

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

Well Spring Term may be the shortest term of the year but it has definitely been the busiest! It was wonderful to see all the children in their lovely costumes for World Book Day. At Mayflower we pride ourselves in being a 'reading' school and this really shone through in the discussions staff had with children during the fun filled day. Don't forget to bring your Book Token to our Roving Bookshop on Thursday the 21st March so you can put it towards the cost of a book of your choice.

Thank you to everyone who came to the Mother's Day Afternoon Tea events. It was lovely to see so many of you relaxing with a cup of tea and taking a well-earned rest before heading home at the end of the school day to start again.

Easter is fast approaching so make sure you have your Easter Egg raffle tickets and have brought in your competition entry. Don't forget we break up on Thursday the 28th of March. Happy Easter!!!



Attendance for the Month of February

EYFS	88%	Year 4	91.8%
Year 1	91.1%	Year 5	93.1%
Year 2	92.2%	Year 6	92.2%
Year 3	93.3%	Whole School	91.8%

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 Miss Carmen or Ms. Walker who will be able to support you.



Easter Egg Competition and Raffle

This year every child in the school will be given a polystyrene egg to take home and decorate, paint or colour. They can be as creative as they wish, let their imaginations soar, but only the egg will be judged. Remember though that this must be the children's work but if you as their parent/carer would like to have a go you can, just pop onto the MCAS School Shop and pay £1 before the 19th March and we will send your egg home with your child for you to decorate.

There will be a 1st and runner up prize for each year group in the children's competition, and a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize in the Parents/Carers category.

All entries must be in by **Monday 25th of March**. Winners will be announced on the 26th of March.

Our Big **Easter Egg Raffle** is taking place again this year with all the eggs being donated by our wonderful staff.

Tickets are available to purchase in your child's classroom, 10p a ticket or 50p a strip. The draw will take place on **Tuesday 26th of March**. Proceeds will be going towards our Sports provision so please support us if you can.





SPORTS REPORTS



St Helena Hospice Hero Run



Thank you to everyone that joined Mayflower at the St Helena Hospice Hero Run on Sunday the 3rd of March. We had 9 finishers in the top 20 runners and took the top 3 positions courtesy of Eliza, Darcey and Issac. We are still waiting for our sponsored total to be confirmed but we believe our total is close to £1000! Well done Everyone!

Cross Country



Despite the weather being against us, Mayflower had a fantastic Cross-Country event on the 12th March. We won 3 out of the 4 races which was an incredible achievement seeing as this was the first competition for some of our amazing young athletes. Our success made us 1st in the year 3/4 event and 2nd in the year 5/6 event. Congratulations to the whole team for a fantastic effort.

Stop Press!!! Because of our amazing results, we have been invited to take part in the county final in Southend! Go Team Mayflower!!!!



Colchester Royal Grammar School

Sci-Fest 2024

Saturday 16th March
10am - 4pm

6 Lexden Road, CO3 3ND
Free entry

Families welcome - fun interactive activities



Premium activities will incur a small charge. Refreshments available.

Activities include

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| Colchester Zoo - Rangers & Wildlife | Puzzle Rooms |
| Coding - Python & Scratch | Sci-High Forensics |
| Dinosaur Escape Room | Smoothie Bikes |
| Dissection Lab | Tech Hub |
| Essex Wildlife Trust | VR Mini Beasts |
| Essex University - Baby Lab & Maths | VR Oceans |
| Face Painting | VR Space |
| Mini Monsters | VR Wild Beasts |
| Planetarium | Wipeout |

Lunch & refreshments will be available to purchase from Ronnie's Kitchen, the CRGSA and the school's canteen.

Limited parking on site, entrance via Creffield Road or St Mary's Public Car Park, CO3 3AA, a short walk from the school.

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ARK XTRA CLUB!

***The Ark Centre ***

36 Main Road * Harwich * Essex * CO12 3LU
☎ 01255 502063

Ark Xtra! Is our exciting new holiday club for children with SEN needs ages **2-8 years!**

Our group is run by a qualified team of Early Years Practitioners, who all hold a paediatric first aid certificate!

We offer a safe and exciting group for any child who has an additional need, please note this does not need to be a formal diagnosis, any child who requires additional support at home or nursery/school is welcome.

For example, we offer places to children who have

- Language and communication needs.
 - Medical needs
 - Mobility needs
 - Behavioural needs
- Emotional wellbeing needs
 - Autism
 - ADHD
 - Down syndrome
- Food and eating disorders
 - And much more

Our day runs 9.30-2.30pm and is £25 per child.

Morning snack and drinks throughout the day will be provided.
Children will need to bring their own packed lunch.

Numbers are limited per session due to staff: child ratios.
Please note Registration forms will need to be completed prior to first session and care plans if necessary.
Some medical needs may require staff training before attending.

**Booking is now open for Saturday 30th of March &
Tuesday 2nd of April
and can be done via email to
nursery@thearkcentregroup.co.uk**



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FAMILY LEARNING

FREE! ONLINE COURSES



- Go To Sleep!
- Setting Boundaries
- Raising Girls
- First Aid Workshop
- Managing Big Emotions
- Getting Teens To Talk
- Mindfulness & relaxation
- Anxiety Coping Techniques for Teens



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Happy Easter!

Join us on the 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 8th 9th 10th and 12th of April for our Spring celebration

Tickets go live on Monday the 4th of March

If you have any questions, please get in touch by email, call or text



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HOLIDAY COURSES

Bikeability Level 1, Level 1 & 2 and 3 and Learn to ride courses

To book, please visit link
essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking

There is a £15 non-refundable booking fee



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FAMILY FUN DAY

ORWELL PLACE EVENT SPACE
105 HIGH ST, HARWICH, CO12 3AT

SATURDAY 10:00AM -
30 MARCH 4:00PM

FREE EVENT

What's on

Street Performers • Shop Front Competition
Face Painting • Fairground Rides • Live Entertainment
Easter Egg Hunt • More to be Confirmed

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Diary Dates

21st March:	The Roving Bookstore
28th March:	Last Day of Term
15th April:	Back to School
17th April:	Class Photographs
6th May:	May Bank Holiday
13th May:	SATs Week
27th May:	Half Term
30th June:	Transition Day
19th July:	Last Day of Term

