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Learn to Live, Live to Learn

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Maths writers ...



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PLEASE REMEMBER—READ WITH YOUR CHILDREN 5X A WEEK AND LOG IT ON Boom Reader (Formerly GoRead).

Older Children can do this for Themselves.

Boom Reader logs reading recorded from Saturday morning to Saturday morning.

Six Core Strengths.

No 2—Self-Regulation:

Knowing what causes you stress enabling you to think before you act

Developing and maintaining the ability to notice and control primary urges such as hunger and sleep as well as feelings of frustration, anger and fear is a lifelong process. It's very early roots begin with co-regulation provided by parents or significant caregivers in the form of 'soothing'. Its healthy growth depends on a child's experience and the maturation of the brain.

Why it is important: when a child doesn't have the capacity to self-regulate, they will have problems sustaining friendships, learning and controlling their behaviour. Pausing a moment between an impulse and an action is a life tool. But it is a strength that must be learned- we are not born with it.

Next Week—No 3.

Report for Parents from Governing Body Meeting 7/12/22

The governors met on Wednesday 7th December. Firstly, Mrs Poole reported to governors on the school's budget and the challenges that the school faces in the upcoming months and potentially years, due to reduced funding and the increasing fuel prices. Mrs Poole and Mrs Worrell's diligence regarding the school budget are much appreciated and the governing body know that everything that can be done, will be done to ensure that the children's needs are always met, with quality first teaching continuing to be at the forefront of all we do, as a school.

The governing body also spent time discussing and reviewing the school's provision for our Disadvantaged and Pupil Premium children. We discussed whose responsibility it is to champion our disadvantaged children: everyone's. We had discussions around poverty, pastoral care for families and children, as well as some of the many things that the school do to support the families; many of which, are not reported on but are essential in order to ensure that all children and all families have a voice.

The governors also discussed the success of the Christmas Fayre and wanted to offer a huge thanks to the PTA for their hard work in raising £3300 for the school. Many thanks also, to our new Chair, Steph Livett and Vice Chair, Emma Chaplin.

Clare Skinner (Staff Governor)

Class Star—Miss Cook, will not be having Parents Evening next week as Miss Cook is in London in Hospital for a minor procedure.

Class Star (Miss Cook) Parents Evening will be on Tuesday 10th January from 3.15p.m.—4.45p.m.

Apologies for the inconvenience.

The Big Question for the Autumn Term Assessment Period—Where are my Roots?

Our Jigsaw Theme for this Half Term—Celebrating Differences.

Term Dates

Tuesday 20th December—Last day of Autumn term

Thursday 5th January—First day of Spring term

Diary Dates

Tuesday 13th December

School Christmas Lunch for children in EYFS, Year 1 & Year 2.

Wednesday 14th December

10.00a.m.—EYFS Christmas Nativity—'A Bundle of Joy.' @ AF
1.45p.m.—Year 2 Christmas Production—'Our Happy Christmas.' @ T
AP1 Reports to Parents & Open Evening 4.30p.m.—6.30p.m. AF & T

Thursday 15th December

10.00a.m.—Year 2 Christmas Production—'Our Happy Christmas.' @ T
1.45p.m.—EYFS Christmas Nativity—'A Bundle of Joy.' @ AF
School Christmas Lunch for Children in Year 3, 4, 5, 6.

Friday 16th December

10.00a.m.—EYFS Christmas Nativity—'A Bundle of Joy.' @ AF
1.45p.m.—Year 2 Christmas Production—'Our Happy Christmas.' @ T
Non Uniform Day for Science Challenge Entries.

Monday 19th December

EYFS Polar Express Day

Year 1 Pyjama Day

2.30p.m.—Year 1 Christmas Songs

PLEASE LOOK AT THE CALENDAR ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR DIARY DATES FOR EYFS/YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS.

Our Assembly Theme: The Christmas Story

Please Remember—Winter Reading Challenge

The Winter Reading Challenge is back!

Running from Saturday 26 November 2022 to Saturday 28 January 2023, the challenge will follow the journey of Lyra, the plucky penguin as she learns how others celebrate the winter months. Made up of six tasks, there are prizes to all who complete the challenge, as well as a special prize to those that finish early! For more information, visit the Essex Libraries website.

<https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/winter-reading-challenge-2022/>

Or better still, pop into the local library.



Saturday 26 November to
Saturday 28 January

Parents Open Evening

Please don't forget that next Wednesday 14th December is our Parents Open Evening from 4.30p.m.—6.30p.m. at both AF and T.

The evening is very much led firstly by your children who will have some key things to show you in both their books and their classrooms as they share with you their learning at school and what they think they need to practise to get better at.

Class Teachers and Support Staff will also be on hand to answer any questions—but really and firstly, it is about your children leading the way.

We'll also have lost property available to view in the main halls. In addition, Mrs. Burke and Mrs. Blackery and our Catering Team, will have cooked up a small treat—so you can savour and sample a little something of what we serve to children as some of their meal options.

See you Wednesday.

Christmas Crafts

It wouldn't be Christmas without our Christmas Crafts and this year is no exception.

Your children have been beavering away and letting their Christmas creative juices flow to design and develop some Christmas Crafts of extraordinary Christmasness.

