10.00am to 3.30pm** for a day of magical music-making

A fantastic opportunity for string, wind and brass players and anyone who loves to sing. Take part in a programme of workshops with experienced musicians and perform in a showcase concert in the Hammond Theatre.

Open to pupils in Year 3 and above
Musicians must be at least Grade One standard, singers of all standards welcome. *(We're sorry we can't cater for keyboard players and guitarists but please do come and join our choir!)*

The day is free of charge including lunch and refreshments.
Concert at 2.30pm, parents and teachers warmly invited.

Closing date for applications is Monday 16 March and early booking recommended.

Scan here to book a place