



## **CRAZY PARTY NIGHT IN SUPPORT OF OUR DRAGONS!**

Our Dragon's Apprentice Challenge team – Bills Inspiring Linked up Legends – are hosting a Crazy Party games Night at St Luke's School on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February! The event will take place from 7pm to 10.30pm, tickets £10 per person, including food. Please bring your own alcohol. All money raised on the night will go toward the Dragon's chosen charity, Gaddesden Riding for the Disabled.

To book tickets, please phone or email the school office. Tickets are limited, so please be aware that they will be issued on a first-come-first-serve basis! To clarify – this is an adult-only event.

## **IMPROVE ENGLISH AND MATHS SKILLS FOR FREE!**

Do you want to improve your reading, writing or maths skills? The Open University, in partnership with West Herts College, offers a range of exciting new free OpenLearn online courses in maths and English, which you can [access via this link](#). Ideal for anyone looking to upskill for promotion, support children with their homework or anyone studying for personal advancement.

## **INCLUSIVE FOOTBALL FESTIVAL**

Come along and enjoy football for fun! Skills coaching, football activities and mini matches to suit all ages from 6 years to 25 years. Suitable for those with a disability and/or additional needs. Siblings

"Think of it: a disability is usually defined in terms of what is missing. But autism is as much about what is abundant as what is missing."  
Paul Collins

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

### **JANUARY**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 25<sup>th</sup>**

Understanding the World Week

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>**

Open Morning for New Parents,  
9.30am

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup>**

Boxmoor Trust Visit for Lions,  
Parents' Evening, 4.30-6.30pm

### **FEBRUARY**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup>**

Cedar Assembly, 8.45am

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> to Friday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Careers Theme Week

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Coffee Morning, 9.45am

**Visit us for more info. at**

**[www.collett.herts.sch.uk](http://www.collett.herts.sch.uk)**

**You can also follow us on**

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**Facebook, [Friends of Collett](#)**

**or Twitter, [@CollettSchool](#)**

welcome too. This event takes place on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February with the Hemel Aces at Hemel Hempstead School, Heath Lane, Hemel Hempstead. Register 10.30am, finishes 1pm. Please bring astro trainers, water and warm sports clothing. Pre-register via [karen.stephanou@watfordfc.com](mailto:karen.stephanou@watfordfc.com)

Parents/carers are expected to stay at the event unless there is an allocated adult responsible for the player. Find out more at [www.hertsyouthinclusivefootball.org](http://www.hertsyouthinclusivefootball.org)

## HEALTH & WELLBEING DSPL COURSE

This free course, held over six weeks, will provide you as parents/carers with skills and support to help your child and improve your health and wellbeing. Learn more about young people's mental health and recovery, effective communication skills, family culture, problem solving and looking after yourself.

Hosted at Hobbs Hill Wood School, Hemel Hempstead, on Wednesdays from 23<sup>rd</sup> January till 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 7-9pm.

These sessions are for parents/carers of Dacorum secondary aged children. Booking required, please contact Ashley Fabray, DSPL8 Administrator, on [fabraya@kls.herts.sch.uk](mailto:fabraya@kls.herts.sch.uk) or 07525 917 125.

## DISABILITY HOCKEY SESSIONS

St Albans Flyerz is a disability hockey project which makes hockey available to all via inclusive sessions. No previous experience or equipment is needed, just turn up to the free sessions on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March or Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April at Marlborough School (indoor, 11.45am-1pm) or St Albans Hockey Club (indoor 10.30am-12pm or outdoor 11am-12.30pm).

These sessions are relaxed, supportive and open to all abilities from age 5 upwards. Email [flyerzsahc@gmail.com](mailto:flyerzsahc@gmail.com) or visit [www.stalbanshc.co.uk](http://www.stalbanshc.co.uk) for more information.

## HELP US IMPROVE OUR SCHOOL!

Each week, we'll be posting a list of items our staff are looking for to improve their classrooms for their students. If you have spare or unused items that match the descriptions below, then please contact the school office on [admin@collett.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@collett.herts.sch.uk) or 01442 398 988. We're looking for the following:

## QUICK REMINDERS

Our current school lunch menu is [available here](#).

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## LOCAL COURSES FOR YOU

### FAMILY SUPPORT COURSES

Upcoming Gade Schools Family Support Courses are listed [on our website](#).

### PARENT SUPPORT BOOKLET

We have uploaded a PDF containing local support groups and workshops, [click here to see it](#) or find it on the Parents & Carers page on the website.

### NEW SUPPORT COURSES

There's a host of new courses based in Hemel and Watford – you can find a list of them [on our website](#).

### BOX MOOR TRUST

#### CONSULTATION LETTER

Please find this attached to the email edition of this newsletter.

## WHAT'S ON NEAR YOU

### AUTISM FRIENDLY

#### CINEMA SCREENING

*How To Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World* will be shown on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 11am.

### **MIMI & THE MOUNTAIN DRAGON @ THE OLD TOWN HALL**

Michael Morpurgo's heart-warming tale springs to life in this wonderful performance at the Old Town Hall in Hemel Hempstead on

Lockable pedestal filing cabinet / Painters / Playmobil / Baby gate / Spare astro turf / donations of veg & fruit for animals in the Pitouchi room

**Thank you for reading!**

***Mr Harry Crawford***

**Want to share something in the newsletter? Send your news in using the email address below:**

***harry.crawford@collett.herts.sch.uk***

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February! There will be two showings, one at 11am and another at 3.30pm.

Please book by emailing othadmin@dacorum.gov.uk or phoning 01442 228091.

### **ONLINE THIS WEEK**

One dad went all out to [build a snow fort for his disabled daughter](#) in the US, winning the hearts of thousands on social media.

### **FACT OF THE WEEK**

10% of the UK is dyslexic, 4% severely so.

*British Dyslexia Association*

### **AWARDS**

#### **SILVER AWARDS**

**2 x Leopards**

#### **BRONZE AWARDS**

**3 x Post 16, 1 x Sequoia**

#### **READING**

**3 x Panthers, 1 x Dragon**

#### **SINGER OF THE WEEK**

**1 x Tigers, 1 x Spindle, 1 x Willow,  
1 x Lions, 2 x Panthers, 2 x Cedar**