

## Attendance, Attention and Achievement

### Weekly Newsletter

**Date: 3rd November 2023**

Dear Parents/Carers,

In spite of the stormy weather, pupils have made their way through the wind and rain to enjoy their right to a high quality education here at Essex.

Pupil attendance is lower than 95% and remains a cause for concern. It is a child's right to be educated and therefore they must attend school regularly. We are lucky enough to have the right to a free education which sadly children in so many countries do not have access to, particularly those currently experiencing war. Families continue to demonstrate their support for the children of the Palestine- Israeli crisis and we have received many prayers for peace and an end to their suffering. We will display these in the MUGA next week when the weather permits so please do continue to create your messages.

### Music at Essex

Over the years, pupils at Essex have created original song compositions as part of their music projects. Whilst these have always been recorded by their



teachers with the support of the ICT team, the quality of the recordings have never really done justice to the spirit and excellence of the performances. So this year,

we have had the opportunity to professionally record the most recent of these from years 4, 5 and 6. It was wonderful to see that even after one whole year for some, pupils could clearly recall their lyrics and melodies

requiring very little rehearsal time or retakes. We cannot wait to hear the final mixed masterpieces which we will share in due course.



### Bonfire Night

In a special school assembly, pupils learnt about the origins of Bonfire Night and why it is important to remember and respect the British Values of Democracy and Rule of Law which the Gunpowder Plot threatened to destroy. Pupils were also taught about the dangers of fireworks and how they can stay safe on Bonfire Night. We encourage families to follow the firework code and stay safe this coming weekend.

### FOLLOW THE FIREWORK CODE

If you must have fireworks at home, please follow this safety advice.

DOs ✓	DON'Ts ✗
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Only buy fireworks from retailers registered with MFRS</li><li>• Keep fireworks in a closed box</li><li>• Follow the instructions on each firework</li><li>• Light them at arm's length, using a taper</li><li>• Stand well back</li><li>• Always supervise children around fireworks</li><li>• Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves</li><li>• Keep pets indoors</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks</li><li>• Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode</li><li>• Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them</li><li>• Never give sparklers to a child under five</li><li>• Don't let fireworks off after 11pm</li></ul>

## Well-being in Newham schools (WINS)

We have an Educational Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP) who will be in school on Tuesdays. She works in WINS, which aims to increase support and information around mental health and well-being in schools. WINS work together with health and education settings to try to ensure every pupil gets the support that is right for them. **Join us for coffee on Tuesday, 21st November 2023 at 9am. Come along and meet Maria!**

## Remembrance Day

Please be reminded that the school is supporting the Royal British Legion appeal by selling a range of items commemorating Remembrance Day.



## Star of the week (KS1)

KS1 are extremely proud of the children's achievements.

Husnain (Bumblebee)	Alessia (Butterfly)	Hasaan (Beetle)	Milka (Moth)
Josiah (Anaconda)	Sara (Crocodile)	Amara (Gecko)	Ariana (Tortoise)



## Green leaves (KS2)

KS2 are extremely proud of the children's achievements.

Abdullah (Vendace)	Bushra (Lamprey)	Krish (Halibut)	Raif (Bluefin)
Rafee (Kiwi)	Aayet (Grebe)	Jaiveer (Nightingale)	Asiya (Puffin)
Amirah (Baobab)	Raksitha (Chestnut)	Abdul (Maidenhair)	Faramin (Redwood)
Aadil & Aryan (Orchid)	Hafsa (Clary)	Kelsey & Isa (Helleborine)	Raheem (Wintergreen)

## Walk to School

Classes with the highest percentage walking:		Classes that have been the most active:	
1st	Maidenhair (100%)	1st	Kiwi, Lamprey, Maidenhair & Tiger (100%)
2nd	Clary & Chestnut (97%)	2nd	Crocodile, Tortoise, Vendace, Clary & Orchid (99%)
3rd	Redwood & Crocodile (96%)	3rd	Chestnut (97%)



## Important Dates

Date	Event / Information
10th November 2023 10:00 -11:00 am	Reception Open Day
13th November 2023	Odd Socks Day - Anti Bullying Week theme Make a Noise
21st November 2023 at 9.00am	Coffee Morning with Educational Mental Health Practitioner

## 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	%
Nursery Tiger(am)	89.1	Year 1 Bumblebee	86.9	Year 3 Lamprey	92.9	Year 5 Baobab	93.0
Nursery Rhino(am)	84.0	Year 1 Butterfly	96.6	Year 3 Halibut	92.4	Year 5 Redwood	95.4
Nursery Tiger(pm)	84.7	Year 1 Beetle	85.7	Year 3 Bluefin	97.9	Year 5 Maidenhair	97.0
Nursery Rhino(pm)	70.0	Year 1 Moth	97.9	Year 3 Vendace	93.6	Year 5 Chestnut	97.1
Reception Dolphin	93.4	Year 2 Anaconda	94.3	Year 4 Grebe	93.0	Year 6 Orchid	97.5
Reception Vaquita	98.9	Year 2 Crocodile	93.9	Year 4 Puffin	94.0	Year 6 Clary	96.9
Reception Turtle	95.7	Year 2 Gecko	90.0	Year 4 Nightingale	91.7	Year 6 Helleborine	95.3
Reception Penguin	89.3	Year 2 Tortoise	95.0	Year 4 Kiwi	96.2	Year 6 Wintergreen	98.0
Whole School			93.7%				

### School Clubs (Week beginning 6th November)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Year 1&2: Football Year 3&4: Table Tennis <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> KS1: Girls Football Year 3&4: Girls Football Year 5&6: Girls Football	<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Year 1&2: Netball Year 3&4: Yoga <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> KS1: Dance Year 3&4: Hockey Year 5&6: Hockey	<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Year 3&4: Netball Year 5&6: Handball <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> KS1: Gymnastics Year 3&4: Football Year 5&6: Netball <b><u>3:15 - 4:15</u></b> Year 3-6: Police Cadets	<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Years 1&2: Handball Year 5&6: Football <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> KS1: Multi-skills Year 3&4: Multi-skills Year 5&6 Multi-skills Year 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 : Reading Gladiators <b><u>3:30 - 4:20</u></b> Year 1: Reading Warriors	<b><u>Before School Club</u></b> <b><u>8:00-8:45</u></b> Year 5&6: Table Tennis KS1: Multi-skills <b><u>After School Club</u></b> <b><u>3:30-4:30</u></b> KS1: Hockey KS2: Gymnastics KS2: Dance

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