# **Everyone Valued** Everyone Challenged Everyone Achieving





### **Attendance, Attention and Achievement**

# **Weekly Newsletter**

**Date: 9th February 2024** 

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another fun week at Essex, where pupils took part in not one but two special themes! They marked Children's Mental Health Week and Safer Internet Day by carrying out a series of planned activities both at school and at home. We would like to thank all the parents and carers who participated in the homework tasks thus ensuring that mental health is a regular topic of discussion among families in our community.

#### Children's Mental Health Week 2024

This week, the pupils at Essex celebrated Children's Mental Health Week by attending special assemblies led by Mrs Mojzes and Mrs Ilyas. The theme this year is 'My Voice Matters'. My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. When pupils feel empowered, there is a positive impact on their wellbeing.

During the assembly, pupils were asked about which local issues mattered to them and how they could use their voices to make a

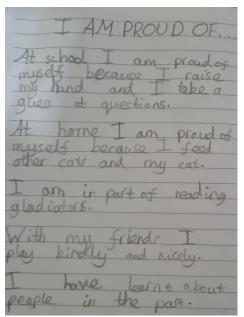
> making improvements to their playgrounds and addressing

difference. Pupils discussed issues such as addressing cases of fly tipping in their local area,

instances of loneliness among pupils at playtimes.

They came up with numerous ideas for addressing these issues such as speaking to family members and friends to raise awareness of the issue, writing to the Mayor of Newham to express their concerns, speaking to their school representative about securing new play equipment for the playground and introducing a friendship bench and playground buddies to support pupils who might be feeling lonely. Many parents became involved too, carrying out special tasks designed to get families talking about their mental health and what they could do to improve it. It was a very productive week and we hope that the learning and understanding developed about taking

care of our mental health and using our voices to affect change continues to have an impact in the months to come!



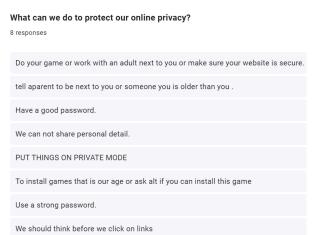


#### Safer Internet Day 2024

Safer Internet Day is an annual event celebrated worldwide to promote safer and more responsible use of online technology and mobile phones, especially among children and young people. This year at Essex Primary, we marked this significant day with various engaging activities tailored for different year groups, all under the overarching theme of "Inspiring Change? Making a Difference, Managing Influence, and Navigating Change Online."



Throughout the day, each year group participated in age-appropriate activities and discussions to address specific challenges they may encounter online. Here's a glimpse of some of the activities that took place.



The day finished with interactive assemblies emphasising the importance of internet safety and the power of positive digital citizenship. Pupils were encouraged to reflect on their online behaviours and consider how they could contribute to a safer and more respectful online community.



#### Year 3 visit to the Horniman Museum

This week, Year 3 went on an educational visit to the Horniman Museum. They took part in an interactive workshop to enhance their learning about prehistoric Britain. They learned about the different periods of the Stone Age: the Palaeolithic, the Mesolithic and the Neolithic periods. They showed great curiosity and enthusiasm when exploring and investigating different artefacts from the past. The pupils also showed great interest when taking a tour of the museum where they discovered the rich diversity of human cultures from around the globe, gaining insight into their customs, traditions and lifestyles. They embarked on a journey through time in the natural history gallery where they encountered fossils and animals from







the natural world. From this visit, the year 3 pupils have developed a deeper understanding of the world around them and how the past relates to the present and the future.

## **Important Dates**

Date	Event / Information
Half term break	12th February 2024 to 16th February 2024
Monday 19th February	School reopens
KS1 Music Project (Years 1 & 2 parents only)	1st March 2024 (2pm)
Academic Review Day	18th March 2024 Please look out for the letter via ping today to book your appointment. Booking will be on a first come first serve basis.



## Star of the week (KS1)

KS1 are extremely proud of the children's achievements.

