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St John's Green **Primary School** 

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### Colchester Heritage Open Days

This weekend is the start of Colchester Heritage week. Dozens of properties will be open to the public over two weekends spanning of the 13th to 22nd of September, giving you the opportunity to explore the town's heritage for free, including Colchester Castle.

Many of the properties are not normally open to the public, and several are hosting special events, tours and talks that will give you a special insight into the town's unique history.

There is a web link available via the schools on-line calendar and a pdf download on the welcome page of the website.

### Governor Report (following meeting of FGB on Monday 9/9/19)

Tonight the Full Governing Body meeting started with a very positive meeting with the school teaching staff to discuss the Key Facts document and the school development priorities. It was agreed and appreciated by all governors for the fantastic work and commitment by all teachers and other school staff in the past year.

It was agreed by all governors present to elect Nicola Roberts as Chair of Governors and Geoff Beales as Vice Chair of Governors.

Governors approved Mon 4th Nov 2019 and 20/21/22July 2020 as non pupil days.

Governors were keen to hear that there are positive meetings in place to try to access the government backed apprenticeship levy to work towards more support staff in the school.

It was discussed that due to national school cuts and stretches on finances that there is a less than the ideal number of support staff within the school. Once again, the work the teachers and current LSA staff is very much noticed and appreciated.

The school will investigate opportunities for providing hot meals to families/children over holiday periods.

The PTA were discussed at the meeting and the governors all have a huge appreciation for the work the PTA are doing and continue to do for the school. The benefit for the children with subsidised school trips has been very much noticed and is a real benefit to the children's school experience.

Lee Brooker (Parent Governor)

### <u>Awards</u>

Year 6 (Trinovantes) - Svede Sevil (MM) Year 6 (Cymbeline) - Jasmin Martin (MM) Year 5 (Oysters) — Madison Middleton (RREX)

Year 5 (Magnets) - Verity Rowles (MM) Year 5 (Raedwald) - Olivia Richer (MM)

Year 4 (Castle) - Ava Buxton (MM)

Year 4 (Cavalier) - Scarlett He & Morning Wan (CC)

Year 4 (Garrison) - Emily Warren (MM) Year 3 (Dutch) - Finlay Forsyth-Baker (MM)

Year 3 (Iceni) - Niamh Long (CC)

Year 3 (Paxman) - Alissa Dixon (MM)

Year 2 (Mercury) - Amber Gencas (MM)

Year 2 (Claudius) - Bentley Mason (MM)

Year 2 (Romans) - Nahide Sevil (MM)

Year 1 (Eagles) - Oliver Tilbury (MM) Year 1 (Circus) - Millie Self (MM)

Year 1 (Roses) - Sophie Elizabeth Belsey (MM)

Foundation (Chariot) - Whole Class (RREX)

Foundation (Star) - Whole Class (RREX) Foundation (Jumbo) - Whole Class (RRFX)

Attendance — Eagles/Oysters/Dutch



### Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Brumpton-now Mrs Rayner who got married over the summer. Obviously we wish both Stuart and her many years of happiness.

### Secondary School Admission (Year 6 Parents)

The secondary schools admission round is now open and closes on 31st October 2019. Parents should make admissions via

www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

Letters will not be sent to parents and all the information that parents need is on the link above.

### Worms

We have had a couple of cases of threadworms in the last week. These are exceptionally common and do spread easily.

Please go to: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworm s/if you think your child may have worms.

At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.

Jane D. Hull

"Practice isn't the thing you do once you're good. It's the thing you do that makes you good." Malcolm Gladwell

### Assembly Theme for Next Week:

Trv to make our school community a better place.

The Right we will be Focussing on this Half Term is Article 2:

### All Children have these Rights.

All children have these rights, no matter who they are, where they live, what their parents do, what language they speak, what their relispeak, what their reli-gion is, whether they are a boy or girl, what their culture is, wheth-er they have a disabil-ity,, whether they are rich or poor. No child should be treated un-

### <u>Aldi</u>

Please don't forget to collect your Aldi GB stickers and hand them into the school.

300 stickers and the school will receive an exclusive sports kit' and the chance to win £20,000.

Our PTA our coordinating this for the school.

### St Helena Roadshow

St Helena will be running their annual roadshow next Friday 20th September @ 2.00p.m. @ AF. Children in Year 5/6 will all be going and parents are also very welcome to attend if they want to hear just a little bit more about St Helena and a day in it's life.

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#### Diary Dates

Colchester Heritage

Governor Report

Congratulations

Clubs

St Heleno

Tuesday 17th September—Year 6 Swimming Lessons start @ Leisure World.

Thursday 19th September—Whole School Internet Safety Day from the, '2 John's'

6.30p.m. @ AF—Parent Event—Keeping your Child Safe...& children's film evening.

Thursday 19th September—'What's Actually Going On-Line' a bespoke session for parents. This evening will include a video evening for all children of school age so parents can attend.

