

WHAT'S COMING UP

November

- 12th Parents Evening at 15:30 - 17:00
- 14th Parents Evening at 15:30 - 19:00
- 28th - Y5 St Osyth's Trip

December

- 12th Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner
- 16th EYFS School Nativity at 2:30
- 18th Carol Service, Whole School St Mary's Church at 14:00
- 20th Non Pupil Day
- 23rd - 6th Jan Half Term

January

- 7th Spring Term Starts

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- SCS Football Y1-Y3
Wed
- SCS football Y4-Y6 -
Thu
- Art Club - 3:15-4:15 -
Y2-Y6 Tue

Dear Parent and Carers,

This week we began showing prospective EYFS 2025 families around the school. These tours give future pupils and their families a chance to explore our facilities and get a feel for the school's atmosphere, helping make the transition to school life smoother. It took us a while to leave the EYFS area as the children wanted to talk to the parents about what they were learning and were very enthusiastic! One parent remarked on the fantastic focus and engagement of the children in their lessons and asked if this was always the case - our Heads of School, Fletcher and Poppy both replied with a resounding - Yes, and when asked what their favourite part of school was they both agreed that the learning was the best as it is made fun in every year group.

Year 3 visited a local care home this week, where they read their stories to the residents. It was a great experience that boosted their public speaking skills and gave them the chance to connect with others, helping to build a sense of empathy and community spirit.

Year 6 put on a fantastic assembly sharing their experiences from their recent trip to Kingswood. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to reflect on their personal growth, teamwork, and all the valuable lessons they learned while away from school.

Year 3 also took part in a workshop with Christian Youth Outreach, where they had the chance to explore new ideas and think critically about different perspectives. This workshop really aligned with our commitment to supporting the holistic development of our pupils in RE.

I am incredibly proud of all our pupils for their fantastic attitudes towards learning. The enthusiasm, curiosity, and determination they bring to the classroom every day truly inspire us. Whether they're tackling new challenges, working together as a team, or pushing themselves to improve, the positive energy they show in the classroom is something that visitors often comment on.

It's clear that our pupils are not only engaged but also eager to grow, explore, and achieve their best. Their resilience and willingness to embrace new ideas are a credit to them, and it's a pleasure to see them develop both academically and personally.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Cagney

Attendance

Pupils should attend school on every day the school is open, unless they are not well enough to.

Minor illness should not be a reason for staying at home. If your child attends school when feeling slightly under the weather, do let a member of staff know and we will monitor them and contact you if we think they need to go home. If you aren't sure whether to send your child to school, please contact us and we will be happy to talk this through with you.



STAR OF THE WEEK

Certificates were presented in our celebration assembly to:

George R (EYFS)
Skyлар (Yr 1)
Pearl (Yr 2)
Freddie (Yr 3)
Amelia (Yr 4)
Freddie (Yr 5)
Hugo (Yr 6)

AR READERS

Year 2 - Theodore, Tyr-Zyzven, Demi, Livia, Joshua, Kaiden, Pearl, Abigail, Lily M, Isabella, Emilia, Mya-Rose, Alex, Poppy

Year 3 - Aniamina, Ryan, Reyan, Anthony

Year 4 - Cleo, Ava

ATTENDANCE

89% - Year EYFS

89% - Year 1

96% - Year 2

89% - Year 3

92% - Year 4

97% - Year 5

93% - Year 6

Attendance target
95%

PLEASE ENSURE EARRINGS ARE TAKEN OUT FOR PE.

FASHION NECKLACES ARE NOT SCHOOL UNIFORM

CLASSROOM NEWS...

YEAR 3

This week has been action packed but by far the biggest highlight was sharing our Stone Age stories with the residents of the care home. We were so proud of how respectful and caring our children were to the elderly that lived there. They showed patience in abundance and such a mature attitude, well beyond their years. In other news, we have started our new topic in which we will be working towards answering our new enquiry question of "Would you rather live in Essex or Campania?" Finally, we all enjoyed getting our hands messy in our science lesson this week. We worked in teams to investigate what soil is made of, and although we still have many unanswered questions, we have worked out so far that soil has inorganic materials like sand, silt and clay and organic materials like leaves and roots in it. Ask us how we tested soils to identify them- you might be surprised



YEAR 4

It's been lovely welcoming the year 4's back this week. We started our topic on the Ancient Greeks and the children had such a thirst for knowledge it was great. We started looking at area in maths and we have begun to look at solid, liquid and gas in science. The children have started their campaign for pupils school council and have enjoyed their first lessons in gymnastics during PE.

YEAR 5

This week in Year 5 we started our new DT topic of Viking long boats! We did Gymnastic "making shapes with our bodies" (Isobel), "It was fun and funny!" (Elliot). We have been looking at factors and prime numbers in Maths "It's in the middle of hard and easy" (Isobel and Elliot). "I liked playing some new games at break time with the Year 6's" (Elliot). We are doing instruction writing for our next unit in English and we did our first music lesson on Hansel and Gretel "We learnt about Opera and how it has all elements in it" (Elliot) "...like dance and acting, which we did in PE too when we made our own dance routines" (Isobel). Mrs Aldous and I have seen such brilliant learning behaviours in class this week and a deep love for learning. Very proud!

YEAR 6

We have learned long division in maths, it is very hard! I think we have tried really hard to prepare and do our Kingswood Assembly to the whole school and our parents. It was scary at first but then it was fun. In English, we have persevered to learn how to use colons and semi colons. We enjoyed our No Outsiders story and we learned that everybody should have a say, it doesn't matter who you love as long as you love them and the importance of democracy. In PE, we all enjoyed working in groups and creating shapes with our body and in Geography, we learned about the 7 continents and the 5 oceans. Our Head Boy and Girl- Fletcher and Poppy- have had a very busy week representing all of the children in our school. We are very proud of them. **By Learning Ambassadors- Teddy and Kaya**