

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

Mothers' Day Event

Many thanks to all you 'mothers' (aunts, grandparents etc) who celebrated Mothers' Day with us this year. The event was well attended and a perfect time to spend a quality half hour together eating cake!



Red Nose Day

Well done and thank you!! You raised **£227.50**



Diary Dates

31 st March:	Break up for Easter holiday
17 th April:	Return for the start of the summer term
26 th April:	EYFS Zoo trip
1 st May:	Bank Holiday
5 th May:	Potential PTA Coronation Disco (TBC)
8 th May:	Additional Bank Holiday for King's Coronation
9 th - 12 th May:	Year 6 SATs week
29 th May – 2 nd June:	Half term week

Important information - Term time holidays

A note from Essex Local Authority

Improving school attendance is a key priority for all schools across Essex. Where families choose to take a family holiday during term time, this can detrimentally impact a pupil's progress and can prevent them from fulfilling their true academic potential. Our school attendance policy, available via our school website, clearly sets out the process that parents should follow if they wish to apply for leave during term time. Please note that applications should only be made if you feel that there are exceptional circumstances.

We would ask all parents to note that, where families choose to go on holiday during term time and the absences are coded as unauthorised, Essex County Council may not issue penalty notices and may instead proceed to prosecution and place the case directly before the Magistrates for their consideration in court. If found guilty by the Magistrates, parents could face a fine of up to £2,500 and/or 3 months imprisonment.

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Open Sessions



Come and see what it is all about...



Forest School Open Sessions

All classes have sent out an invitation on Dojo inviting you to an open session of Forest school.

Come and see what it's all about!

In case you have forgotten, here are the dates and times again:

9th May am 3SB
10th May am 3AL
12th June am 4SS
12th June pm 1BC
13th June am RTG
14th June am 4TA
14th June pm 1HS

28th June am 6ES
10th July am 5CC
10th July pm 2DD
11th July am 5CH
12th July am 6PM
12th July pm 2SW

Multi-Schools Council

A selection of our school councillors joined 9 other schools for a local multi-schools council meeting on 10th March.



A variety of topics were discussed, such as PE and physical activity and their importance to health. They also considered what helps build your confidence, motivation and resilience in school in relation to preparing young people to leave school and find work.

In addition to that there was suggestion that they create a multi-schools council short film (or possibly even several films!) so watch this space!

Healthwatch Essex will be facilitating an online

workshop looking into Children and Young People's lived experience of **Asthma Care** within North East Essex. This workshop takes place virtually via zoom on **Thursday 13th April at 4:30pm.**

You will have the chance to have your say on how improvements can be made for better asthma care in this area and your voice is key for us to gather insight moving forward. This workshop will help us co-produce a survey which will identify key areas of focus. Follow this link to find out more:

[Help to shape asthma support for children and young people in Suffolk and north east Essex. | Healthwatch Essex](#)

Reading Volunteers

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to support our struggling readers!



Ms. Larue is busy meeting up with each volunteer and organising convenient times and pairing you up with classes. We had three volunteers in total, so are still looking for more! So, if you have an hour or so to spare, please get in touch!