

Friday 1st May 2026

Summer term 1: issue 3

I am delighted to announce that we have 3 winners of the Lambing Event art competition - well done to Theodore, Shanmith and Emily!

Your posters were beautiful!

Congratulations for winning tickets to the Lambing Weekend at Oaklands College!

I wish you a lovely long weekend (remember it is Bank Holiday on Monday so school is closed) - see you on Tuesday 5th May!



Sponsored Walk

This Shenley superstar will be taking part in a sponsored walk on the 17th of May, starting at 9am.

The route is just over 5 miles, beginning at Shenley Primary School and finishing at the National Animal Welfare Trust in Watford.

The reason:

As many of you know, this Shenley superstar's mum works for the NAWT, and a few weeks ago they took in a very poorly dog. Her name is Pebble, an abandoned stray who arrived extremely sick and in need of lifesaving surgery. Thanks to generous support, NAWT was able to raise the funds for her operation. When she heard Pebble's story, she immediately wanted to help. She's now raising money to support the much-needed aftercare Pebble will require as she continues to recover.

What our Shenley superstar says:

I am fundraising for NAWT (the National Animal Welfare Trust) to help Pebble. She has already had her surgery, but her recovery has been really hard - she's so weak that she can barely lift her head. As a big animal lover, her story really inspired me, and I wanted to do something to help.

Here is the link to her fundraising page if you are able to sponsor her:

[Just Giving link](#)

Thank you for getting behind her!

Everyone at Shenley is so proud of you - we are all cheering you on and wish you lots of luck!



Otter Class Performance

Otter class had a fantastic morning at Hertswood Academy. They were invited to join in a multi-school vocal project where they learnt some songs to perform together, alongside other primary schools and some of the Year 7 Hertswood Choir. Otter Class did us all proud! Well done!



Hedgehog Class - Assembly

On Thursday, Hedgehog Class wowed us with their beautiful singing and wonderful work! They spoke and sang so confidently in front of a packed audience - we are so proud of all of our youngest Shenley children. Thank you to the Hedgehog Class team and the families who came to support!

SHENLEY'S GOT TALENT is back!

DATE OF SHOW: 12th JUNE 2026

START TIME: 3:30 pm

DOORS OPEN AT 3pm

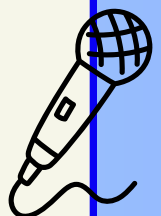
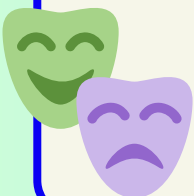
Tickets will be sold a week before in the playground (this will allow early 3pm access). Tickets will also be sold on the door on the day.

AUDITIONS (in school): Thursday 21st May at 1:15pm

FINAL AUDITION (in school): Thursday 4th June at 1:15pm

Children can audition as a solo act or perform as part of a group - they will be supported throughout!

Lots more information will be provided by the PTA nearer the time. Please encourage your children to take part - it's great fun and raises a lot of money for our wonderful school!




Online Safety Talk for Parents/Carers

On Wednesday 20th May at 2.15pm, please join us for an online safety talk led by the Hertfordshire Constabulary. The officers will highlight the type of illegal online activity children can become involved in, understand what the consequences could be and emphasise the better ways for our children to use their skills and interest in technology. There is also best practice advice on how to protect oneself from fraud and cybercrime, with the aim to protect our identity, privacy, and money. This advice is suitable for parents with children of all ages and will include a Q&A session to help address any questions you may have.

Please click on this link to find incredibly useful information and top tips on how to keep your children safe online and beyond:

<https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/>



School Council
AND ECO WARRIORS
PRESENT


JUST ONE TREE DAY 2026

For every £1 we raise, a tree gets planted!

When: Friday 12th June

What: Donate £1 on Arbor

Wear: 1 green item to school



JUST ONE TREE.

The poster features a vibrant green and blue background with a forest illustration at the bottom. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical manner, starting with the organizing groups, followed by the event title, and then the details of the event. The 'JUST ONE TREE' logo is prominently displayed at the bottom right.

