

End of Autumn Term Newsletter

Friday 19th December 2025



Senior Leadership Teams End of Term Words

As we come to the end of 2025 we celebrate and reflect on all the incredible achievements our pupils have made and all the wonderful experiences we have shared. We made music with Electric Umbrella and danced with Miss Daisy during our English week. We welcomed Ranger Stu and Sally Squiggles to our Tonwell site for weekly sessions with the pupils. We held our wonderful community day at the new school allotment where friends, family, the local community and Governors came to help. The sun shone at our yearly Sports Day at Wodson Park and throughout the year pupils have been on trips to the local community such as to Hertfordshire Zoo, the local Fire station, Christmas Tree Farm and community libraries, as well as further afield when Tonwell students recently went to Winter Wonderland in London. We held our yearly school birthday and Butterfly Garden event with a whole school picnic and ice cream for all. We have also welcomed in outside agencies to deliver sports activities, music and dancing events as well as a recent construction workshop for our upper school pupils.

What a wonderful, fun packed year it has been and we can't wait to welcome everyone back in 2026.

From all of us at Amwell View School we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Back to School— September 2025

Class 1 explored group games to build friendships, these games were fun and allowed class to share their happiness with their new friends.



[Click here](#) to see
Community Class'
first day!

Tonwell Satellite

Amwell View School increased the number of pupils who attend the Tonwell Satellite school by a further 11 pupils from September 2025, bringing the total number to 21. The school has two classes Tonwell 1 and Tonwell 2, with plans for a third class to open in the new year. Headteacher, Neil Ward said *"the expansion of this satellite school will allow the increase in pupils on roll at our Stanstead Abbots site. We recognise the importance of creating more spaces to ensure that parents and carers can send their children who have special educational needs to a school to ensure they can learn and be safe as they continue their path to adulthood."*

Tonwell Satellite - Harvest Festival

On Wednesday 24th September 2025, the pupils hosted their first celebratory service with parents in attendance for their Harvest Festival.

Class Teacher, Hayley said *"The pupils brought along lots of handmade Harvest crafts, such as leaf cellophane decorations and pattern garlands, which they enjoyed showing off to each other and their parents. They also brought along the class scarecrows, which they helped to make earlier in the week. Pupils enjoyed dancing and singing to lots of Harvest songs and loved celebrating all together for the first time this academic year."*



Construction Workshop

On Thursday 9th October, Ruby from Tilbury Douglas came into school to run a workshop about the construction industry for our upper school pupils. This gave all pupils a valuable world of work encounter that enhanced their understanding of that industry and also gave them a new experience, in which they could demonstrate their learnt skills in a new context. Pupils engaged with activities to do with wearing PPE, traffic management, wallpaper design and sorting items by colour and size. Pupils also got an experience of building their own wall using foam bricks whilst following instructions to build the tallest and most stable wall they could. [Click here to see more!](#)



Fire Engine Visit

Harlow Fire Service were kind enough to stop by and show some of our pupils their fire engine, equipment and fire suits. The pupils had the opportunity to hold onto heat radars, looking through the screen and seeing their peers and staff in thermal colours! They also enjoyed climbing up onto the fire engine and exploring the inside of the truck. The flashing lights brought the experience to an exciting end and we are very grateful to Harlow Fire Service for making the time to come and see us. [Click here to see our reel.](#)



Tonwell Christmas Carols

On Wednesday 3rd December, parents, governors and local authority members joined Tonwell 1 and 2 for a Christmas carol celebration. They enjoyed lots of singing, dancing and mince pies, as well as a good Christmas natter. Thank you to everyone who joined in the festivities!

[Click here to see more of the festivities!](#)



Haircuts in The Salon

Amwell View School has a hairdresser Claire. Claire has over 25 years experience within the industry cutting hair for young people with SEN; she joins us once a week during school hours.



