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Welcome back to the Summer Term and I hope you had a lovely Easter.

It has already been a busy week with Hawks taking part in Bikeability, our Year 2 trip to Barleylands and the first Year 5 sleepover tonight in the school hall.

Please ensure that children attend school wearing the correct school uniform with a school tie and appropriate school shoes. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mrs Natasha Robson

Headteacher

Year 5 - Trip to Walton-On-The-Naze

On Thursday 3rd April, Year 5 enjoyed a fantastic day out in the sunshine to Walton-On-The-Naze for our school trip, which was linked to our geography topic about Coasts and Erosion. We spent the entire morning down on the beach, the children were fossil hunting, where some of them even found some rare shells and fossils and a couple of children were lucky enough to find a shark tooth fossil. During the afternoon, we explored the erosion that has happened at Walton beach over the years and what measures have been put into place to protect this coastal area in the future. Overall, we had a fantastic time and the children were excellent representatives for our school. Well done Year 5!

Year 4 Performance

As we wrapped up the spring term, our talented Year 4 pupils wowed audiences with their vibrant and entertaining performance of Cinderella and Rockerfella. The children worked incredibly hard to rehearse their lines, perfect their songs, and polish their dance moves - and their dedication certainly paid off. The production was full of energy, humour, and creativity, bringing a fun twist to the classic fairytale. It was wonderful to see the children grow in confidence and teamwork throughout the process. A huge well done to everyone involved - you should be extremely proud of this fantastic achievement! Thank you to everyone who made a donation at the performances, we raised £218.38 for Great Ormond Street Hospital.



Reminders

EYFS Trip to Boydells Farm: Please ensure permission and payment of £12.92 is received in school by Monday 12th May. This can be done online via Scopay or by returning the slip and payment to the school office.

Year 3 Ancient Egypt Day: Please ensure payment of £4.75 is received in school by Monday 12th May. This can be done online via Scopay or by returning payment to the school office.

Year 1 Trip to Layer Marney Tower: Please ensure permission and payment of £18.06 is received in school by Monday 12th May. This can be done online via Scopay or by returning the slip and payment to the school office.

Year 6 Trip to Duxford Imperial War Museum: Please ensure permission and payment of £13.75 is received in school by Monday 19th May. This can be done online via Scopay or by returning the slip and payment to the school office.

If there are any problems making payments please speak to the office. Thank you.

Congratulations!

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE
WHO ATTENDED OUR
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR.**

Together we have raised **£1388.75**
for our school to spend on **FREE BOOKS**

SCHOLASTIC

Recent Letters And Communications

- Year 6 SATs Meeting Presentation
- Year 1 - Message from Mrs Beazeley and Mrs Stoddart
- Update for Year 5 Sleepover - arrive in outdoor clothing
- Year 6 SATs Meeting
- Tennis Club - Summer Term
- Girls Basketball Club - Summer Term 1
- Online Safety Newsletter - April
- KS2 Gardening Club Summer Term 1
- Year 6 Trip to Duxford
- Year 5 & 6 - Lego Robotics Club
- Residential - March Instalment Reminder
- PSHE Letter for Year 6
- Slide presentation from the Parent Governor Meeting
- Letter from the Chair of Governors

Community Information

Information regarding the following has been included in the community section of our school website, please take a look if you would like further information. These are all third party events/information, not endorsed by the school, but they may be of interest to you.

- Bike and Run Events 2025
- ACL - Empower your child, ease their anxiety
- KidAround - Easter Issue
- All About Family - National Magazine - Spring
- Witham Community Association - Family Fun Day - 4th May
- Puddle Magazine - Issue 5 - April

Dinner Menu Rotation

Week commencing 28/04/25: Spring Term Menu 2

Week commencing 05/05/25: Spring Term Menu 3

Orders for this week are now closed.

Claiming Universal Credit?

Ofcom is making people aware of social tariffs which are available to people claiming some benefits.

Social tariffs are cheaper broadband and phone packages for people claiming Universal Credit, Pension Credit and some other benefits. Some providers call them 'essential' or 'basic' broadband.

They are delivered in the same way as normal packages, just at a lower price. [Click here](#) for further information on the Ofcom website.

Events Diary

If there are any changes to the dates listed, we will notify you as soon as possible.

