

# Farewell Old Rectory Drive



A month of special events to  
mark the end of an era in our  
school's history

The first event involved an aerial photograph of parents, pupils, staff and governors, marking an important year

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When the helicopter landed, the children were enthralled to learn more...

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After class and staff/governor photos were taken,  
Mrs Massey and Mr Dummer took off!

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...and landed next to the new site, thanks to our new governor, Mrs. Carnell!

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# This Wonder Day became a stimulus for writing, for example:

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- Y1 wrote about Mrs Massey running out of fuel and battling with pollution in an ECO Story
- YR made their own passports
- Y6 did a Fact File



Sports Day was next, including races with a parachute, to keep up with the flight theme

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# We all had lunch together in the school grounds at our 'PICNIC IN THE PARK'

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It was great to have so many families  
join in!

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# The playtime used all our new equipment

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# Then it was time for the Magician!

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# Meanwhile, the band for the Square Dancing set up in the marquee

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Families and staff stayed until 4.30pm  
and continued the dancing...

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# The following night was the Ball!

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# Some grownups even joined in with the band!

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On Sunday, we rested and  
had an early night!



The week ahead was just as  
busy!

# On Monday 120 children from across Hatfield visited for a Tudor Revels Day

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# Our aim was for as many children as possible to learn from Howe Dell's historic past

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- ❑ 2 radio stations broadcast the event as a feature
- ❑ County and local press visited
- ❑ 6 schools were involved
- ❑ (All secondary schools gave ex-Howe Dell pupils special leave to attend Picnic In The Park)



Simultaneously, steel drumming workshops were bought in for all our children and many Onslow students to:

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- Explore Diversity through music
- Encourage cross Key Stage learning (KS2 with KS4)
- Say thank you to Onslow for letting us use their hall and gym for the last 2 years, as our own was too small for assemblies and PE.

We also had Eco School  
inspectors on site



**WE WERE AWARDED ECO  
SCHOOLS' GREEN FLAG!**

# Our Children's Council gave tours to ex- Howe Dell pupils and parents and shared memories

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# Our artist in residence joined the tour...

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...and was inspired by the discussion to create 2 paintings for the new school, by comments such as:

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- ❑ I could reach back 50 years and touch my childhood
- ❑ The school has the same feel... and smell!
- ❑ It was always a magical World
- ❑ I remember naming the boat, 'Kingfisher'



# And next?

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- ❑ Packing has begun
- ❑ Unwanted books have been sold or passed to charity shops
- ❑ Reports have been written
- ❑ The website has been redesigned
- ❑ Photos have been taken and an artist commissioned

We are ready to....



# ...land at The Runway, September 2007

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