Celebrations

Class	Star of the Week	Headteacher's certificate
 Hedgehog class	Whole class	Lenny
 Fox class	Toni	Sophie
 Stag class	Bonnie	Frankie
 Dormouse class	Zara	Jaxon
 Otter class	Whole class	Max
 Squirrel class	Whole class	Tommy-Lee



Special Recognition Letter

At the end of each term, one stand-out Shenley pupil will receive a Special Recognition Letter for their wonderful contribution to Shenley school life and for embodying our values. We are very proud of Daniel in Year 6 for receiving the spring term Special Recognition Letter - he is an outstanding member of our school community.



Whole school attendance this week was

91.5%



The class with the best attendance (**93.7%**) this week was **Dormouse Class** - well done for winning the attendance trophy!



Dates for your Diary

Please keep checking this section as dates may be added or amended.

April:

Monday 20th: Year 4 and Year 6 sports trip

Thursday 23rd: 9.05am - Year 1+2 Fox Class assembly for parents/carers to attend

Thursday 23rd: Year 1 parents/carers Phonics Screening Check information meeting (straight after the assembly)

Thursday 30th: 9.05am - Hedgehog Class assembly for parents/carers to attend

Thursday 30th: Year 5 Vocal Project at Hertswood Academy during the school day (parents/carers invited to watch the concert at Hertswood Academy - please see letter for information)

May:

May Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May 2026

Monday 11th - Thursday 14th - Year 6 SATs week

INSET Day: Friday 22nd May 2026 (children do not attend school)

Half term break: Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2026

June:

Monday 1st: children return to school at 8.45am

Wednesday 3rd: Eco Warriors trip to Serge Hill

Thursday 4th: Year 3 residential to Tolmers Wood

Monday 8th: Friday 12th: Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (PSC)

Monday 8th: Friday 13th: Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

Friday 12th: Just One Tree Day (wear 1 green item/accessory to school) and donate £1 on Arbor

Friday 12th: Shenley's Got Talent at 3.30pm

Friday 26th: Sports Day

Monday 29th: Year 6 residential to Runway's End

July:

Friday 10th: Shen Fest

Summer holiday - last day of the school year is Wednesday 22nd July 2026

INSET day: Thursday 23rd July 2026 (children do not attend school)

Parents and Carers talk about mental health within a family

**Is your child or young person
receiving support or on a waiting list
for a mental health service?**

Please join us at an information session to learn more about mental health within a family and get practical ideas and strategies to help your child towards recovery

Where: Online over Zoom.

When: Tuesday 5th May 7pm to 9pm

For more information or to book your place:

Call: 01992 58 69 69

Email: contact@carersinherts.org.uk

Go online: www.carersinherts.org.uk/events



About Carers in Hertfordshire

We are a charity that provides information, advice and support to unpaid carers - people looking after a partner, relative or friend, who is ill, elderly, has a physical or learning disability, or misuses substances.

We support carers of all ages - young people and adults - living, working or caring in Hertfordshire. Our services are free to carers and bereaved carers, who can access support for three years after the death of the person they looked after.

We provide services to carers to help them with their caring role or have a break from caring, to improve their health and wellbeing, and to have a voice in shaping health and community services.

We are partly funded by Hertfordshire County Council and the NHS in Hertfordshire. In partnership with them and other local organisations we work to ensure unpaid carers are identified, informed, supported and heard.

Carers in Hertfordshire

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www.carersinherts.org.uk

Our support for parents and carers.

We have a team of Carer Engagement Workers who can provide advice and information and also support you to speak up.

We also:

- Give you a chance to meet and talk to other parents, carers and staff who understand;
- Give you the opportunity to represent your views to the authorities that commission and manage Children and Young People's Mental Health Services (CYPMHS) in Hertfordshire;
- Provide free training and learning opportunities; and
- Offer a Carers' Passport Discount Card that gives savings in shops, restaurants and other venues (contact us to apply for one today!)

