



# Cuffley School

# NEWSLETTER

*Caring Curious Courageous*

*26<sup>th</sup> September 2025*

## Welcome

A warm welcome to all of you who are new to our Cuffley Community – children, parents and staff. We hope that you have made a positive start. If you need any support whatsoever, or have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact us – we are here to help you!

I would like to introduce you to our team for 2025-2026 (the staff structure is attached). A very warm welcome to our Cuffley Crew for all our new joiners and returners. We are delighted to have you on board.

As many of you will know, Mrs Charlotte Lloyd, our Deputy Headteacher is on maternity leave. She welcomed a little baby boy to her family back in July. Our congratulations to her.

We have had a senior leadership re-jig to ensure that the school continues to run as smoothly as possible. Mrs Tracy Farmer and Mrs Andrea Charalambous, our Assistant Headteachers, have stepped up – and moved into the headship office at the main entrance to support me (Mrs Wendy Wing) in leading the school. We continue to work very closely with our colleagues Rachel Evans, a senior teacher, and Hannah Bedwell, our SENCO, both of whom have significant school leadership experience. And this year, I am pleased to welcome Mr Jon Fish onto our team. Please do come and say hello when you see us around.

We are hoping to recruit some additional staff, particularly midday supervisory assistants. If you are interested in either of these roles, please contact Mrs Nadine Grainger, our School Business Manager who will be happy to talk to you about the roles.

## Voluntary Roles

We are always looking for volunteers to come in and hear readers and to support clubs. Our volunteers are really important, and they make a difference. If you would like to volunteer to work with us, please contact Mrs Farmer who co-ordinates these roles.

## Driving and Parking

Just a gentle reminder - we have good relationships with our neighbours and local community. However, these are easily damaged when parents drive and park inconsiderately. Please help to continue to build good relations in our community by driving and parking responsibly.

## What's On

We have lots of dates for your diaries, including the autumn term parent consultations. Please keep an eye on What's On (towards the end of the newsletter) as well as Google Classroom for general updates and information.

## Secondary School Applications

[Online applications](#) are now open for secondary school admissions. Please go and visit the local schools to get a feel for them. If you would like any advice, please don't hesitate to contact us as we are happy to talk to you.

Please note that the **deadline** for secondary school applications is **31<sup>st</sup> October 2025**, which is at the end of this half term. **We would recommend that parents complete applications by Friday 24th October**, so that if there are any queries, they can be dealt with by the Admissions Team ahead of the deadline. Don't forget!

## Reception Applications

Applications for children to join Reception in September 2026 open on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025. [Tours](#) are available to visit the school during the working day and applications are made online through [Hertfordshire County Council](#). Please feel free to ask us any questions; we are here to help.

## Medical Information/Allergies

If your child has a medical condition/allergy that we should be aware of, or if they had a condition which has now changed, please let us know so that we can update our records and put appropriate plans in place if necessary.

## Nut Free School

As you are aware, we are a nut free school. We currently have children with severe nut allergies – one of which is an airborne allergy. If products contain nuts (spreads, biscuits, cereal bars, etc.) they can cause a severe, possibly fatal, reaction for some of our children. Thank you for taking additional care with packed lunches.

## School Photographs

### *Individual and Sibling Photographs*

A date for your diary – please note that the school photographer will be coming in to take individual and sibling photos on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**. Please send your child into school wearing winter uniform on this day.

## Sustainability

This year we have appointed a Sustainability Lead, Mrs Rachel Evans, who is joined by a working group including me - Mrs Wendy Wing (headteacher), Nadine Grainger our School Business Manager and Forest School Lead, Mrs Hannah Bedwell. Our aim is to work together to become a zero-carbon school. This isn't just about our environmental impact, it's about preparing our children for a sustainable future, creating healthier learning environments and showing leadership in our community. We look forward to sharing our initiatives with you.

## Magic Moment



Year 4 started the year off well, investigating unexplained phenomena in the Key Stage 2 playground. It turned out to be The Iron Man!

## What's On

29.09.25	Yr 4 Meet the Teacher – 2:30pm
30.09.25	Yr 2 Meet the Teacher – 2:30pm
03.10.25	Yr 6 Meet the Teacher – 2:30pm
06.10.25	SEND Coffee Morning – 9am
08.10.25	School Photographs
21.10.25	Prospective Parent Tours
22.10.25	Parent Consultations
23.10.25	Parent Consultations
24.10.25	Inset Day
<b>w/c 27.10.25</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
31.10.25	Secondary School Application Deadline
05.11.25	Prospective Parent Tours
10.11.25	Prospective Parent Tours
14.11.25	Flu Immunisations
18.11.25	Prospective Parent Tours
21.11.25	Mop Up Flu Immunisations
26.11.25	Prospective Parent Tours
04.12.25	Prospective Parent Tours
18.12.25	<b>End of Term – School finishes at 1:30pm</b>

## In Today's Post

Staff Structure
Class Allocation
KGV Flyer
Fun Fest Flyer
BeeZee Flyers
New Menu, Allergens and Ingredients

## Payment deadline dates

Dinner Money	On going
Milk Money	On going
Nursery Fees	On going
Isle Of Wight	On going
Shropshire	On going