

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

The final week of the year has been incredibly hectic. Year 4 visited Colchester Castle on Monday to conclude their topic work. Year 6 returned from their residential last Friday, where they had an amazing time challenging themselves on numerous adventurous activities. Early Years held their sports day on Tuesday and the children loved showing off their athletic skills.

On Tuesday our athletics team competed at the Colchester Garrison Competition, and came third out of sixteen schools. This is our best ever result, and a great reward for all their of hardwork in training. The following individual children won medals at the event:

Melisa Smith: Bronze - 60m sprint, Elinga Pilipaviciute: Silver – long jump, Roxanne French: – Silver 80m sprint, Alicia McManigan: Bronze 80m sprint, Becca Hawes: Silver – 600m, Thomas French: Silver – long jump and Bronze – 150m sprint, Cameron Woollard: Silver – vortex throw.

Our Year 6 Leavers Assemblies were held on Wednesday and Thursday. As always they were well supported by parents and carers. We were treated to some great acting, singing and wonderful humour ,which thoroughly entertained everyone. There were very few dry eyes in the hall at the end!

Congratulations to Jaden Rathmell who won the Summer Term attendance prize. Scarlett Ali won the prize draw for pupils who had 100% attendance for the entire academic year.

Sadly we are saying goodbye to Mrs King who is leaving us to take up a teaching post nearer to home. Mrs King has worked at White Hall for 8 years, and has been a fantastic teacher. I am sure you will join me in wishing her well for the future. Mrs Wadsworth is temporarily leaving us, taking up a secondment to a local school for the 2018/2019 academic year.

Well done to the Green Team for winning the Sports Day Competition. It was a very close result and all of the children performed to the best of their ability throughout the competition.

I would like to thank everyone who has returned their child's report slip, and for the lovely comments you have made. It means a lot to teachers when parents and carers recognise their hardwork and dedication.

I would like to thank Year 6 for being such a great cohort, and wish them all the best for the next phase of their education. I hope you all have a fantastic summer holiday and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Mr Bradley

Diary Dates

Friday 20th July Last day of term

**CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL ON TUESDAY
4TH SEPTEMBER**

School Dinner Menu

Week beginning 3rd September

Week 1

The Friends WHA Token Scheme at Co-op stores

We're really pleased to tell you that we are part of the Co-op Community Token Scheme.

The Co-op will be collecting tokens for our Playground project, from Monday 16th July at the following stores for 3 months;

Old Road, Clacton, Coopers Lane, Clacton, Holland Road, Holland on Sea

Every time a Co-op member shops in one of these stores they'll be given a token which they can put in our box. The more tokens we collect, the more money we will receive for our Playground project. If anyone would like to vote for you but aren't members – don't worry! It's really easy to join – you can sign up online at www.eastofengland.coop/membership or in any of the stores.

Kids go Free!

Make the most of the summer holidays with children travelling for free on Park and Ride buses to Chelmsford and Colchester.

Many parents will be starting to think about how to entertain their children during the long break. Taking days out can be expensive, particularly if you factor in travel on top. The good news is that getting into Chelmsford and Colchester should be a doddle now Essex County Council has launched its 'Kids Go Free in August' Park and Ride promotion. *Please see our school website for full details in the News section.*

Other events and activities

Further details can be found on our website for:

Clacton Leisure Centre Summer holiday activities

Clacton Carnival children's fancy dress competition on 17th August

Change4life's Train like a Jedi campaign—6 weeks of fun activities and many more

Frinton Fun Day—Thursday 26th July 10.00 am to 2.00 pm on the Greensward (arts and crafts, mini sports day, free fruit, maternity services, RNLI, Essex child and family wellbeing service, story and rhyme time and lots more

Family Learning Courses

Are you interested in joining our family learning courses in the autumn term. We need a minimum of 8 adults to run the course. Please look at our website, under Courses, for a list of possible courses and their descriptions. Please ring Mrs Phillips to name your course and add your details to a register. Thank you.

Little Stars and Sparkles Nursery

Also, a reminder that our outstanding Early years nursery, Little Stars and Sparkles has free places in September for 2-4 years olds, for 15 or 30 hours subject to eligibility. Additional sessions at family friendly prices are available at only £2.50 per session, from a child's third birthday. Come along and have a show around or try a 'stay and play' before you sign up. Our toddler group also continues to meet on a Monday morning, only £1.00 for the family, with refreshments.

School Dinner price increase

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PRICE OF A SCHOOL DINNER IS INCREASING FROM £1.80 TO **£2.00** PER DAY, FROM TUESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2018

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Dinners, please ask for a form at our school office.

Arrangements for purchasing school uniform

You can purchase school jumpers/cardigans from the school office from now up to, and including:

Monday 23rd July from 9.30 am to 3.30 pm

And

Monday 3rd September from 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm for Early Years and KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

And

Monday 3rd September from 2.30 pm to 4.00 pm for KS2 (Years 3-6)

Please note: The school office will ONLY be taking dinner money on the morning of Tuesday 4th September. WE WILL NOT BE SELLING SCHOOL UNIFORM ON THIS DAY.