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We we are all
Maths writers ...



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Teacher Strike Action

NEU Strike Day is 1st February, some teaching staff are taking strike action but on this occasion the school will be open as usual for all classes.



Happy Stargazing!

Stargazing

We know many of you were disappointed that we could not hold our Stargazing Evening last week due to the cloudy skies. Mr Bates has sent this message, "For all you stargazing fans, this is a map of the Night's Sky in January. It gives you an idea of the stars you may see at night in January. It also includes some of the planets. The bigger the black dot on the map, the brighter the star in the sky.

The middle of the map is straight overhead and the edge of the circle is the horizon. The bottom of the map faces South, the top North and so on. There are plenty of stargazing phone apps to use as well. Wrap up warm and enjoy some free awe and wonder. You are looking out into the infinite universe.

Our Assembly Theme: EDUCATION

Term Dates

Monday 13th—Friday 17th February—Half Term
Monday 3rd April—Friday 14th April—Easter Break
Monday 17th April—First day of Summer Term.
Monday 1st May—May Day Bank Holiday—The School is Closed.
Monday 8th May—King Charles Coronation—Public Holiday—The School is Closed.
Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June—Half Term
Wednesday 19th July—Monday 4th September—Summer Holiday
Tuesday 5th September—First day of Autumn Term.

Diary Dates

WB 6th February-Children's mental Health Week.
Tuesday 7th February—Safer Internet Day.
Friday 10th February—International day of Women and Girls in Science.
Monday 13th—Friday 17th March—British Science Week.

The **Big** Question for the Spring
Term Assessment Period — Who is
Responsible for the World?

Our Jigsaw Theme
for this Half Term—
Dreams and Goals

Rights Respecting Schools

Article 14 (freedom of thought, belief and religion) Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practise their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights. Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents to guide their child as they grow up.

JOIN IN WITH ... The Big Garden Birdwatch

THIS WEEKEND—The Big Garden Birdwatch is free and a bit of fun for everyone who takes part!

Set up by the RSPB, you can download a free digital guide from their website and refer to the guide when you birdwatch from your garden or local park!



shorturl.at/duGVW

One Square Mile: Heritage on Our Doorstep

We had a 44% response rate to our Parent Survey last week—so thank you! Teachers have been to visit Essex Record Office in Chelmsford to view the archived maps and documents for our Town site building. Teachers are using the expert advice of so many historians, artists, archivists etc to enrich their knowledge and the research skills of our pupils.



Here is Afreen, she has been beavering away on her Book Bingo Challenges—we were very impressed with the extra effort Afreen went to at home to complete them.



Awards

- STAR— Henrik (CC), CHARIOT— Raife (RR), JUMBO- Brooke (RR).
- EAGLES— Hickson (RREX), ROSES— Isaac (MLM), CIRCUS- Hey (RROX).
- MERCURY— Andrew (RREX), CLAUDIUS- Rhys (RREX), ROMANS- Isabel (MM).
- DUTCH— Lily (MM), ICENI— Alice & Cher (RREX), PAXMAN— Lillie (RREX).
- CASTLE— Olly (CC), CAVALIER— James & Kiara (CC), GARRISON— Julia (RROX).
- OYSTERS- Ava (MLM), MAGNETS- Layla (RROX), RAEDWALD- Omar (RREX).
- TRINOVAENTES— Mia (MLM), CYMBELINE— Ayra (MLM), LATHES— Leah (RREX).
- ATTENDANCE— Raedwald
- HUB—Joshua (RROX), LIBRARY— Afreen (MM)

Attendance Update: Thank you to parents who came to the School Attendance Meetings held last week with Mr Billings. Teachers and the school office will keep on top of your child's attendance, so please do not be surprised if we give you a call or send you a letter if your child is not in school.

Six Core Strengths.

No. 6 Respect:

Respecting yourself and others

Appreciating your own self-worth and the value of others grows from the foundation of the 5 strengths we have previously written about. An aware, tolerant child with good affiliation, attachment and self-regulation strengths gains respect naturally. The development of respect is a lifelong process yet its roots are in early childhood as children learn these core strengths and integrate them into their behaviours and their worldview.

Why it is important: children will belong to many groups, meet many kinds of people and will need to be able to listen, negotiate, compromise and cooperate. Having respect enables a child to accept others and to see the value in diversity. They will learn to see that every group needs many styles and many strengths to succeed and he can value each person in the group for their talents and strengths. When children respect and value diversity they find the world to be more interesting, complex and a safer place. Just as understanding replaces ignorance, respect replaces fear.

TikTok—What's It All About ?

Feeling left out on social media knowledge? We know that our pupils are increasingly accessing social media platforms at home on their phones and other devices. Sometimes parents are completely unaware of the content their child is watching or engaging with.

ParentZone are running TechTips Live on 31st January, sign up here
<https://parentzone.org.uk/tech-tips-live>

If you cannot watch it live, then sign up and stream it later at your own convenience. ParentZone are an excellent source of digital tips, advice and guidance for parents and carers.



Murray took the opportunity to do his own science experiment to see how clouds are made last week at home. Well done Murray!

Stay and Play Group on Wednesday

Did you know that Ms Clarke and Mrs Cottham run a free parent group every Wednesday from 9am to 10am?

Any school parent with a preschool child is welcome. Come along to Abbey Field site and meet other parents, your child can play and socialise safely and we even have craft activities for you and your child to enjoy.