Sunday 22nd—Friday 27th September—Year 6 at Kingswood.

Monday 30th September—Friday 4th October—PE

Tuesday 1st October. Individual Child Photograph's. Happy Days Photography' for children at AF.

Tuesday 1st October. 3.15p.m.—5.00p.m.— Sibling/Family group photographs @ AF. You just need to bring your family!

Thursday 3rd October. Individual Child Photograph's. Happy Days Photography' for children at

Thursday 3rd October. 3.30p.m.—5.00p.m.— Sibling/Family group photographs @ Town Site. You just need to bring your family!

Friday 4th October. Non Uniform Day for Team Temple—Purple.

Thursday 10th October- PTA AGM. 7.00p.m. @ AF-All Welcome.

Monday 14th October—Friday 18th October. Science Week—Growing. Monday 14th October. EYFS 'Tiger who came to Tea' Tea Party 2.30p.m. AF.

Monday 21st October—Friday 25th October. RE Week—Hinduism.

Monday 21st October. EYFS Room on the Broom' Fancy Dress up Day.

Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November. Half Term

Thursday 19th December—Last Day of Autumn Term.

Monday 6th January-First Day of Spring Term.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THERE ARE OTHER KEY DATES ON THE SCHOOL CALENDAR ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE.

### Keeping your Child Safe Today and Tomorrow -Everything On - Line

Every parent should have received a letter this week inviting you to a special evening this coming Thursday with the, '2 John's'.

Their insightful talk to parents will arm you in ways to help you, help your children stay safe on-line.

During this session the '2 John's' will talk with parents about the different types of games that children are playing and the apps that they are using and the ways in which children can be exposed to on line dangers – such as sexual exploitation

School staff will be running year group film evenings for children of school age only during the parent talk, so will be well looked after and entertained whilst you are in the hall.

I'm very sorry but pre-school children must not attend as we cannot accommodate them.

Please make every effort to come along.

And Finally,

A huge well done to our EYFS children who have now both succeeded and survived their first full week of school a huge achievement—they should be really proud of themselves. It hasn't all been plain sailing and we have had to rescue a few dinosaurs out of the toilet (they were swimming), tables being chewed (presumably the children were peckish) and clothes being discarded on a whim amongst other things. A special mention to the EYFS staff—they've been brilliant.

## AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS – AUTUMN TERM 2019

Parents do need to confirm their interest in these clubs. Please enquire at the school office at Town Site and Abbey Field Site.

There are restricted numbers on all clubs. Places will be on a strictly, first come, first served basis. Waiting lists will be kept for some clubs if necessary!

All clubs start week beginning Monday 16th September (unless stated):

	T
DAY AND YEAR GROUP	CLUB
MONDAY – TOWN	DANCE CLUB – Louise Walmsley
YEARS 2/3/4	3.30 – 4.30 p.m. PAYABLE
TUESDAY – AF	MULTI SKILLS – COLCHESTER UNITED
YEAR 1	3.15 – 4.15 p.m. – PAYABLE THROUGH SIMSPAY
	Waiting List available (please see school office)
TUESDAY – TOWN	SPANISH (KIDSLINGO) (Places available)
YEAR 2	3.30 – 4.30 p.m PAYABLE
TUESDAY – TOWN	TENNIS (Ashley Ford)
YEAR 2	3.30 to 4.30 p.m PAYABLE (Places available)
WEDNESDAY - TOWN	SPANISH (KIDSLINGO) (Places available)
YEAR 3	3.30 to 4.30 p.m PAYABLE
WEDNESDAY – AF	YOGA CLUB (Mrs. Mishra)
YEAR 6	3.15 – 4.15 p.m. FREE – Places available
THURSDAY – TOWN	MULTI-SKILLS CLUB – Colchester United Football in the
YEAR 2	Community – 3.30 – 4.30 p.m PAYABLE
THURSDAY – AF	DANCE CLUB – Taylor's Dance Company
YEAR 1	3.15 – 4.15 p.m. – PAYABLE – Places available
THURSDAY – AF	SPANISH (KIDSLINGO)
YEAR 1	3.15 – 4.15 p.m. – PAYABLE – Places available
FRIDAY – AF	DANCE CLUB - Taylor's Dance Company
YEARS 5/6	3.15 – 4.15 p.m. – PAYABLE – Places available
(starting Friday 13/09/19)	
FRIDAY – AF	TENNIS CLUB – Ashley Ford
YEAR 1 (starting Friday	3.15 – 4.15 p.m. – PAYABLE
13/09/19)	FULL – Waiting List available

PLEASE REMEMBER FOR ALL CLUBS, CHILDREN NEED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE UNDERCOVER AREA AT THE REAR OF THE SCHOOL AT TOWN SITE AND FROM THE RECEPTION AREA AT THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL AT ABBEYFIELD SITE.