



Summer 9 - Newsletter - 18/06/2026

Message from Mrs Sherwood

I have lots of 'thank you's' to share this week to everyone who made our school 60th celebrations go so well.

Firstly, I need to say a huge thank you to the PTA and the staff for secretly making a tree of staff names and book of Icknield Walk First School memories, both of these are beautiful and such a wonderful way of marking our school's special milestone. I am also grateful to Pret-a-Portrait for the amazing, framed photo montage that they donated to us.

On Saturday 13th, the PTA did an absolutely fantastic job of organising our 60th anniversary festival; everyone had a great time. Thank you especially to Mrs Treharne who took responsibility for organising – everything went so well. There are number of people who made donations to the fair and raffle including Ensum Brown, Royston - Amanda Read of Balloon Gift Boutique & Events - T & T Roofing Limited - John R Ford Royston - Community at Royston Tesco Extra and the Outdoors Project. Thank you to Balloon Gift Boutique who provided 'guess the name of the bear' and a wonderful balloon arch, which was at the entrance to the festival.

Thank you to everyone who donated bottles for the bottle tombola, gave their time to make the event a success and indeed for those of you who attended!

We all had a lovely time celebrating the school's 60th anniversary and I feel so lucky to belong to such a lovely school community.

What's on over the next few weeks

Thursday 18.06.2026

Reception trip to the theatre.

am - Year 4 Recorder club

3.15-4.15pm - Lab Tots in Dove class

3.15-3.45pm - Year 3 Recorder Club

3.15-4.15pm - Football Feet

Friday 19.06.2026

pm - Swift class swimming - first lesson

pm - Falcon class swimming

3.15-4.15pm - Kings and Queens chess club in the dining hall

3.15-4.15pm - It's Your Cue drama club in Eagle class for Year 4s

Monday 22.06.2026

Learning logs go home

3.15-4.15pm - RTFC Gym club

3.15-4.15pm - It's Your Cue drama club in Swift class for Year 3s

Tuesday 23.06.2026

3.15-4.15pm - RTFC Multi sports skills club

Wednesday 24.06.2026

Guitar Lessons

8.45am - PTA serving refreshments in the dining room before sports day begins - cash only

9.15am - Sports day for Years 1-4 - parents/carers of children in years 1-4 are invited to attend

2.15pm - Meeting for parents of children starting Reception in September 2026

3.15-4.15pm - Outdoors Project Club

Thursday 25.06.2026

am - Year 4 Recorder club

3.15-4.15pm - Lab Tots in Dove class

3.15-3.45pm - Year 3 Recorder Club

3.15-4.15pm - Football Feet

Friday 26.06.2026

pm - Falcon class swimming

pm - Swift class swimming

3.15-4.15pm - Kings and Queens chess club in the dining hall

3.15-4.15pm - It's Your Cue drama club in Eagle class

Monday 29.06.2026

2.45 pm - Year 1 Owl class assembly - parents and carers of Owl class are invited to attend.

3.15-4.15pm - RTFC Gym club

3.15-4.15pm - It's Your Cue drama club in Swift class for Year 3s

Tuesday 30.06.2026

3.15-4.15pm - RTFC Multi sports skills club

Wednesday 01.07.2026

Piano & Guitar lessons

8.45am - PTA serving refreshments in the dining room before sports day begins - cash only

9.15 am - Reception Sports and Open event - parents and carers of Reception children are invited to attend

2.45pm - Year 3 Swift class assembly- parents and carers of Swift class are invited to attend

3.15-4.15pm - Outdoors Project Club

Thursday 02.07.2026

am - Year 4 Recorder club

2.00 pm - Nursery open event - parents and carers of Nursery are invited to attend

3.15-4.15pm - Lab Tots in Dove class

3.15-3.45pm - Year 3 Recorder Club

3.15-4.15pm - Football Feet

Friday 03.07.2026

pm - Falcon class swimming

pm - Swift class swimming

3.15-4.15pm - Kings and Queens chess club in the dining hall

3.15-4.15pm - It's Your Cue drama club in Eagle class

HCC - 20mph speed limit consultation for Royston



This week, year 4 were visited by the Hertfordshire Transport team to talk about the 20mph speed limit consultation for Royston. The team told us that they thoroughly enjoyed meeting the children and that they were enthusiastic, engaged, and a pleasure to work with.