25.04.25: Year 2 Trip to Barleylands

25.04.25: Year 5 Sleepover

09.05.25: VE Day Commemorations - Children to wear red, white and blue

12.05.25 to 15.05.25: Year 6 SATs

14.05.25: Year 1 Trip to Layer Marney Tower

16.05.25: Year 1 Forest School (more details to follow)

19.05.25 to 23.05.25: Walk to School Week (more details to follow)

19.05.25: Year 3 - History off the Page Day - Ancient Egyptians

20.05.25: EYFS Trip to Boydells

20.05.25: Kites Class Assembly at 2.30pm in KS2 Hall and Progress at 2.50pm in the classroom (more details to follow)

21.05.25: Osprey Class Assembly at 2.30pm in KS2 Hall (more details to follow)

21.05.25: Progress for Years 1 to 6 at 2.50pm in the classrooms (**except Kites class**)

22.05.25: Class Photographs

23.05.25: Year 6 History off the Page Day (more details to follow)

26.05.25 to 30.05.25: Half Term

02.06.25: Non pupil day

04.06.25: Year 6 Trip to Duxford Imperial War Museum

10.06.25: Year 6 Visit to Chelmsford Mosque

11.06.25: New Parent meeting

19.06.25: Falcons Forest School Day

20.06.25: Condors Forest School Day

20.06.25: EYFS Learning Journey at 2.50pm in classrooms

03.07.25: EYFS and KS1 Sports Day

04.07.25: KS2 Sports Day

04.07.25: Friends of Chipping Hill Colour Run

09.07.25: Careers Fair for Years 5 and 6 - 9am to 11am in KS2 Hall

15.07.25: Year 6 Production at 2pm and 6pm in KS2 Hall

17.07.25: Year 6 - Harlow Outdoors Trip

18.07.25: Year 6 Party

21.07.25: Year 6 Celebration Lunch

22.07.25: Last day of term

23.07.25: Start of the Summer Holidays

03.09.25: First day of Autumn Term

13.09.25: Chipfest



Summer Term Clubs

Please ensure you keep a note of the dates and finishing times of any clubs your child attends.

MONDAYS:

Choir (Years 1 - 6): From 28th April to 7th July, finishing at 4.15pm (£32)

KS2 Multisports (Years 3 - 6): From 28th April to 14th July, finishing at 4.30pm (£45)

KS1 Summer Sports (Years 1 & 2): From 28th April to 14th July, finishing at 4.15pm

MiniMe Mindfulness (Years 1 – 6): From 28th April to 7th July, finishing at 4.15pm (£60)

KS2 Gardening Club (Years 3 - 6): From 28th April to 16th June, finishing at 4.15pm

TUESDAYS:

KS2 Handball (Years 3 - 6): From 22nd April to 15th July, finishing at 4.15pm

KS1 Football (Years 1 & 2): From 22nd April to 15th July, finishing at 4.30pm (£60)

Tennis (Years 1 - 6): From 29th April to 8th July, finishing at 4.05pm (£50)

WEDNESDAYS:

Early Morning Fitness (Years 1 - 6): From 23rd April to 16th July (7.45am-8.35am)

KS2 Boys Football (Years 3 - 6): From 23rd April to 16th July, finishing at 4.30pm (£60)

KS1 Multi Sports (Years 1 & 2): From 23rd April to 16th July, finishing at 4.15pm

THURSDAYS:

Early Morning Fitness (Years 1 - 6): From 24th April to 17th July (7.45am-8.35am)

Hip Hop (Years 1 & 2): From 24th April to 22nd May, finishing at 4.15pm (£25)

KS2 Girls Football (Years 3 - 6): From 24th April to 17th July, finishing at 4.15pm

KS2 Bat & Ball Games (Years 3 - 6): From 24th April to 17th July, finishing at 4.30pm (£60)

Lego Robotics Club (Years 5 & 6): From 24th April to 17th July, finishing at 4.15pm (£35)

FRIDAYS:

KS2 Athletics (Years 3 - 6): From 25th April to 18th July, finishing at 4.15pm

Girls Basketball (Years 2 - 6): From 25th April to 23rd May, finishing at 4.15pm (£25)

Lego Robotics Club (Years 3 & 4): From 25th April to 18th July, finishing at 4.15pm (£42)



Supporting Your Neurodivergent Child - Free Resource Pack

Essex Family Forum, SEND the Right Message (STRM) Support Services and MyOTAS (My Own Time And Space) Charity are proud to have written and produced a pack which is full of useful information for families with a neurodivergent child.

Families from across Essex, Southend and Thurrock told us they are desperate for guidance and often do not know where to start to find the information they need. We presented this feedback to the Joint Commissioning Board in Essex, who commission services across Education, Health, Social Care and they were fully supportive of the project, recognising how useful this information would be.

This pack includes information about the diagnosis process, how to get support for your child at school, health and wellbeing and much more. We shared our own experiences, hints and tips as well as those of parents, carers and young people from across Essex, Southend and Thurrock. There are also signposts to useful books, blogs and online resources which are all tried and tested resources that the team have used and found helpful.

The pack is available to download or you can request a hard copy from;

[Neurodiversity](#) | [Essex Family Forum](#)

