

## Attendance, Attention and Achievement

### Weekly Newsletter

**Date: 25th February 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers

Our forest school children planted daffodils in the autumn term. This Spring term they have started to bloom in the various raised beds around the school. However, the strong winds of last week left them at risk of damage. Whilst some were battered and bruised, the daffodils were adamant that they would not be beaten.



### Mother Tongue Day

Today we celebrated Mother Tongue Day. The children and staff wore traditional clothing. The whole school was transformed into a sea of vibrant colours and beautiful prints. The children shared songs and poems in their mother tongue during a school assembly. In class the children took part in a variety of activities linked to Mother Tongue Day. We truly celebrated all the amazing languages we share!





## Year 5 and 6 Shakespeare Workshop

This week the Shakespeare workshop for years 5 and 6 was aimed around allowing the children to understand the complexities of the play Hamlet. Children were immersed into character emotions, thoughts and feelings at critical points of the play. Using a variety of dramatic techniques, children explored different acts and scenes throughout the play, understanding the elements of plot twists, tragedy, love and revenge.

The children explored their 5 senses to describe Elsinore Castle using a range of writing techniques and figurative language. They gained more confidence through role play, re-enacting and performing in front of each other. They explored working collaboratively while switching groups with the class to create different scenes, postures and facial expressions.

They had a great time and they cannot wait to start their second session.

## Hot Potato competition

On Wednesday 23rd February five boys and five girls attended Dersingham Primary school to take part in a Hot Potato competition. At the event there were thirteen schools to compete against, Essex did so well to reach the semi finals. The team secured 3rd place and were rewarded with medals. WELL DONE ESSEX!!!



## Year 6 Parent Meeting (via Zoom)

We would like to thank all those parents and carers who were able to attend the year 6 meeting held this week. It is of great importance that you have a clear understanding of the school's expectations, which enables us to have strong and successful partnerships between home and school. The powerpoint presentation shared in this meeting has been pinged to all year 6 parents.

## Reminders

<b>Thursday 3rd March</b>	World Book Day (Staff and pupil to dress up as their favourite character)
<b>Wednesday 2nd &amp; Friday 4th March</b>	Year 2 Workshop (Topic - Great Fire of London)
<b>Friday 18th March</b>	Comic Relief (Staff and pupils to dress up as superheroes and contribute £1)

## Walk to School



Classes with highest percentage walking:		Classes that have been the most active:	
1st	5M (96%)	1st	3H, 4P, 5H & 6B (100%)
2nd	4P (94%)	2nd	4A, 4H & 5P (99%)
3rd	3M & 4I (93%)	3rd	1K, 1J, 2A & 3M (98%)



## **Attendance Matters!**

### **Every Student, Every School, Every day**

Here is our attendance chart. Thank you to all the parents who have sent their children to school during this time. Sending your child to school plays a vital role in your child's development.

Class	%	Class	%	Class	%	Class	%
NNam	96.1	1A	97.3	3A	95.7	5M	95.4
NNpm	91.6	1J	97.7	3H	98.6	5P	96.8
NTam	85.5	1K	89.3	3M	97.9	5R	90.7
NTpm	91.3	1B	92.7	3J	91.7	5H	96.3
RM	95.7	2K	96.3	4A	95.7	6I	99.3
RD	90.0	2A	92.5	4I	94.2	6Q	94.5
RF	92.8	2N	93.1	4P	97.0	6H	98.2
RT	96.7	2M	91.2	4H	98.9	6B	97.9
Whole School		94.8%					

### School Clubs: Week beginning - 28th February 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Year 3&4: Athletics Year 5&6: Athletics  <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> Year 1&2: Gymnastics Year 3 & 4: Hockey Year 5&6: Girls Football	<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Year 1&2: Handball Year 3: Mini Mermaid Club  <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> Year 1&2: Multi Skills Year 3 & 4: Gymnastics Year 5&6: Handball Year 6: Debate Mate Year 5: Mayor's Maths Challenge Club	<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Year 3&4: Football Year 5&6: Cricket  <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> Year 1&2: Football Year 5&6: Gymnastics  <b><u>3:00- 3:30</u></b> Year 3&4 : Police Cadets <b><u>3:30 - 4:30</u></b> Year 5&6: Police Cadets	<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Year 1&2: Dodgeball Year 3&4: Handball  <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> Year 1&2: Athletics Year 3&4: Cricket Year 5&6: Dodgeball KS2: Guitar Club	<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Year 6: Early Riser's Maths Club Year 5&6: Table Tennis  <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> Year 3&4: Dodgeball Year 5&6: Football

*Mrs Cecilia Mojzes*  
Executive Head Teacher

*Mr Rick Probett*  
Chair of Governors

*Mrs Amber Ilyas*  
Associate Head Teacher

## 5 STEPS FOR COVID-19 WELLBEING