You can share your views by completing a short online survey for the *Royston* 20mph scheme. The consultation is open from **Monday 15th June 2026 to Sunday 12th July 2026**, and the link is as follows: letstalktransport.hertfordshire.gov.uk/royston-20mph or use the QR code.

PTA News





Saturday - What an incredible day! 🤍 🎉

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our 60th Anniversary Festival and helped make it such a fantastic success.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who gave up their time to help set up, run stalls, clear away and keep everything running smoothly throughout the day. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes, gifts and supplies, and to all of the local businesses and supporters who contributed so generously.

Ensum Brown Royston - Balloon Gift Boutique & Events Herts, Cambs, Beds & Essex - T & T Roofing Limited - John R Ford Royston - Community at Royston Tesco Extra

Most importantly, thank you to our wonderful school community. Whether you bought a raffle ticket, enjoyed the games, bounced on the inflatables, purchased refreshments, or simply came along to celebrate with us, your support helped create an amazing atmosphere and a truly memorable day.

For all of those who missed the announcement on Saturday. The name of the bear was 'Nibbles' which was named after Mrs Sherwood's first pet. And there were 64 balloons in the car. Well done to all of the winners 🏆

Together, we raised an incredible £4,800, which will go a long way and help fund exciting opportunities and resources for the children.

Seeing so many past and present families, staff and friends come together to celebrate 60 years of our school was incredibly special. The smiles, laughter and community spirit on display throughout the day made all of the hard work worthwhile.

Thank you for helping us celebrate this milestone in such a wonderful way. Here's to the next 60 years!



#60thAnniversary #SchoolCommunity #ThankYou

Sports Day Refreshments - we will be serving these before each sports day from 8.45am until the sports are about to start. Cash only please and we look forward to seeing you all.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS – ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

If you are in receipt of qualifying benefits and have not yet registered for Free School Meals, or wish to check your eligibility please register online at [Free School Meals -Herts CC](#) .

Applying is quick and confidential. Even if you are unsure whether you qualify, we encourage you to apply, as eligibility can also help the school access additional funding to support pupils.

Sun Protection Procedures

- Everyone needs a named water bottle in school - every day.
- All children need a named hat to wear when outside in the sunshine (these can be purchased from Schoolyard or local supermarkets).
- Children need their own named sunscreen which should be given to the class teacher and kept in school. Sun sticks or roll on sunscreens can be easier for the children to handle themselves. Please practise with your child to help them apply their own sunscreen as the staff are not allowed to rub in sun screens and children are not allowed to rub them on each other.
- We do not encourage the use of sunglasses, however if you wish for your child to wear them at playtime because they have hay fever, please make sure they are named. If your child does wear sunglasses, we will encourage them to choose a quiet activity at playtime.

Events in and around Royston and other useful information



**FREE
OPEN DAY**
AT ROYSTON LEISURE CENTRE

Saturday 20th June 2026

- FREE swimming sessions
- FREE group exercise classes
- FREE bouncy castle sessions
- FREE racquet sports
- FREE personal training tasters
- & Much more!....

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**MONDAYS
3:15PM - 4.15PM**

ICKNIELD WALK FIRST SCHOOL

7-8 YEAR OLDS - YEAR 3

£7 PER SESSION

TO SIGN UP OR FIND OUT MORE CONTACT ALISHA:
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WWW.THISISBLOB.CO.UK



THEATRE TRAIN DANCE ACT SING

MOANA

summer holiday club

Celebrating the Moana films and the live action remake
 Dance - Act - Sing - Craft - Fun!

