



Headteacher: Mrs Lorraine Collins BA (hons), MA

24th October 2025

Our Value this half term is Compassion

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

These children are our **Values Champions** for the first half of this term having consistently demonstrated the value of **Compassion**. Congratulations to all of you.

Y1: Jaskiran; **Y2:** Olivia; **Y3:** Lydia-Mae; **Y4:** Cecelia; **Y5:** William; **Y6:** Albert.

Thank you very much for joining us for parent and carer consultations this week. It's lovely to see so many of you here and is really good to be able to discuss your children's progress with you.

Arbor App Due to the rising costs, in addition to e-mails, we will primarily be using the Arbor App to contact parents and carers instead of text messaging after half term. **Please make sure you download the App and switch the notifications setting on** to ensure that you do not miss any messages. Thank you.

Herts Parent Carer Involvement (HPCI) Survey for parents and carers of children and young people with SEND in Hertfordshire is open for you to give your views until 9th November. HPCI is an independent parent-led organisation, working alongside Hertfordshire health, education and social care services, to help focus the decision makers on improving services and outcomes for children and young people with SEND. They would love as many parents as possible to complete the survey about their experiences. Please click on the following link to take part:
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HPCISurvey2025>.

Youth Mayor Christmas Card Design Competition
Stevenage's Youth Mayor has launched a Christmas card competition which is open to all children. A template to draw the design will be attached to the e-mail with this newsletter. The deadline for entries is Friday 14th November so please send any designs in to school by 12pm on Wednesday 12th November or you can send your design to the Council address on the design template. There will be a prize for the winning entry. Have fun designing!

Achievements

Each week we will be focusing on a learning behaviour and one or two children who display this behaviour in each class will receive a certificate in celebration of this. Our learning behaviour this week has been **Perseverance**. Congratulations to:

Y1: Nolen & Unye; **Y2:** Eduardo & Cesur; **Y3:** Nina & Freddie; **Y4:** Amelia; **Y5:** Finlay & Aaron; **Y6:** Mathea & Noah W.

After half term we will be focusing on **Independence**.

House points

We are keeping a weekly tally of the number of House points each House has as well as a running total.

The overall total number of points so far this term for each House is:

St Andrew:	806
St Catherine:	718
St Clare:	665
St Francis:	663



Safety Online Simplified

Making friends online: The term 'online friend' can be used to describe people you only know through the internet, or those that you also know offline. Some children make friends online by meeting new people through online platforms such as gaming sites.

To help children have positive online friendships, read this [handy guide](#).

Remembrance poppies and accessories will be on sale in school when we return after half term. If you would like your child to buy one, please send money in with them in a named envelope. Poppies cost 50p and Accessories from £1. Thank you.

Have a great half term! Mrs Collins

Learning, Loving, Living in God's Family

"But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love forever and ever." Psalm 52:8

Diary dates

- **Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October** – Half Term
- **Wednesday 5th November** – Drumming Workshop in school
- **Tuesday 11th November** – second round of Flu immunisations in school
- **Friday 21st November** – Film night (t.b.c.)
- **Friday 5th December** – Christmas Fete after school
- **Monday 8th – Friday 12th December** – Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Nativities (times t.b.c.)
- **Monday 15th December** – Key Stage 2 Carol Service
- **Wednesday 17th December** – Pantomime in school
- **Wednesday 17th December** – School Christmas Lunch
- **Thursday 18th December** – Christingle service in school
- **Thursday 18th December** – Last Day of Term – Early Finish 1.30pm – No After School Club
- **Friday 19th December** – Occasional Day – School Closed
- **Monday 5th January 2026** – Back to School

♥ NOVEMBER POP UP EVENTS ♥

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WEDNESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 12PM - 2PM
FOODSHED, UNIT 1 - THE ORBITAL CENTRE,
COCKERELL CLOSE, STEVENAGE SG1 2NB

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