Friday Flyer

Headteacher Awards





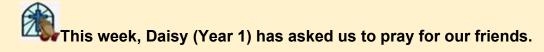
Buddy, Sophie, Ava & Marlow (Year 6) for being kind to Reception children and helping them learn the lunchtime routines.

Headteacher Weekly Message

The children have continued to settle well into school and they are demonstrating fantastic learning behaviours, which makes me very proud of our school community. This week we welcome Mrs Harrison, who is a TA working in Year 1 class. Yesterday, I met with the School Nurse, who has given some links to help if you need, see the notice section at the bottom of this flyer. Whilst we discussed what help there might be on offer, we discussed how parents can make affordable, healthy packed lunches. We have noticed that lots of children have crisps and a bar of chocolate everyday in their lunch boxes. These items should not a staple part of children's packed lunches. Hopefully, some of the suggestions to change this will be helpful. We are in the process of updating the consent forms and data collection forms, please can you complete the digital form with your current information. We require this by Monday 22nd September. This is so that we hold all the correct information when we transfer over to Arbor in October. If you cannot access a digital form, please let us know.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend. Miss North

Catholic Life and Mission



This week in assembly, the children learnt about Carlo Acutis, who made a saint last weekend. He is a modern day saint who the children enjoyed learning about as he liked his technology too! As part of our Jubilee Pledge, we will be collecting items for the South Woodham Foodbank – please see below the list of items that they require. Children can bring items in from 15th September – 26th September 2025. We appreciate your generosity with this.

Donations of Food for the SWF Foodbank

Anyone wishing to donate to the foodbank can drop dried and tinned food, toiletries and baby items into the New Life Church on Wednesday mornings when the food bank is open or leave them at any time:

- in the Foodbank box in Champions Manor Hall (school uniform can also be donated),
- in the Leisure Centre Reception Area
- or in the trolley for that purpose near the checkouts at Asda.

Suggested items to donate to the foodbank:

Canned and dried meals such as meat pies, Pot Noodle, stew, curry

Canned meat: ham, corned beef Canned fish: tuna, sardines, salmon

UHT milk

Canned potatoes

Canned vegetables

Tins of beans, spaghetti

Pasta sauces in packets and jars

Dried soup/noodles

Tinned soups

Packets of breakfast cereals

Canned/Dried desserts such as rice pudding, steamed sponges, custard

Jam

Sandwich spreads

Crackers and crispbreads

Tea/Coffee

Squash

Rice

Pasta Ketchup



Pre-School: Grace

for showing kindness towards her new friends.

Reception – Nyla-Rose

for enjoying sharing her games with her friends in Reception Class this week and has been busy joining in with all of our lessons!



Pot of Gold Awards

- **Year 1**: **Florence**, for settling so well in Year 1. She has high expectations for her learning and is an excellent role model for all the children. Well done, Florence!
- Year 2: Sofia, for listening well and completing her work diligently.
- Year 3: Bella, for her excellent contributions in lessons this week. Well done!
- **Year 4: Tia,** for completing her first full week at St. Joseph's and settling in so well. Well done!
- Year 5: Tommie, for settling in so well to our school and his new class.
- **Year 6: Buddy,** I have been impressed with Buddy's very good start to year six. He is embraced the challenges with a very positive attitude.

PTA News

Over the summer, our IT company have helped us to set up the new ipads with all the school systems and filters on. These will be distributed into classes next week.

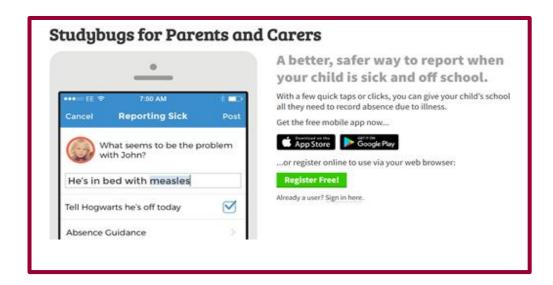
We are in the process of arranging a PTA meeting for all parents – a date will follow. We hope to have a series of PTA events running this term.

Attendance				
Reception Class	98%			
Year 1 Class	98%			
Year 2 Class	95%			
Year 3 Class	94%			
Year 4 Class	94%			
Year 5 Class	96%			
Year 6 Class	97%			
As a school, we aim for 96% attendance.				