Thursday 30th July
 Stage Right Studios, Royston
 9:30-11:30
 Ages 4 - 6 years
 £19
 Early bird discount when booked by 4th June

£35pp
 £32pp early bird (Book by 4th June)

Sibling Discounts

SUMMER FESTIVAL

AGE 5 (YR 1) AND ABOVE

STAGE RIGHT STUDIOS ROYSTON

THURSDAY 30TH JULY 9AM - 3:30PM

Choose your own TAX-FREE CHILD CARE

Dance - Act - Sing
 - craft and more!
 - games
 - quizzes

Summer holiday clubs booking now!

Contact Jess on:
 07747 608 180
royston@theatretrain.co.uk

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Free trials booking for September classes now - limited spaces available!

Holiday club attendees are AUTOMATICALLY eligible for a 2 week free trial at any weekday class

Classes for 3 - 18 year olds on Wednesdays and Fridays at Stage Right Studios in Royston

Drop me a line for more info!

We offer fun and engaging skills-building weekly classes, plus additional options of annual shows, exams, holiday clubs, discount theatre trips and more!

NEW PLAYERS WANTED!



SHEPRETH SPITFIRES UNDER 8'S - 66 SQUADRON

SEASON 26/27



TRAINING: TUESDAYS 5:30PM - 6:30PM



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AGES 6-7 WELCOME!

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FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

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Please contact us for more information

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Exciting news!



This year's **Royston in Blue** event is on
Sunday 28th June 2026.

The **5km fun run/walk** is a wonderful family event to take part in, to raise funds for The Teenage Cancer Trust.

It will be held at the Therfield Heath in Royston at 11am.

Last year the community of Royston and surrounding villages raised over £20,000 for The Teenage Cancer Trust.

We hope you can join us on the day.

You can look on the Royston in Blue Website

<https://roystoninblue.co.uk/>

or

Our link to RaceBest is

<http://racebest.com/races/7z2xa>

or



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Want to know more, [see this handy intro](#)

These donations really help us and all you have to do is use [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) when you're ordering the things you'll be buying anyway.

North Hertfordshire College are hiring

North Hertfordshire College, are currently recruiting new term-time positions for a September 2026 start.

These roles include supporting students in the classroom and around campus, helping them develop independence, confidence, and the skills they need to succeed. We're reaching out to people who may be interested in making a real difference to learners with diverse needs.

The roles are available at our Stevenage, Hitchin, and new Town Centre Campus. All roles are term-time only, making them ideal for someone looking for a rewarding role that fits around school holidays.

Please visit: www.nhc.ac.uk/discover/about-us/work-for-us/recruitment-event/ Alternatively, you can reach out to our recruitment team by emailing recruitment@nhc.ac.uk

College term-times may differ from school term times.

Weblinks that can help you

[NSPCC](#) - Online safety.

[Smartphone Free Childhood](#)

[Angels Support \(ASD & ADHD\)](#)

Herts CC [Relationship advice](#)

[Families Feeling Safe](#)

[NESSIE - Positive Mental Health](#) - Lots of talks and courses to help you and your child with their mental health.

[Supporting Family Links](#) - Promoting Strong Family Relationships with children up to the age of 12, lots of online courses to help.

Herts CC Cost of living resources - [cost-of-living-flashcard \(thegrid.org.uk\)](#)

North Herts Family Support Services - [www.hertsfamilycentres.org](#)

[www.supportinglinks.co.uk](#) - Workshops/training courses for parents/carers of children (up to age 25).

BeeZee Bodies - [www.beezeebodies.com](#)

[North Herts Special Provision updates - look here for SEN and Behaviour support](#)

[Free School Meals](#)

[Neurodiversity Support Hub](#)

Lumi Nova - Fun digital therapy for childhood anxiety - <https://luminova.app/>

Mind Hertfordshire Network -

The Sleep Charity - <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/>