Maaz (Bumblebee)	Izza (Beetle)	Araf (Butterfly)	Alayah (Moth)
Amaris (Anaconda	Eyva (Tortoise)	Uwais (Gecko)	Zayan (Crocodile)



# **Green leaves (KS2)**

KS2 are extremely proud of the children's achievements.

Pavitt (Lamprey)	Muhammad (Bluefin)	Swati (Halibut)	Tirth (Vendace)
Hamza (Puffin)	Hoorya (Kiwi)	Dylan (Grebe)	Fatima N (Nightingale)
Ashfaq (Baobab)  The whole class (Chestnut)		RV (Maidenhair)	Ayaan (Redwood)
Mustafa (Orchid)	Adeeb (Clary)	Daniyal (Helleborine)	Affan (Wintergreen)

## Walk to School

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LET'S WALKTO SCHOOL

Classes with t	he highest percentage of walking:	Classes tha	t have been the most active:	STREETS
1st	Anaconda, Clary (100%)	1st	Tortoise, Anaconda, Vendace, Lamprey, Kiwi, Nightingale, Maidenhair, Helleborine, Clary (1009	
2nd	Tortoise, Maidenhair (99%)	2nd	Rhino pm, Baobab (99%)	
3rd	Orchid (97%)	3rd	Gecko, Wintergreen (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.

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Class	%	Class	%	Class	%	Class	%
Nursery Tiger(am)	90.4	Year 1 Bumblebee	94.7	Year 3 Lamprey	96.2	Year 5 Baobab	98.3
Nursery Rhino(am)	94.0	Year 1 Butterfly	96.2	Year 3 Halibut	89.3	Year 5 Redwood	97.3
Nursery Tiger(pm)	83.3	Year 1 Beetle	92.8	Year 3 Bluefin	93.9	Year 5 Maidenhair	97.7
Nursery Rhino(pm)	86.7	Year 1 Moth	88.7	Year 3 Vendace	90.7	Year 5 Chestnut	93.8
Reception Dolphin	95.7	Year 2 Anaconda	98.7	Year 4 Grebe	95.2	Year 6 Orchid	99.2
Reception Vaquita	89.8	Year 2 Crocodile	90.3	Year 4 Puffin	98.7	Year 6 Clary	92.4
Reception Turtle	96.2	Year 2 Gecko	90.3	Year 4 Nightingale	94.7	Year 6 Helleborine	96.9
Reception Penguin	91.4	Year 2 Tortoise	98.7	Year 4 Kiwi	87.6	Year 6 Wintergreen	98.1
	Whole School 94.1%						

#### School Clubs (Week beginning 19th February 2024)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School Club	Before School	Before School Club	Before School Club	Before School Club
<u>8:00-8:45</u>	Club 8:00-8:45	<u>8:00-8:45</u>	<u>8:00-8:45</u>	<u>8:00-8:45</u>
Year 1&2: Football	Year 1&2:	Year 3&4: Boys	Years 3&4: Handball	Year 3&4: Basketball
Year 5&6: Boys	Dodgeball	Football	Year 5&6: Basketball	Year 5&6: Table
Football	Year 5&6:	Year 5&6: Dodgeball		Tennis
	Handball			
After School Club		After School Club	After School Club	After School Club
<u>3:30-4:30</u>	After School Club	<u>3:30-4:30</u>	<u>3:30-4:30</u>	<u>3:30-4:30</u>
KS1: Handball	<u>3:30-4:30</u>	KS1: Athletics	KS1: Dance	KS1: Girls Football
KS2:Dance	KS1: Gymnastics	Year 3&4: Handball	Year 3&4: Girls	KS2: Gymnastics
Year 5&6: Athletics	Year 3&4: Athletics	Year 5&6: Dodgeball	Football	Year 5&6: Tag Rugby
	KS2: Handball	Year 5&6 Girls Football	Year 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6:	
		Year 6: Debate Club	Reading Gladiators	
		KS2 WonderMaths		
		Club	<u>3:30 - 4:20</u>	
		KS2 Guitar Club	Year 1: Reading	
		<u>3:15 - 4:15</u>	Warriors	
		Year 3-6: Police Cadets		

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