Should I send my child to school, if they are ill?

During the winter months we are seeing an increase in children being off school because they are unwell. We support you, as parents to decide what is best for your child, but the guidance below is useful. Alongside this guidance, please support your child's health, by ensuring that they are getting all the vitamins and minerals they need to stay healthy. Where appropriate, consider whether your child could come back to school a day or so earlier when they have been off with a cold/cough.

file://ctkf.christthekingfederation.uk/users/Staff/Work/TNorth/Downloads/DS23_7975%20What %20to%20do%20-%20child%20illness%20A4.pdf



Diary Dates:				
15 th September (all day)	Year 5 learning First Aid with Lazurus Training			
17 th September (pm)	Year 6 Online Exploitation workshop			
19 th September (pm)	Year 3 Home Safety Workshop			
22 nd September 3:30pm	Year 6 Parents Meeting			
24 th September (pm)	Year Cyberbullying Workshop			
30 th September (am)	EYFS Individual Photographs			
2 nd October 9:15am – 9:30am	EYFS & KS1 Come and Celebrate – parents invited into school.			
7 th October 9:15am – 9:30am	KS2 Come and Celebrate – parents invited into school.			
27 th October – 31 st October	Half Term			

*We will be adding a Harvest Festival date to this diary and potentially a Mass for Year 6.

Your community and Volunteering Opportunities- Are you interested in being involved in a community group? Would you like to develop your own group and work in partnership with your local Family Hub? Would you like to volunteer and support families in the community? Please call contact your Community Connector Karen Saward <u>karen saward@barnardos.org.uk</u> for more information

Early Support – 0-19 years- We have staff available Monday – Friday who can provide advice and support for 0-19 years and their families in our local community. This can include behaviour support, child development, tolieting, siesep, getting out and about, connecting with people in your community transition to school or senior school, school readiness, healthy lifestyles and emotional wellbeing. We can also assist with 2-year funding applications for childcare.

Developmental Reviews- All children will be offered a 9-12 month and a 2 1/2 - 3-year development review. You will be contacted to book this appointment. If you have any concerns about your child's development, then please contact us.

althy start vouchers- If you're more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under 4, the
Healthy Start scheme can help you buy healthy foods like milk or fruit and get
free vitamins. You need to be claiming certain benefits to qualify. If you're





Bookstart aims to encourage a love of books, stories and rhymes in children from as young an age as possible – Within our sessions, we will be incorporating stories, songs and rhymes plus sharing tips and strategies for parents to continue to share books and songs with their children.



help families from all backgrounds, with at least one child under help families from all backgrounds, with at least one child under the age of 5, through their most challenging times. To find out more please speak to one of our colleagues as we have family groups that run within our family hub and delivery sites or visit















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Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service



Maldon District: 1st September - December 2025

Welcome to your local family hub, where you can access free, friendly and high-quality health services in your community, school, online or family home. We offer a variety of sessions to support your child's development and build strong parent-child relationship

Family Hubs ensure that children, young people and families (0-19 years or up to 25 years if SEND) can access integrated early support. We provide a one-stop shop of family support services for your mental and physical health plus your educational and social care needs. Our partner agencies include midwifes, GP's, CAMHS and local community groups.

The focus of our service is making sure that everyone in Essex has the best possible start in life through meeting the identified needs of children, young people and families.

Maldon Family Hub Maldon Library

Carmelite Way, Maldon CM9 5FW Monday to Friday 9 - 5pm

Chetwood Family Hub Delivery

Shirebourn Vale South Woodham Ferrers

CM3 5ZX Monday & Thursday 9.30-4.30pm Wednesday 9.30-12.30pm

Please note that buggies are not allowed into our sites and must be left outside





Dengie Family Hub Delivery

Tuesday and Friday 9.30-4.30pm

Ormiston Rivers Academy

Wednesday 12.30-4.30pm

Southminster Road

CM0 8QB



St Joseph's After School Club



We are excited to be launching After School Club for pupils including preschool children from Monday 20th January.



Children will be able to access a range of age appropriate activities and crafts. A healthy snack and drink will also be offered.

Session timings and cost

3:20 -4:15pm - £5.00

3:20-5:00pm - £7.00

3:20-5:30pm - £9.00

3:20-6:00pm - £12.00