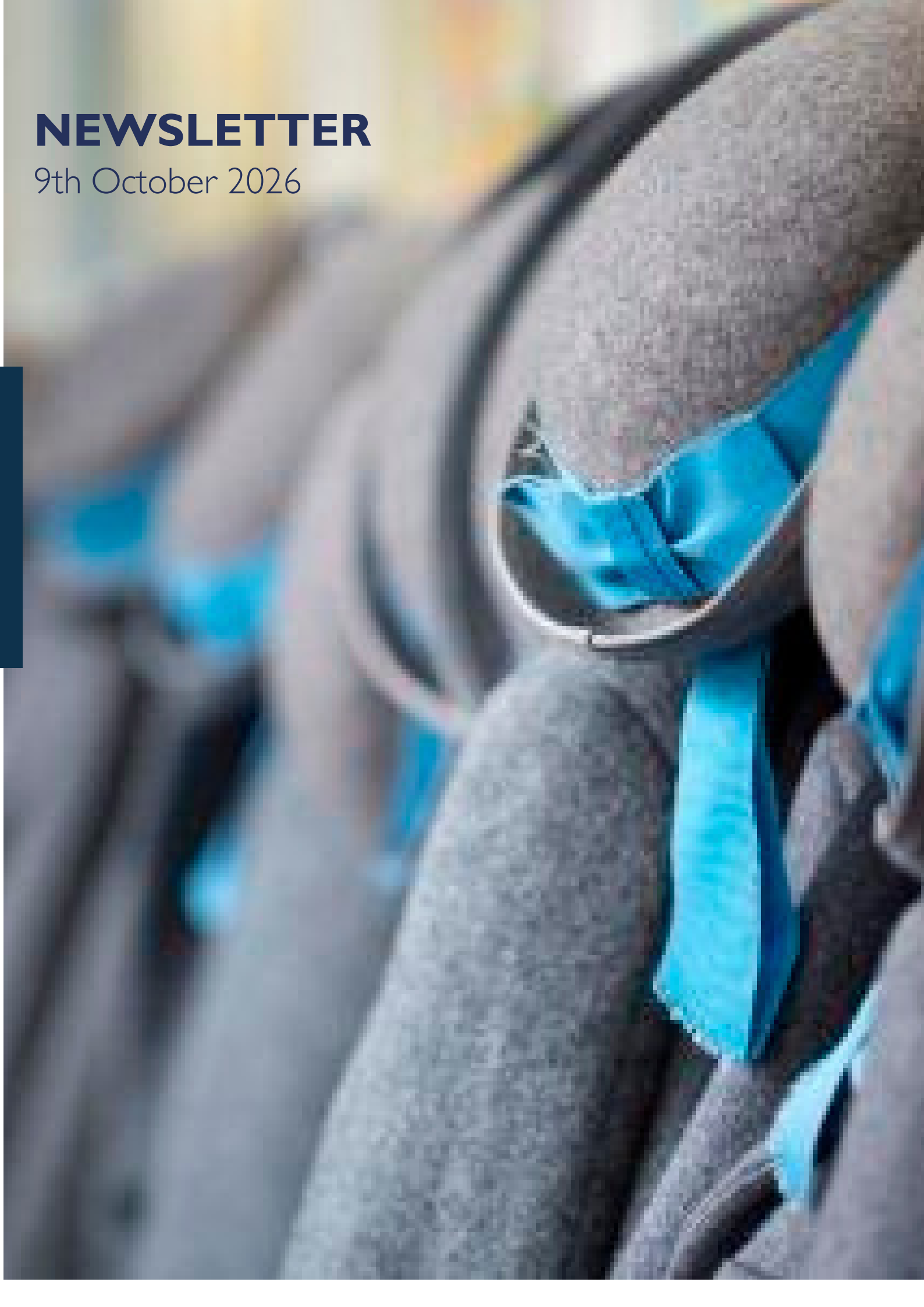


NEWSLETTER

9th October 2026



Message from the Head

It has been another busy and inspiring week at school, filled with productive conversations, valuable learning experiences, and wonderful additions to our resources!

Thank you to all who attended our recent Parents' Evening. We were delighted to welcome representatives from Lodestone House, our school caterers, who were on hand to discuss our dining provision, share menu insights, and answer questions. We appreciate your continued feedback in helping us provide nutritious, delicious meals for the girls.

On Monday evening, I attended a thought-provoking talk on misogyny at Berkhamsted School. It highlighted the crucial importance of fostering open, honest, and age-appropriate discussions with our children about respect, online safety, and positive relationships. Creating a safe space at home where your daughter feels comfortable asking questions and sharing her thoughts is one of the best ways to empower her.

Speaking of connecting with your children, please enjoy the school books coming home with your daughters today! Taking a few quiet moments so your daughter can talk through her work and achievements is a wonderful way to celebrate her progress and build her confidence.

A huge thank you to our hardworking PTA for their incredible generosity! Thanks to their fundraising efforts, we have recently bought: IT resources to enhance digital learning across the curriculum.

PE equipment for active sports sessions.

