

If you know someone who struggles to access the newsletter, please let us know so we can help them.

Well, I think this first half term of 2026 must hold the record for the most amount of rain ever. I'm surprised we haven't seen lines of animals walking two by two towards the port! Fingers crossed the weather improves when we come back after the break and that the nasty bugs and chickenpox that have swept through the school in the last few weeks disappear. Rest and recuperation are definitely needed for us all next week.

Kittle Photographers are in after half term to take the class photos of the children, so if you do not want your child in these pictures please let us know.

Parents Evenings are now live to book on MCAS including some appointments to speak to PLACES and SALSA. Please book asap to avoid disappointment. If you have any problems booking a slot, please get in touch and we will try to help

Have a wonderful half term break and we look forward to seeing you all back on Monday 23rd February.



Attendance for the Month of February

EYFS	79.5%	Year 4	89.6%
Year 1	88.8%	Year 5	91.9%
Year 2	92%	Year 6	92.2%
Year 3	94.4%	Whole School	89.8%

Well done year 3!

To report your child's absence, please contact the school by 8:30 am.

You can phone the main office on 01255 502444, use your 'My Child at School' app or the school website.

If you are struggling with attendance or punctuality, please contact Mrs. May-Erskine or Ms. Larue who will be able to support you.



Mayflower House Points

Beach Hut



15349

Pier



14761

Lighthouse



14071

Port



14868



Democracy

Monthly Assemblies

We have had some meaningful discussions in our assemblies this month. Ask your child to tell you about the stories behind our assembly pictures and how they link to our British Values.



Rule of Law



**NO
OUT
SIDERS**
'All different, All welcome'



Respect



Individual
Liberty



Tolerance

TENDRING SHOW – SATURDAY 11th JULY – FREE CHILD E-TICKET

**TENDRING
SHOW**
2026

Brought to you by Tendring
Hundred Farmers' Club

Saturday 11th July 2026

As a thank you for exhibiting in the Celebration of Education Tent this year, the Tendring Show are offering free child e-tickets for every child in our school. To claim your ticket(s), simply redeem this promotional code at the checkout of the online ticket page on their website <https://www.tendringshow.co.uk/about/tickets-admission/>

Early bird tickets until 31st March

PROMOTIONAL CODE: MAYFL

Maths Morning

Mayflower proudly hosted a fantastic maths morning where parents joined their children for fun, hands-on maths activities!

The event was all about bringing maths to life – showing that numbers aren't just for the classroom, but part of our everyday world. From problem-solving challenges to interactive games, families worked together, laughed together, and learned together.

Our goal was to inspire parents to encourage and support their children in using maths confidently in daily life – whether it's cooking, shopping, planning journeys, or solving real-world puzzles. And what a brilliant morning it was!

A huge thank you to all the families who joined us and to Miss Stephens who worked hard to ensure the event was such a success. Together, we're building positive maths mindsets for the future!



Parent voice is very important to us. It gives you the opportunity to share feedback, suggestions, and perspectives on your child's education here at Mayflower, helping us improve and give your children the best experience. So we would love you to consider taking a Parent View survey.

The link below will take you straight to the Parent View website. All you will need is your email address so you can create an account.

There are a couple of schools called 'Mayflower' so please search for 'The Mayflower Primary School' CO12 4AJ. Thank you in advance for taking the survey, we really appreciate your support.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>



Dear Parents and Carers of Harwich,

The Harwich Education Partnership is thrilled to present '**A Festival of Belonging**', taking place on **Thursday 24 September 2026**.

Following the incredible success of our Inclusion and Diversity Festival—which led to the unveiling of our Diversity Bench and earned us the prestigious "**Partnership of the Year Award**"—we are back to celebrate our community once again!

This day will bring Harwich and Dovercourt together for a vibrant celebration featuring exhibitions, creative performances, and hands-on activities for families, across a variety of local venues. To ensure everyone can participate, the Local Authority and Life Education Trust have once again approved this as an **off-site learning day** for Spring Meadow, Mayflower, All Saints, Harwich Community Primary and Chase Lane. The other schools (Harwich and Dovercourt High School, St Joseph's, and St Michael's) will share specific details regarding their involvement directly with their families.

Save the date! We invite you to attend alongside your child. For families unable to attend, remote learning materials will be provided for home completion.

How you can help:

We are currently seeking local businesses for **sponsorship** and looking for individuals or groups who wish to perform or participate in the festival. If you would like to support us or get involved, please contact your school office.

Thank you for your ongoing support in making Harwich a place where everyone belongs.

