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Newsletter

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Tuesday 24th June—Year 5/6 to Colchester Zoo

Tuesday 24th June—Year 1 to Walton

Thursday 26th June—Foundation Children to Highwoods Country Park

Thursday 3rd July—Foundation children to Walton

Wednesday 9th July—Year 2/3/4 to Highwoods Country Park

Wednesday 16th July—5.00p.m.—7.30p.m.—Open Evening

Friday 18th July—last day of Summer Term

"You're the same today as you'll be in five years except for the people you meet and the books you read."

Charlie "Tremendous" Jones

Sports Day

Many thanks to all the parents, relatives and friends who came along on Tuesday to support the children at Sports Day and join us for our picnic lunch up at the Garrison Track. On behalf of all the children and staff, thank you for your cheering and enthusiastic support as the children were put through their paces by some cunningly designed sporting tasks, right out of Mrs. Bullivant's top drawer. Individual certificates were given to the children yesterday for their successes in the sprints and 400 meters



and the teams final standings are as follows:

Foundation & KS1—5th Colne 454, 4th Siege 500, 3rd Abbey 526, 2nd Temple 537, 1st Priory 559.

KS2—5th Priory 658, 4th Siege 698, 3rd Temple 790, 2nd Colne 810, 1st Abbey 850

Kingswood

Please remember that if you have not paid the last instalment of £65 this is now very overdue. The FINAL PAYMENT of £60 is now overdue.

FAO Year 5 Parents

If you are interested in a Year 7 place at a grammar school from September 2015 please refer to information about registration and deadlines at www.essex.gov.uk/grammarschools

Job Vacancies—School Expansion

We have a number of job vacancies linked to the school expansion. Please see page 2 of the newsletter.

Year 5/6 Inter Schools Competition

Yesterday afternoon a team of our Year 5/6 children headed up to the Garrison Track to take part in an athletics tournament against other local schools. The weather was not kind, but the children were fantastic. Really well done to the whole team, especially Shanii McLean who won the 600m, Edern Marsh who won the long jump, and Haydn Gentry who won the 150m. Although they did not win a medal, very well done as well to our relay team who beat North—a medal in itself.



Handwriting Competition

The Rotary Club, courtesy of Mr Ian McMeekan, has very kindly offered to run a handwriting competition again this year. Class teachers have copies of the handwriting sheet which this year is a poem entitled Purple Pinkie—Thanks for Life. KS1 need to copy out the first verse in their best handwriting and KS2 children the whole poem. Poems can be illustrated as well and the deadline for entries is 25th June.

Year 6 Carving

Many of you will have noticed our Year 6 children diligently carving this week in the undercover area of the KS1 playground. They have been working with Ian Etheridge to create a giant 'dragonfly' which will be installed at the Abbeyfields site in September.



Mayor Making

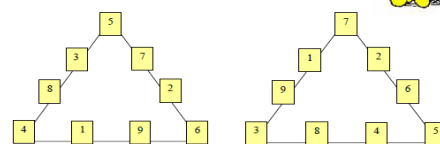
Our Year 4 and 5 School Councillors were invited to the Town Hall on Monday to take part in the annual Mayor Making ceremony. The children went to the ceremony, which was in the Moot Hall, to witness Councillor John Elliott being sworn in as Colchester's 182nd Mayor.



Maths Challenge

From last week

There were several different answers to this. Only two are included here.



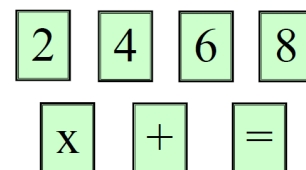
Puzzle time
The largest number

You need a calculator for this puzzle.

Using the numbers 2, 4, 6 and 8, the multiply sign, the add sign and the equals sign, what is the largest number you can make?

You may only press each digit and sign once, but you don't have to press all the signs.

This week's challenge



And Finally...

Yesterday evening I was just finishing off my talk to our new intake parents, and as I do sometimes forget things, wanted to check with Mrs Bullivant that I had remembered to say everything. 'Mrs. Bullivant' I called from the front of the room, 'is there anything else I need to say,' whilst 40 new parents waited in suspense for Mrs. Bullivant's pearls of wisdom. Unfortunately, whilst the new parents had hung on my every word...Mrs. Bullivant was deep in conversation with Mrs. Scotting, totally oblivious to what I had to say. Her excuse—she'd heard it all on Tuesday night...

Have a good weekend

Simon Billings



St John's Green—AbbeyFields—Job Vacancies— September 2015

We need a number of new Midday Assistants (MDAs) to facilitate the smooth running of our lunchtimes and supervision of children. We have vacancies at both sites for this role. The role is for an hour and 15 minutes daily with a start time of either 12.00p.m. or 12.15 p.m. This role is payable at Band 1 point 9-10—£7.11-£7.26p/h

From September we will be preparing and cooking school meals on both our school sites. This means we need a new Kitchen Assistant to work at St John's Green to help in the preparation and delivery of school meals. The post is for 2 hours daily 11.30a.m.—1.30p.m. payable at Band 1 pt 9-10-£7.11-£7.26p/h

We need a number of new Cleaners for our school sites. The posts are for 2 hours daily from 3.00p.m.—5.00p.m. and are payable at Band 1 pt 5-7—£6.45-£6.99p/h

In addition to the above, as part of the school expansion, we have a vacancy for a member of staff to support in the running of Breakfast Club. Breakfast Club will be running from 07.45a.m. to 08.45 from September. This post is for one hour daily payable at Band 1 point 9-10 £7.11-£7.26p/h If the successful applicant has children at the school, the children will be able to attend breakfast club free of charge.

If you are interested in any of the above posts please see the School Office for an application form.

The closing date for all the above vacancies is Midday on Friday 4th July and interviews will take place during the week beginning 7/7/14 and 14/7/14. Please state clearly on the front of your application form which post/s you are applying for.