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School Newsletter

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EYFS

This week in EYFS we have been playing with rhyming words and estimating. The children particularly enjoyed learning about ice, how it forms/melts and ice in the natural world. They investigated different ways of melting ice and which one worked the quickest.

Next week we will be learning about subtraction and it is also Internet Safety Day on Tuesday. We will be introducing the concept of 'staying safe' when using a computer and looking at the different ways we use the internet.

Next week it is Ash Class's turn to visit the woods: please remember to wrap up warm and wear your school clothes underneath. As always parents are warmly welcomed 😊

Don't forget on Monday we have a Stay and Play session from 8:45-9:30. We look forward to seeing you then!

Have a great weekend!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you've all had a successful and enjoyable week. Year 4 have participated in a Mayan Day, which saw some wonderful patterned outfits, especially headdresses! The children all looked amazing: thank you for your enthusiasm and encouragement.

Next week we're looking forward to seeing you for Parent Consultations on Wednesday or Thursday, where we can celebrate your child's achievements with you, and to Year 1's Toy Museum on Friday. We're also marking Safer Internet Day on 6th February with a range of activities for everyone. You'll be receiving an emailed letter from me later today relating particularly to the use of social networking sites: thank you for your kind assistance and consideration.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Clare Woodward

Ms Clare Woodward
Head Teacher

Reception & KS1 Attendance & Punctuality Monitor

Attendance for this Week: **96.93%**

Harry the Happy Hippo Lenny the Learned Lion Daisy the Determined Dragon	Ash YrR 98.64%	Oak YrR 95.58%	Elm Yr1 99.32%	Beech Yr1 96.55%	Birch Yr2 95.52%	Hazel Yr2 96.13%
Absences	3	10	2	10	13	12
Lateness			1	3	1	

Gold = 98 -100%, Green = 95 – 97.9%, Grey = 91 – 94.9%, Blue = 85 – 90.9%, Red = <84.9%



YEAR 2 TRIP REMINDER - All permission slips must be returned to school and payments made (via SIMs agora) by **THIS Monday 5th at 4pm**. In the event of insufficient contributions being received the trip may need to be cancelled. This decision will be taken at 4pm on Monday.

KS2 Attendance & Punctuality Monitor

Attendance for this Week: **96.87%**

	Maple Yr3 96.43%	Rowan Yr3 95.67%	Holly Yr4 94.67%	Willow Yr4 99.33%	Hawthorn Yr5 100%	Sycamore Yr5 98.67%	Chestnut Yr6 95.67%	Aspen Yr6 94.75%
Absences	10	13	6	2		4	13	16
Lateness	1		2	4	2	4	2	

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This week's Golden Dustpan

Award Goes To...



Willow Class

Reminder

There are NO Teacher led after school clubs next week.

RAD Sports will run their (Multi Skills, Rugby and Hockey) as usual.



To this week's Head Teacher Award Winners:

Nikole - Ash Class
Jacob - Oak Class
Macey - Elm Class
Connor - Beech Class
Harry - Birch Class
Thomas - Hazel Class
Scherleigh - Maple Class
Mia - Rowan Class
Hope - Holly Class
Raul - Willow Class
Tara - Hawthorn Class
Katie - Sycamore Class
Matthew - Aspen Class
Melissa - Chestnut Class

Our next CU Graduation will be held on Saturday 24 March 2018 at the University of Essex.



If your child holds a 'Children's University Passport to Learning' they will have been issued with a (yellow) letter today detailing our next Graduation Ceremony. Some of the detail has been copied below. For full details, please refer to the letter sent home with your child.

Extract

- Let us know **the total** number of hours of learning your child has in their Passport(s) from the very beginning of their Passport(s) up to and including any hours for **Sunday 11 February 2018**. Any hours earned after this should not be counted and will go towards their next Graduation.

Please, by Friday 16 February 2018:

- Email us at admin@essexchildrensuniversity.co.uk with:
 - Your child's name
 - The school they attend
 - Their year group
 - How many hours they have **in total** in their Passport to Learning
- Let us know which of these 3 Graduation options will apply to your child:
 - We would like to attend the CU Lectures **and** CU Graduation
 - We would like to attend the CU Graduation ceremony only
 - We are not able to attend (CU Awards will then be sent to the school they attend after 24 March)

This information must be returned (DIRECTLY TO Children's University) by Friday 16 February 2018

This Week's Presentation Awards go to...



Conor - Rowan Class
Dominik - Maple Class
Naimah - Aspen Class

Lost Coat -

A pupil has lost his new navy blue M&S coat this week. If your child has accidentally come home with the wrong coat please could you pop it back into school on Monday? It is a size 7/8 and will be named. Thank you.



DEAR PARENTS

Correspondence Sent Out This Week

Missed letters can be download from the school's website or requested from the school office.

- Lunch menu - Whole School
- Overdue payment reminders - Year 6 Residential (paper only)
- School Council Activity Letter (paper only)
- Children's University Graduation letter - Passport Holders (paper only)
- Social Media Usage - Whole school

SCI-FEST

Practise being a doctor with the medical mavericks
See Doctor Death and Medieval Pantomime
Meet Dr Susie Imber, winner of TV series 'Astronauts'

Sports science workshop
Creepy Crawlies Roadshow
Interactive Forensics Labs
Raspberry Pi Workshop

Immersive Theatre
Essex Wildlife Trust
Smoothie Bikes
Planetarium

SATURDAY 17TH MARCH
COLCHESTER ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL
FREE ENTRY
SOME ACTIVITIES INCUR A SMALL CHARGE

SCI-FEST PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Examples of biology, chemistry and physics aren't just in the classroom, they're all around us. Snap a picture of one of these and send it to:

adaisley@crgs.co.uk or Sci-fest comp
6 Lexden Road
Colchester
CO3 3ND

I am sure that many of you have heard of BBC Radio 2's 500 Words Competition

A fantastic opportunity for children to exhibit their writing talent, BBC Radio 2's 500 Words competition has returned for 2018. Billed as the world's biggest writing competition for children, 500 Words is available for entry from anyone aged 5 - 13 and boasts some great prizes, including the chance for winning stories to be read by celebrities live on Radio 2.

The deadline for submissions is 22nd February, and the final will take place in June of this year.

If you have any budding writers in your family, get them entered!

Entry into this competition is worth 2 Children's University Learning Credits (2 hours of CU Learning).

Challenges to keep Passport Holders busy and their learning hours topped up!

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Head to the Children University's Bulletin Board page where you will find their latest challenges, recipes and instructions for other activities. To receive their regular eNewsletter giving details of all the latest Essex CU news just send your e-mail address to admin@essexchildrensuniversity.co.uk

A Think is an unusual question to make you think! It is a simple-looking question about things that stops you in your tracks and helps you to look at the World in a whole new light.

There are no right or wrong answers - simply YOUR answers.

We have created a Think CU Challenge and added it to our website and you will find it on our bulletin board.

If you are doing nothing, are you still doing something?
If you paint over a window is it still a window?
If elephants ruled the World what changes would you see?

Dinosaurs at the Naze Visitor Centre

Old Hall Lane, Walton-on-the Naze, CO14 8LE

A whole session of dinosaur-themed activities for kids in Essex. There are dinosaur crafts, a footprint trail and you can even make a volcano. These are activities that you do yourself but with helpful rangers on hand to assist you if you get stuck. This is a drop-in event.

When is it? Friday, February 16, 11am – 2pm

Cost: £4 per person



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