SPRING Term Dates

- ◆ Mon 5th Jan School Opens to Pupils - Start of Spring Term
- ◆ Wed 7th Jan Community Class Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 14th Jan Class 7 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 21st Jan Students 2 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 28th Jan Class 6 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 4th Feb Students 1 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 11th Feb Class 5 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Fri 13th Feb Pupils Break Up for Half Term
- ◆ Mon 16th - Fri 20th Feb Half Term
- ◆ Mon 23rd Feb School Opens to Pupils
- ◆ Wed 25th Feb Class 12 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 4th Mar Class 3 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 11th Mar Class 11 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 18th Mar Class 2 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 25th Mar Lower School Easter Service 9.45-10.15
- ◆ Wed 25th Mar Upper School Easter Service 10.45-11.15
- ◆ Thurs 26th Mar Pupils break up - End of Spring Term
- ◆ Fri 27th Mar INSET Staff Training Day - School closed to pupils
- ◆ Mon 30th Mar - Fri 10th Apr Easter Holidays
- ◆ Mon 13th Apr INSET Staff Training Day - School closed to pupils
- ◆ Tues 14th Apr School Opens to Pupils - Start of Summer Term
- ◆ Wed 15th Apr Class 1 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 22nd Apr Class 10 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Wed 29th Apr Foundation 3 Achievement Assembly 14.50-15.20
- ◆ Mon 4th May Bank Holiday
- ◆ Mon 18th May - Friday 22nd May School Show Week
- ◆ Fri 22nd May Pupils Break Up for Half Term

[2025-2026 Term Dates](#)

[2026-2027 Term Dates](#)

Harvesting and Preparing Allotment

The pupils in Amwell View School's Community Classroom have been working hard on the allotment harvesting the fruits and vegetables they have grown which included potatoes, rhubarb and grapes. The fresh produce was then offered to staff at the main school site to purchase for a small donation.

Janet, School Business Manager said *"It is amazing to be offered the fresh vegetables and fruit. I had some of the potatoes and some sticks of rhubarb. The pupils have done a brilliant job and work very hard on the allotment. We are very proud of them all."*

Class Teacher, Laura said *"The pupils are now preparing the school allotment for the winter planting onions, garlic and cabbages. They are also learning how to dig using sand as an alternative material."*

Headteacher, Neil said *"We are so lucky to have found this allotment which is so close to the classroom and main school site in Stanstead Abbots. The Community Classroom curriculum comprises of areas that are important for the transition from Amwell View to life after school. Working on the allotment is great. The pupils can learn and practice their skills and take this experience with them into adulthood."*



Winter Wishes at Winter Wonderland

Tonwell Class Teachers were successful in acquiring tickets to visit Winter Wonderland for their 'Winter Wishes' event on 19th November 2025.

Tonwell 1 Class Teacher said, "This special event sees Hyde Park closed to the general public, operating on dramatically reduced numbers in order to support those less able to access the park under normal circumstances."

Parents and carers were given the opportunity to attend alongside their young person for this offsite visit trip and twelve family members accepted the invitation, joining the pupils and staff for an amazing day in London.

Class teacher said, "The pupils were fantastic.

They very much enjoyed the long coach journeys to and from Central London, as well as the excitement in the park. A highlight was visiting the

Magical Ice Kingdom which was -10 degrees Celsius! It was an experience the pupils have never had before and found very exciting. Being able to spend time alongside the pupils and their families was lovely and we are so pleased with the number of adults who were keen to attend."



Christmas at Amwell View School

On Wednesday 27th November all of the staff at Amwell View transformed the school into a Christmas Wonderland.

We transformed all the display boards into Winter Scenes this year.

We enjoyed Christmas songs and festive treats, and it was fantastic to see the children's reactions on the Thursday morning.

[Click here to see us get ready for Christmas!](#)

Wreath making workshop

Staff had the opportunity to take part in a wreath making workshop. Lots of festive fun was had! [Click here to see more.](#)



Van Hage Garden Centre and Dane End Christmas Tree Farm

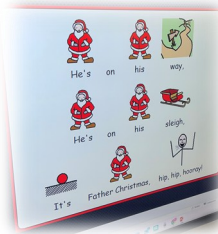
Community Classroom had the opportunity to choose our Christmas tree at Van Hage Garden Centre. A huge thank you to Van Hage who kindly donate to us every year. [Click here to see.](#)

Class 8 and Community Class visited Dane End Christmas Tree Farm. [Click here to see them in action.](#)

Xmas Fest

On Tuesday 9th December we had our Xmas Fest where classes performed Christmas songs together on the stage.

[Click here to see some of their performances.](#)



Christmas Carols event

On Wednesday 3rd December pupils, families and friends gathered for a joyful evening of music, singing, tombola and cake raffle at the school's annual Carols, raising an amazing £357.

The hall was filled with festive spirit, smiles and a cheerful atmosphere. Thank you to all who attended this memorable evening.

[Click here to see the festive evening.](#)



Christmas Jumper Day and Lunch

On Wednesday 10th December the whole school came together for our Christmas Lunch prepared by [The Chef's Table.](#)

