

Attendance, Attention and Achievement

Weekly Newsletter

Date: 4th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Across the school, pupils have been demonstrating their progress during assessment week; they have shown a very responsible attitude towards their learning by attempting all of the activities to the best of their ability. Valuing our own and others' achievements lies at the heart of everything we do at Essex. This has been very evident in the exciting science investigation lessons we have observed and in pupils' achievements as we continue to strive for excellence in every lesson, every classroom, every day.

Children's Mental Health Awareness Week 7th - 13th Feb



Children's Mental Health week is run by the charity Place2Be, and focuses on the importance of promoting good mental health and wellbeing for children and young people. The theme of this year's Children's Mental Health Week is Growing Together.

Growing Together is about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow. Challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt and trying new things can help us to move beyond our comfort zone into a new realm of possibility and potential.

As parents and carers, you play an important role in your child's mental health. Here are some ideas of how you can get involved.

1. Talk about when your child was younger.
2. Notice when your child has developed and grown.
3. Encourage your child to try new things.
4. Listen to your child's hopes and dreams for the future.
5. Support your child to learn from tough situations.

Post pictures of some of the new things you've tried on Google Classroom.
We look forward to seeing the fun you have had!

It can be really hard when your child is not getting on with friends or having a problem at school, or is disappointed with how something has worked out. Acknowledge the difficult feelings, but help your child to see that these situations help us to grow and develop so that we are better able to cope with life's ups and downs.

Why not enjoy this lovely art activity from Place2Be with your child!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9XVOnukmI5Y>

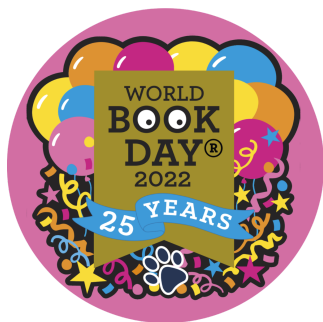
Get Ready for World Book Day!

We are very excited to inform you of this year's World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading. This year the theme for WBD is 'You Are a Reader'. This is a great opportunity for you to discuss, with your child, different characters from the range of books they choose to read.

**Looking for free
practical advice to help
you support your child?**

Parenting Smart, Place2Be's site for parents and carers, is full of expert advice and tips on supporting the emotional wellbeing and growth of primary-age children.

parentingsmart.org.uk



On this special day, we would like pupils to join in on the fun **by dressing up as their best-loved book character**. They may also choose to include a mask/hat/wig which represents them. There are endless possibilities of characters you can dress up as: Hungry Caterpillar, Matilda, Ms Trunchball, Oliver Twist, Fantastic Mr Fox, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Gruffalo, Goldilocks, Jack and the Beanstalk, The Twits, Cinderella, Elmer the Elephant, Three little Pigs, Harry Potter, Little Red Riding Hood, Mildred - The Worst Witch etc...

At Essex we would like to continue to promote and engage pupils' interest in reading and hope that you can support us in this too.

Athletics at the Langdon Partnership

On Wednesday afternoon, 8 able and talented athletes, from years 3 & 4, took part in our district athletics competition at Langdon Academy. Pupils first competed in the long jump, speed bounce, push throw and javelin throw then finished off in the 3 relay races.

Demari, Mustafa, Imadh, Haseeb, Zenia, Marake, Anaya and Niyah all valiantly represented Essex Primary School and gave 100% effort throughout. The commitment shown was outstanding and their willingness to give everything in the chase for a top 3 finish was a joy to watch.

Throughout the field events, Essex recorded a top 3 finish and this gave us a great platform going through into the relay races to try and finish in one of the top 3 podium spots. Unfortunately, at the end of the proceedings Essex finished in a respectable 4th place but the children remain fully focused and hungry to improve on this position in the near future.

WELL DONE to everyone that attended, you were fantastic throughout and represented Essex Primary School with magnificent professionalism.

Important Information

- Assessment week for Years 2 and 6 will take place week beginning 7th February
- Spring Half term Holiday: 14th February - 18th February 2022

Covid Update:

People who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

As of 27th January 2022, face coverings in schools are no longer a requirement. However, at Essex Primary, staff will continue to wear face coverings in communal areas.

Star of the week (KS1)

KS1 are extremely proud of the children's achievements.

1A Umar	1B Arissa	1J Sirajunnissa	1K Vedant
2K Jaiveer	2N Muhammad	2A Eniya	2M Yahya



Celebrating Success (KS2)

Well done to the children who have been awarded green leaves this week.



MD Lian 3A	Yogansh 3M	Shujana 3H	Juhaana 3J
Guhan 4A	Aymaan 4I	Sana 4P	Taranjot 4H
Salahuddeen 5M	Nicolas 5R	Keerthi 5H	Safa 5P
Ashviga 6H	Samiun 6B	Arian 6Q	Priyanka 6I

Walk to School



Classes with highest percentage walking:		Classes that have been the most active:	
1st	4I (97%)	1st	3H & 5H (100%)
2nd	4P (95%)	2nd	2A, 3M, 4A, 4P & 5P (99%)
3rd	3M & 4A (91%)	3rd	2K, 4I & 6B (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	90.5	1A	88.0	3A	97.2	5M	97.4
NNpm	90.3	1J	94.0	3H	95.0	5P	96.8
NTam	87.3	1K	93.3	3M	90.3	5R	98.9
NTpm	83.6	1B	98.3	3J	94.5	5H	94.7
RM	94.7	2K	98.0	4A	88.6	6I	97.2
RD	90.0	2A	93.8	4I	96.0	6Q	99.3
RF	95.3	2N	97.9	4P	98.5	6H	94.8
RT	88.7	2M	96.6	4H	100.0	6B	96.8
Whole School		94.6%					

School Clubs: Week beginning - 7th February 2022

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

