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School Newsletter

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EYFS

This week in EYFS what an exciting week it has been, having all the children in full time. We have been making lots of new friends and trying to remember each other's names. We have learnt all about Twinkle Twinkle Little Star and looked at different night time animals some of us even had a go at making our own bats. Cooking was a highlight of the week; the children all loved making the biscuits. We hope you enjoyed tasting them! Lots of the children are feeling rather exhausted after a fun filled first week so lots of rest over the weekend ready to learn all about Incy Wincy Spider next week. We look forward to seeing you Monday 😊

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely to see many of you in school this week, either attending our 'Meet the Teacher' meetings or coming to poetry recitals. Thank you for making time to visit your child's class: there have been some wonderful poems shared.

On behalf of the whole staff team I would like to thank you for your words of encouragement during our visit from Ofsted this week. We greatly appreciated your support and would like to extend a very big 'thank you' to all those of you who took the time to complete the Parent View questionnaire. We will share the outcome of the inspection with you as soon as we are able to.

We wish you a sunny and enjoyable weekend,

Clare Woodward

Ms Clare Woodward
Head Teacher

Reception & KS1 Attendance & Punctuality Monitor

Attendance for this Week: **97.95%**

	Ash YrR 92.38%	Oak YrR 97.14%	Elm Yr1 97.86%	Beech Yr1 100%	Birch Yr2 100%	Hazel Yr2 98.71%
Absences	16	6				4
Lateness		1	6	7	1	

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

Mr Wright's (KS2) Friday Lunchtime Guitar Club - 12.30pm to 1pm



If your KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) child would like to reserve a place (beginners welcome) at our NEW lunchtime club, please pop into the school office to register their name. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. If your child is allocated a place they will be expected to attend each week. Two missed sessions will result in them losing their place and it being allocated to another child on the waiting list.

KS2 Attendance & Punctuality Monitor

Attendance for this Week: **97.72%**

	Maple Yr3 97.67%	Rowan Yr3 98.33%	Holly Yr4 97.54%	Willow Yr4 96.21%	Hawthorn Yr5 98.71%	Sycamore Yr5 98.67%	Chestnut Yr6 96%	Aspen Yr6 98.71%
Absences	7	5	7	11	4	4	12	4
Lateness			7	6	1	5		2

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love learning
care for everyone
aim high

Diary Date Reminders:-

Mon 25th Sept - 1.30pm

Yr6 swimming lessons

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Flu immunisation forms to be returned by Today!

Thur 28th Sept

Individual and Sibling Group Photographs

Mon 2nd Oct

Yr6 swimming lessons

Mon 9th Oct

Yr6 swimming lessons

Thur 12th Oct

Whole School Flu Immunisation Day

Mon 16th Oct

Yr6 swimming lessons

Wed 18th Oct – 3.30pm to 5.30pm

Parent Consultations

Thurs 19th Oct – 5.30pm to 8pm

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Fri 20th Oct

Wear it Pink – Non Uniform Day
(Breast Cancer Awareness - £1 donation)

Mon 23rd to Fri 27th October

Half Term

Mon 30th Oct

Non Pupil Day

Thur 9th Nov – 9.30am

EYFS Sept 18 Intake - Show-around

Friday 17th Nov

Children In Need

Wed 6th Dec – 2pm

EYFS Sept 18 Intake - Show-around

Fri 15th Dec

Whole School Christmas Lunch

Fri 15th Dec

Christmas Jumper Day

(Save the Children - £1 donation)

Tue 9th Jan – 9.30am

EYFS Sept 18 Intake - Show-around

IMPORTANT – Punctuality Expectations

Punctuality is vital to the start of the school day as the day's objectives are set and learning tasks explained. Lateness also causes disruption for the rest of the class who are ready to learn.

- ♦ **The school gates are opened at 8.40am & locked at 8.55am**
- ♦ **The register is taken at 9am promptly.**
- ♦ **Lateness forms part of our regular Attendance Reviews conducted in conjunction with attendance officers from Attendance Solutions.**
- ♦ **Parents have a legal obligation to ensure that their children arrive at school punctually each day.**

Failure to address and improve on punctuality issues raised will, in the first instance; result in a request to attend a School Attendance Meeting here at school. Continued failure to address poor punctuality may then result in a fine being sought via Essex Country Councils 'Missing Education & Child Employment Service'.

As you can see from this week's Attendance Monitors, poor punctuality is an issue that needs to, and will be addressed.



To this week's Head Teacher
Award Winners:

Laura - Elm

Ruby - Beech

Lily-Iris - Birch

Alif - Hazel

What's coming up in this year's Active Kids

Jasmin - Maple

Anamta - Rowan

Imogen - Holly

Isobelle - Willow

Mylo - Hawthorn

Mya - Sycamore

Shay - Aspen

Brandon & Madisen -

Chestnut

**Thursday 28th
September**

is

**School Photograph
Day!**



**Individual and sibling
group photographs
will be taken.**



**DEAR
PARENTS**

Correspondence Sent Out This Week

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

- Letter to Birch Class
- Let's Get Cooking – Letter to Ash and Oak Classes
- Ofsted Inspection – Letter & A Guide for Parent
- Spellings at Home – Whole School

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QBPS Friends and Family Association Event

Friday 29th September 2017



Each year we hold a cake sale in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. All of your donations will go to helping fight cancer. Friends and Family will be selling cakes outside the main gates next Friday, from 3.00pm.

We welcome all donations of cakes or biscuits, whether they are home made or shop bought. These can be dropped off at school on the Friday from 8.45am either via your child or in person and left on the trolley in the library area.

Thank you for helping us support a very worth while cause.

This week's Golden Dustpan

Award Goes To...



Hazel Class

This Week's Presentation Awards go to...

Tyler - Rowan
Amber - Willow



BEAT THE STREET

Beat the Street is a free, fun, walking and cycling initiative that aims to get families across the borough moving by turning Colchester into a giant game.

Dozens of beeping and flashing sensors called Beat Boxes have been placed across Colchester – including one outside our school – these can be tapped with Beat the Street cards and fobs to earn points and win prizes of up to £400 worth of sport and fitness equipment for your school.

Queen Boudica has already been set-up as a team and 400 fobs pre-registered to the school!

Parent Letters, maps and key fobs will all come home after Tuesdays launch Assembly!

Please do take part in this exciting Colchester wide game, you never know we might even win some resources for school too!

Website: <https://www.beatthestreet.me/colchester>

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