Early Years outdoor play equipment, which is already bringing huge smiles and creative play to our youngest pupils.

Many of our girls have already begun using and benefiting from these brilliant new additions.

As the weather turns noticeably colder, please ensure your daughter brings her raincoat and school fleece to school every day. Having proper outerwear ensures the girls stay warm, dry, and comfortable during outdoor breaks and outdoor learning sessions.

Wishing you all a warm and restful weekend!



Message from the Head Girl

What another busy week at Charlotte House!

Well done to everyone who has done their interhouse cross country races so far and if you haven't done it yet, good luck! Well done everyone last week at open morning, our guests seemed very impressed.

Also, thank you to everyone who bought in a donation for Harvest festival this week, there was so much good food going to people in need. (trust me, us year sixes had to carry it up to the van!)

For this week's challenge, here are some Charlotte House themed anagrams to get your brains working at the end of the week!

1. fodcenglish
2. ebjulie lahl
3. gksfresniih
4. sims odowkcoc
5. ltthcraeo shueo

Answers in next weeks' newsletter. Good luck!

Message from the Sports Captain



On Thursday 8th October Form V and VI participated in Cross Country try outs, well done for persevering throughout it all and good luck to Form III who are doing theirs today and to Form IV for doing it next week.

For the girls who have their first Cross Country don't worry, I know you will do a fantastic job. Good luck!

Merit Badge

This week's merit is for English.
Congratulations to the following girls:

Nursery	Leah
Reception	Mariyah
Form I	Millie
Form II	Josie
Form III	Alia
Form IV	Amaya
Form V	Rheya
Form VI	Zaira

HOUSEPOINTS

COMMENDATION CERTIFICATES

Goldfinches	92
Kingfishers	91
Robins	97
Woodpeckers	101

**WELL
DONE**

Woodpeckers

GOLD

SILVER

BRONZE

EXCELLENCE BOOK

Nursery

Name	Positive Attitude	PE	Topic	Total
Willa	1			1
Rhuthvi		1		1
Milani			1	1

Reception

Name	PE	Spanish	TOTAL
Mariyah	1		1
Nala	1		1
Annika	1		1
Tara	1		1
Eloise	1	1	2
Bonnie	1		1
Georgina	1		1
Noor	1		1

EXCELLENCE BOOK

Form I

Name	Maths	TOTAL
Lola	2	2
Soraya	1	1
Riya	1	1
Millie	1	1
Harper	1	1
Khushi	1	1

EXCELLENCE BOOK

Form II

Name	Netball	Poetry	Art	TOTAL
Sadie	1		1	2
Bella	1			1
Josie	1			1
Autumn	1	1		2
Aaradhya	1			1
Thea	1	1		2
Arabella	1			1
Ava	1	1		2
Azaiya		1		1

EXCELLENCE BOOK

Form III

Name	Spanish	Maths	Eng;ish	RE	History	TOTAL
Anvita	1					1
Isabella		1				1
Arisha			1			1
Vani			1			1
Nyra			1			1
Ava				1		1
Isabella					1	1

Form IV

Name	RE	English	TOTAL
Violet	1		1
Sophie		1	1
Shreeya		1	1
Georgia		1	1
Elif		1	1
Willow		1	1

EXCELLENCE BOOK

Form V

Name	History	Maths	RE	TOTAL
Ruhi	1		1	2
Octavia	1		1	2
Sienna	1			1
Elsie	1			1
Tylah	1	1		2
Niya	1	1		2
Rheya	1	1		2
Avni	1			1

Form VI

Name	Spanish	TOTAL
Zaira	1	1
Anyia	1	1

Out of School Achievements

Happy Birthday

Felicity
Aaradhya
Lola
Arabella
Azaiya
Khushi

Sienna
Dulcie



LETTERS & EMAILS SENT THIS WEEK

PTA REMINDERS

14 Oct 26 Swim Gala
at St Margaret's

15 Oct 26 Swim Gala
at St Helen's

Newsletter & Half
Term Review
Permissions - Not
sent to all parents

15 Oct 26 Amended
details Swim Gala at St
Helen's

V & IV Swim Squad
ESSA Championship

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets for the pantomime. There are limited tickets still available, so if you missed out and want to come on Thursday 12th December, please speak to your class rep.

Date for your diary:

Saturday 28th November -
Christmas Movie Night



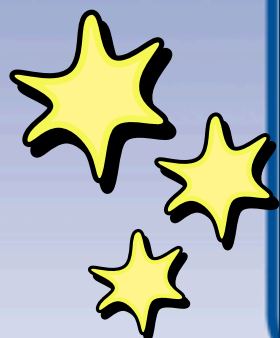
Accelerated
Reader

Congratulations

Niya Shah

1,020,477

on becoming
Accelerated Reader
Word Millionaires



**Thank you PTA for our lovely new
bikes**



harvest festival video in here



Amazing Harvest!

Charlotte House Prep School

For your incredible food donation of 129.70kg in support of Watford Foodbank.

Your dedication and support have made a huge difference to the lives of people living in poverty.

Jane Havlin
Foodbank Manager

Registered charity number 1184482. Registered in England and Wales.