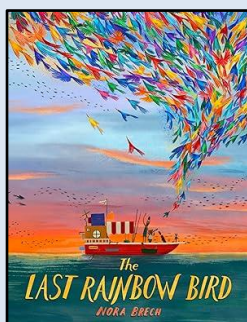
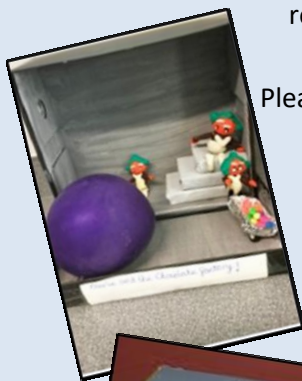
Kind regards,

The HEP Headteachers

World Book Day Thursday 5th March

This year, we will be continuing our 'dressing up' theme. Your child is invited to come to school dressed as a 'colour' of the rainbow. This will link to the theme of our whole school book 'The Last Rainbow Bird'. As part of the World Book Day celebrations, we will be having a special rainbow dessert at lunchtime, so make sure you have booked for lunch on that day and we are also launching a 'Book in a Box' competition. If your child would like to take part and have a chance at winning a prize, please encourage them to use a shoe box to represent the book or a scene from the book they have chosen.

Please bring in your 'Book in a box' creations on Thursday 5th March.



Diary Dates

23rd February:	First Day of Half Term
26th February:	Kittle Photography - Group Photographs
5th March:	World Book Day
6th March:	Spring Disco
10th March:	Parents Evening
11th March:	Parents Evening
17th March:	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea
18th March:	Mother's Day Breakfast
19th March:	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea
27th March:	Last Day of Term
13th April:	First Day of Summer Term







Term Dates

Term Dates 2025/26

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	School Holidays		Bank Holidays
	Non-Pupil Days		Y6 SAT week

Mayflower Term Dates 2026/27

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	Non-Pupil Day		Y6 SAT week		



Essex County Council
Children and Families

Starting Reception Roadshows



Is Your Little One Starting Reception in September 2026?

Come along to our Starting Reception Roadshow!

Get ready for a fun, friendly, and totally FREE event designed to help you to support your child feel excited and confident about starting reception.

Essex Early Years has teamed up with local schools plus education, health and care partners to bring you a lively, helpful session packed with top tips and advice.

Want to join in?

Ask your child's childminder, preschool, or nursery for details about your nearest event, or visit the Essex Talk, Listen and Cuddle website to find out more about dates and times across Essex.

Starting Reception Roadshow near you:

[Mayflower Primary School, Harwich, CO12 4AG](#)

Where:

Wednesday 25th March 2026

When: 6.00pm until 7.30pm



You can find out information about the event by scanning the QR code or visiting www.tlc-essex.info and searching 'Starting reception'



Follow us on social media to join our Starting Reception Campaign



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HSTV KIDS

Harwich Sing Tendring Voices

www.harwichsingtendringvoices.com

Clare – 07554 423613

Looking for enthusiastic singers who love music!

In May this year, HSTV will be performing at the wonderful, world-renowned concert hall at Snape Maltings.

We would like as many children and young people to have the opportunity to experience singing at such a prestigious venue and invite them to join HSTV KIDS.

The preparations and practices for this concert have just begun.

I would like to encourage all enthusiastic singers from school age upwards to get in touch now, try a class in the next week or two, and have a look at the Harwich Sing Tendring Voices website to view photos and footage of previous adventures we've had.

We are a very friendly and welcoming group; there is singing for all ages, with community at its heart.

Come and experience a day out at Snape Maltings, enjoying all they have to offer and then finish your trip with a next level HSTV concert.

We are so unbelievably excited to get the opportunity to perform at this world-renowned concert hall, be part of it or come and enjoy.



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AVAILABLE**



Scouts
Tendring

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SATURDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2026
10:00AM - 2:00PM



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To book email:
international@tendringdistrictscouts.co.uk
or scan the QR code



TENDRING DISTRICT SCOUT CENTRE

Valley Road, Clacton. CO15 6NA

All proceeds will support our young people on
International Scouting Expeditions in 2027

**JOIN US FOR
MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA
OPEN TO ALL**



**Saturday 14th March 2026
2pm until 4pm**

**Tendring District Scout Centre
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£10 per adult (first child under 18 free) £2.50 for each extra child.
Gluten Free/Vegetarian options available on request, please let us know
when booking. If you have any other allergies please let us know.



**Book Now
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QR Code**



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