Our class Christmas stalls will be set up in and around the classrooms as part of Parents Evening next week.

Please pop a little bit of change in your pockets when you come to Parents Evening so you can, if you want, purchase your child's Christmas Craft/s. The maximum cost of the items in a class is £1.50.

As before—all profits will go to the PTA and classes are also going head to head in an enterprise competition to see who can make the most profit when their expenditure has been taken into account.



Danbury (Yr. 4) & King-swood (Yr. 5).

Please remember that the 2nd payments for both Danbury and King-swood are now a little overdue. If you haven't paid them yet—it would be much appreciated if you could. Many thanks.

Class Star Christmas Crafts will be on sale on Friday 16th December in the classroom straight after school.

Article

Article 2 (non-discrimination) The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.

Dress Christmassy for Christmas Lunch

If your children want—they can on their Christmas Lunch day—dress as Christmassy as they like, rather than wear school uniform, (jumpers, tinsel, Christmas dresses etc).

Children don't have to and can if they like come in school uniform. Please note though that this is a Christmassy Dress Up option NOT a general non uniform day.

Awards

STAR—Harper (MM), CHARIOT—Grace (CC), JUMBO—Ella (MM).

EAGLES—Adam (MM), ROSES—Archie (RREX), CIRCUS—Macie (MM).

MERCURY—Morris (MM), CLAUDIUS—Paul (RREX), ROMANS—Daisy (MM).

DUTCH—Alina (MM), Lola & Jasmine (CC), ICENI—Ethel (RREX), PAXMAN—Lucianna (MM).

CASTLE—Erin (MM), CAVALIER—Alex (CC), GARRISON—Aaryan (MM).

OYSTERS—Igor (MLM), MAGNETS—Chris (MM), RAEDWALD—Tia (MM).

TRINOVANTES—Hosanna (MM), CYMBEL-INE—Talisa (RREX), LATHES—Myla (RROX).

ATTENDANCE—Jumbo & Roses

LIBRARY—Olivia (MM).

TECHNOLOGY—Phoebe & Rosie—(CC).

Walk-In COVID Vaccination Clinic

no bookings, just turn up

If you have queries please go to www.sneevaccine.org.uk or call the NHS patient helpline 0344 257 3961

Alternatively the vaccinator will be happy to answer your questions on the day



C360 Hub
4-6 Long Wyre Street
Colchester, CO1 1LH

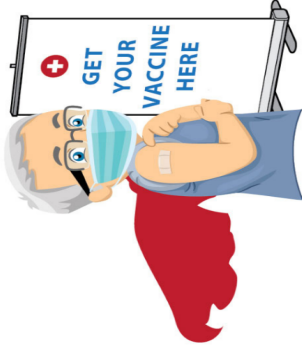
Wednesday 14th December
16.00 - 20.00

Family vaccination clinic
1st, 2nd & booster doses available

Please check vaccination eligibility by visiting www.sneevaccine.org.uk



Scan QR code to get current walk-in clinics across Suffolk & North East Essex along with the most recent information on COVID (available in other languages and easy read)



Date and time for your diary
Wednesday 14th December
16.00 - 20.00

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COVID VACCINATION CLINIC & WELLBEING FAMILY EVENT

We invite you to come to a warm space for a social and chat



Stay safe this winter and get your COVID vaccinations

and whilst you're here why not grab a drink and mince pie and talk with specialists who can assist with:

- Ways in which you can stay safe, warm and well during winter
- Aspects of your and your family's general health and wellbeing
- Volunteering opportunities

FREE NHS health checks for ages 40-74 years (time approx. 20mins)

Check that you are not at risk of: a stroke / kidney disease / heart disease / type 2 diabetes / dementia.

Worried about your mental health? feeling isolated or lonely? come and speak to the Social Prescribing team who will be on hand to offer guidance and support.

Want to share your experiences of the NHS and social care in Essex? Healthwatch Essex are here to listen to your views and help them shape local care.

We look forward to seeing you!

Need a lift to get your vaccine?

Call Community360 Transport 01206 216600 to book with the office

Scarlet Fever.

Hopefully all parents will have seen the e-mail that the school sent out yesterday with regards to Scarlet Fever.

The school received a further advice letter late yesterday. This will be sent out to parents as an attachment with the electronic copy of the newsletter we send you.

The letter is from the UK Health Security Agency and reinforces the information that the school sent out yesterday.

Please have a read through.

Christmas Shoeboxes.

Thank you to everyone who was able to send in a shoebox in support of Emmaus 'Operation Christmas Appeal'. The first collection was earlier this week with Miss Mitchell delivering the extra's next week (so it's still not too late).



Miss Mitchell has said—Thank you so much to everyone who donated to our shoebox appeal on behalf of Emmaus Colchester and Colchester Foodbank. We were able to donate shoeboxes filled with wonderful gifts for families across Colchester. Christmas is a time when family and community is of great importance and your generosity will remind the recipients that they are cared for and kept in mind over the holiday period. Thank you.



Science Challenge Reminder

Just a reminder from Miss Cook, that there's now one week left to complete the Science Challenges for that Non Uniform Day reward.