Inter-House Cross Country 2026

Please see below the dates when your daughter's class will be going to Merchant Taylors to complete the Cross-Country run.

Date	Form	Leave	Start	Return
Tues 13th Oct	Form IV	2.35pm	3pm	3.35pm

For these events the girls need to have their house tops, shorts and trainers. If it is wet, they may wish to bring football boots to wear, if they have some, and we would advise bringing a carrier bag or two to put any muddy trainers/clothes in.

Many Thanks

Mrs C Britton
Director of Sport



DATE	EVENT
Monday 12th	Cauliflower cards - Deadline for orders
Tuesday 13 th	Cauliflower Cards artwork to be returned today

We will be running our autumn half-term chess camp at Habs Boys School from Weds. 28 to Friday 30 October.

Reduced early-booking prices are available for all bookings made before 10 October, including three full days for £155 instead of £180.



The camp is suitable for children of all levels, from complete beginners to experienced tournament players. Children will be grouped according to their age and playing strength.

Each day will include:

- Coaching and structured chess activities
- ECF-rated tournament games
- Separate support for beginners
- Fun chess games and prizes

The camp runs from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Children may attend for a half day, a full day, two days or all three days at Habs Boys School, Butterfly Lane, Elstree, WD6 3AF

Early-booking prices (all include VAT)—available before 10 October:

- Three full days: £155 instead of £180
- Two full days: £115 instead of £130
- One full day: £71.50 instead of £79
- Three half days: £100 instead of £110
- One half day: £43 instead of £47

To register, please visit: <https://www.premierchesscoaching.com/pay/>
Please select the required “Elstree Camp” option.

If you have any questions or are unsure which option would be most suitable for your child, please feel free to reply to this email.

Tomer Eden Premier Chess Coaching



Charlotte House
PTA

Pantomime Trip

Peter Pan

Thursday
10th December
★ at 2pm ★

Watersmeet Theatre,
Rickmansworth



Buy tickets here

[https://www.pta-events.co.uk/chps/
index.cfm?event=event&eventld=122938](https://www.pta-events.co.uk/chps/index.cfm?event=event&eventld=122938)

Gagan Mohindra MP

Please find below a message from our MP.

I am delighted to launch my annual Christmas Card Competition for 2026. This competition is open to every child of KS1 and KS2 age, and entries should be as fun and as colourful as possible!

Entries should be A4, and should be submitted to me via email, stating the entrant's name and their age. The quality of entries is always high, and I look forward to receiving as many as possible.

Please find attached a graphic that can be shared about the competition, and please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.

The deadline for entries is the 13th of November to allow sufficient time for the winning design to be printed and cards to be sent out before Christmas!

Looking forward to receiving all the excellent entries!

Many thanks,
Gagan

Gagan Mohindra MP (Gagan rhymes with dragon)
Conservative Joint Deputy Chief Whip
Member of Parliament for South West Hertfordshire



Design my Christmas Card!

❄ The annual competition is open to all children
in KS1 and KS2 in **South West Hertfordshire**

Please submit your designs via email to
gagan.mohindra.mp@parliament.uk





OCTOBER HALF-TERM PLAYBALL CAMP
St Clement Danes, Chorleywood
Tuesday 27th October | 10am–3pm | Aged 3-9 years

[BOOK NOW](#)

We're delighted to be back with a **spooktacular one-day Playball Halloween Camp** this October half-term!

Designed especially for children aged **3–9 years**, our camps combine the fun and excitement of Playball with a fantastic mix of sports, games, challenges, crafts and Halloween surprises.

Our camps are based around the fundamental sports skills introduced through the Playball programme, with our **coach-to-child ratio never exceeding 1:10**. This means our coaches can give each child plenty of individual attention, encouragement and confidence-boosting praise — helping everyone enjoy a fun, positive and active day.

Learn • Practice • Play!

Our Playball camps follow our '**Learn, Practice, Play**' philosophy, with a busy and varied programme including:

- Sports skills, games and drills
- Team-building activities and challenges Halloween-themed treasure hunt
- Halloween crafts
- **Fluorescent Fun!** – one of our favourite activities from previous camps, with colourful, glow-in-the-dark-style games and activities to add an extra splash of fun!
- Plenty of spooky surprises along the way!
- **Optional fancy dress** – come dressed as your favourite Halloween character!

Camp Details

Venue: St Clement Danes Sports Hall

Date: Tuesday 27th October **Time:** 10am–3pm **Cost:** £40 per child **Age:** 3 years+

Sibling discount: 10% available on request

A few things to know:

- Places are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.
- You **don't need to be a current Playballer** to join us — everyone is welcome!
- A minimum number of children is required for the camp to run.
- Fancy dress is optional, but very much encouraged!

Please feel free to **share this email with friends and family** — we'd love to welcome lots of new faces to the Playball fun!

For further information about our Playball camps, visit: www.playballkids.com/camps

We can't wait for a day packed with **sports, spooky fun, fluorescent excitement and plenty of Playball magic!** **BOOK NOW**

We look forward to seeing you there!

Jules

Playball SW Herts

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