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St John's Green Primary School

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Maths

We are all
writers ...



Newsletter

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Please Note: It has been decided that Friday 17th December will be a Non Pupil Day and the school will be closed.

The last day of the Autumn term will be Thursday 16th December.



School sent out electronic vouchers for Essex Activate Winter Holiday programme last week to all eligible families. Many have already booked to the FREE activities.

It's a huge opportunity to give your children some new experiences during the Christmas holiday all organised by some great local organisations.

The offer has been extended to low income families not receiving Free School Meals so do have a look at the link <https://www.activeessex.org/children-young-people/essex-activate/bookings/>

Office Vacancy

We have an upcoming vacancy in our Office Team for an Office Assistant. Application Packs will be available from either School Office from Monday. The applicant will need to be prepared to work at either site, just like all our staff.

The closing date is 12.00 noon on Wednesday 8th December and Interviews will be the week beginning 13th December.

Salary and hours =

20 hours per week (4 set hours per day)

Monday - Fridays, 8.30am - 12.30pm

£8,734.47 pro rata, Local Government pay scale 3.4



The **Big** Question for this Assessment Period—
Where are my Roots?

Our Jigsaw Theme for next week—Celebrating Differences

Our Assembly Theme for next week is: ADVENT the preparation for Christmas

As parents, the most important thing we can do is read to our children often. Reading is the path to success in school.

Laura Bush

Strong Inspirational Women

In assembly this week our older children watched this video. You may wish to view it. Assemblies for the younger children focused on who they find inspirational and why. It was fantastic to hear the children talking about Strong Inspirational Women in their lives ...

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSg_hjvqpe0

Kingswood 2022

Many thanks to Year 6 parents who came to view the information for 2022 Kingswood residential last night. The presentation and payment plan letter is on the school website under Parent Information and then Kingswood.

#UnitetheUniforms

NEXT Friday 3rd—bring £1 dress up in the colours of the Emergency Services

ORANGE YELLOW GREEN BLUE

Raising funds for the Unite the Uniforms campaign—999Cenotaph memorial to the emergency services workers, putting their lives on the line for us.



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Essex Activate	1
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Term Dates

Last day of Autumn Term— Thursday 16th December

First Day of Spring Term 2022—Tuesday 4th January

Spring Half Term. Monday 14th February—Friday 18th February.

Last day of Spring Term—Friday 1st April

Diary Dates

Friday 3rd December—Unite the Uniforms—School Non Uniform Day (Red, Blue, Green, Orange) £1

Saturday 4th December- 2.00p.m.—5.00p.m.—PTA Christmas Market

Wednesday 8th, Thursday 9th, Friday 10th December @ 10.00a.m. EYFS Nativity 'A Bundle of Joy'

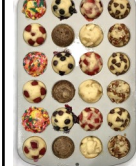
Wednesday 15th December AP1 Reports for Parents.



One more week to go for that last push on Book Bingo! Bring your sheets in next week.

Article 28 (right to education) Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free and different forms of secondary education must be available to every child. Discipline in schools must respect children's dignity and their rights. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

PTA CHRISTMAS MARKET—Sat 4th Dec



All donations of cakes can be handed into Abbeyfield Site from Friday 3rd December p.m. and after 10am at Abbey Field Site on Saturday 4th December. Guidelines for cooking at home are overleaf and please remember every homemade cake should have all the ingredients listed to cover all allergies.

Additional Fundraiser ...Tropic Skincare Fundraising Event Sunday 28th November

A virtual Christmas Shopping Event taking you through Tropics range of multi-award winning skincare and beauty products. The perfect way to get some gifts purchased from the comfort of your sofa and raise funds for the School Community Cupboard. Please see the PTA Facebook page for more details...

Awards

STAR—Eleanor (RRex), JUMBO—Damian (RRex), CHARIOT— Aiza (MLM)

EAGLES—Niranjan (MM), CIRCUS- Skye (MM), ROSES - Danthai (MM)

MERCURY— Jasper (MLM), CLAUDIUS- Nina (RROX), ROMANS- Ned (MM)

DUTCH— Freya (CC), ICENI—Isla (RRex), PAXMAN— Lexi (RRex)

CASTLE— Sudhesha (MM), CAVALIER— Rosie, Igor, Markas & Georgina (CC) GARRISON— Summer (RROX)

OYSTERS- Alex (MM), MAGNETS - Austin (RRex), RAEDWALD - Finlay (MM)

CYMBELINE— Gracie (MLM), TRINOVANTES— Bethany (MM), LATHES - Demi (LML)

ATTENDANCE— Castle

Year 2— Colchester Library Visits

We have missed our Year 2 trips to Colchester Library, so it has been great to start these again. Colchester Town Centre library has a very welcoming staff and area for children to choose and read their favourite stories and fact books.

And best of all, it's free! Please do give thought to enrolling your child (and yourself) at the library.



One way to GROW
... Immerse yourself
and your children in
quality literature

FOOD SAFETY HYGIENE FOR PREPARING CAKES AT HOME:

Here are some general practical tips for when you're making food for large numbers of people:

- prepare food in advance and freeze it, if you can, but ensure the food is properly defrosted before you use it
- wash your hands regularly with soap and water, using hand sanitisers if hand washing facilities are not available
- keep raw and ready-to-eat foods apart
- do not use food past its use-by date
- always read any cooking instructions and make sure food is properly cooked before you serve it
- ensure that food preparation areas are suitably cleaned and sanitised after use and wash any equipment you are using in hot soapy water keep food out of the fridge for the shortest time possible

If you make a cake at home:

- use recipes from reputable sources
- always wash your hands before preparing food
- make sure that surfaces, bowls, utensils, and any other equipment are clean
- don't use raw eggs in anything that won't be thoroughly cooked, such as icing or mousse
- keep cheesecakes and any cakes or desserts containing fresh cream in the fridge
- store cakes in a clean, sealable container, away from raw foods

On the day, when you bring in cakes from home or run the stall, you should:

- transport cakes in a clean, sealable container
- make sure that cheesecake and any cakes or desserts containing fresh cream are left out of the fridge for the shortest time possible, ideally not longer than 4 hours
when handling cakes use tongs or a cake slice

You can keep cakes and baked goods with high sugar content in:

- airtight containers - this will prevent mould growth through absorption of moisture from the atmosphere
- the fridge - cakes will last for longer, but their quality may be affected
Any cakes with high moisture additions, such as cream added after baking, should not be left at room temperature. They must be stored chilled (in the fridge) and eaten within the use-by date of the added product.

There are some types of icing, such as ganache and buttercream, that can be kept outside the fridge. It's best to store them somewhere cool and dry. Check the guidelines for storage of the particular icing product you will be using.

Happy baking and thank you for supporting the PTA Christmas Market.