

Parents' Newsletter

Love, Respect, Honesty, Perseverance



Friday 22nd November

Dear Parents

Firstly, on behalf of the school community, a big thank you to all the parent volunteers who have supported our DT event; there has been a real buzz around school and it has been wonderful to hear the children talking about their designs and products to the visitors I have toured this week. We will let you know when you can purchase your child's creation ready to enhance your Christmas. Thanks too, as ever, to all the staff for really supporting this in being an immersive experience for the children, planning elements of cross curricular work to include maths, English and other areas.

This weekend, St. Andrew's Church are holding their annual Christmas Tree Festival, and yesterday, Mrs Holloway and Mr Lawman took our entry for the competition to the Church. The children in our After-School Club, along with all the supporting adults, have made some really beautiful decorations with recycled natural and manmade materials. Their efforts have made us very proud to display our tree, and we are asking that all amongst our community find time to take a look and of course vote for our tree!! Please see photos at the end of the newsletter.

Attached to this Newsletter are some ideas from THRIVE of things to do with your children to support their emotional awareness. In undertaking these activities alongside your children, you become their Co-regulator, Co-adventurer and Co-constructor of meaning. The vital brain connections you will be building together will serve them throughout life. Enjoy them and we hope you find this useful in supporting emotional development.

Kind regards

Bridgette Gough

SASHA - Christmas Fayre – Non-Uniform 29th November

SASHA, our PTA, have asked for the Friday of the Christmas Fayre to a non-uniform day, allowing the children to be able to enjoy the event in Christmas attire! In return they would encourage donations for the cake stall being run at the event.

On the day we are asking that parents collect their children from the playground and then enter through the school reception area to allow the hall doors to act as an exit and support ease of movement. In addition, we are using classroom spaces to make more space in the hall so please explore Y4/5/6 too.

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Collective Worship Themes and Inter Faith Week Visitors

Remembrance Day was recognised by our whole community with the school respecting the silent act, from EY up to Y6.



Last week we had a very busy week in terms of Collective Worship content. We had our Anti-Bullying theme of 'Choose Respect' and our National Inter-Faith week work planned for the children. This meant some interesting visitors in our classes, talking about their chosen faith and what it means to them and their communities. Please do ask the children about the visits, what they learned and what they gained from the sessions. We thought the children's questions were thoughtful and our visitors were impressed by their conduct, which is always lovely to hear. I know we have planned thank you cards for all of those who supported us in giving our pupils this opportunity.



This week we have explored the theme of Justice, as a staff, across the week, we have linked this to fairness. During worship the children have been amazing in their responses to questions and thinking deeply and reflecting on various stimuli. The Cheese Belongs to You picture book explored "rat law" and I was so impressed with how the children responded to this text and clearly saw the errors in this form of justice.

Headteacher's Cup

Tiger Cub Class:	W1- Charlie
	W2- Freddie
Reindeer Class:	W1- Kodi
	W2- Whole Class
Fennec Fox Class:	W1- Chloe
	W2- Evie
Panda Class:	W1- Maddie
	W2- Erin
Snow Leopard Class:	W1- Jacob
	W2- Harry
Turtle Class:	W1- Month
	W2- Benny
Seal Class:	W1- Andrew
	W2- Louie



Birthdays in November

Maisy	Hazel
Kodi	Rosie O
Elsie	Nithi
Bonnie S	
Landon	
Jack M	
Elliot C	
Bella F	
Elsie D	
Alice	
George P	



Going For Green

Matilda O-W

Sports Cup

Clara & Ayla

Retirement

Mrs Mandy Green will be retiring on the 4th December. We want to thank her for her contribution to the team and wish her a long and happy retirement; she has many amazing adventures ahead!!

Safeguarding - Online safety information for parents

The following link gives age specific advice (under 5, 6-10, 11-13 and 14+) on ways to keep children safer on line.

https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/abc-online-safety-checklist/?utm_campaign=313065_Partner%20Newsletter%20-%20October%202024&utm_medium=email&utm_source=DotDigital&dm_i=7MSZ,6PK9,UFBX2,T56V,1

Measles in Essex Information

We have been asked to circulate an information letter about the prevalence of measles in the Essex area amongst unvaccinated pre-school and school aged children. Please read the information so that you know what to look out for in terms of signs and symptoms if your child/ children fall into this category.

St. Andrew's Christmas Tree Festival – St. Andrews Church

Friday 22 and Saturday 23 10am-4pm and Sunday 24 November 12 noon – 4pm



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