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Zoo Trip—Year 1



We're all going to the zoo tomorrow' - well actually it was Wednesday and despite the best efforts of the weather, the children had a lovely time

Year 1 were able to walk around the zoo in small groups viewing the animals, learning about

conservation and animals natural habitats.

Thank you to the parents who came along on the day to help; we just could not run trips like this without your support.



Assembly Theme for Next Week:

Know how to help yourself when you are upset or hurt.

The 'Right' we will be focusing on this Half Term is Article 29:

Your education should help you use and develop your talents and abilities.

It should also help you learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.

Diary Dates

Year 1 Zoo Trip

Holiday Club

PTA Competition

Text Messaging

TikTok

Multi-School Council

Monday 13th May-Happy Days Photography At Town site Class Photographs. Monday 13th May-Thursday 16th May.

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Year 6 KS2 SATs.

Monday 27th May—Friday 31st May. Half Term. WB 3/6/19—ARTs Week (Supported by PTA) Fri 21st June-Non-Uniform Day

WC 24/6/19-Year 2 to Skreens Park Fri 28th June—Summer Fair, 5pm-7pm Abbeyfield site

Tuesday 23rd July-Last Day of Summer Term Wednesday 4th September. First Day of Autumn

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

Multi-School Council

After a longer than expected walk to St. James School, avoiding the flooded underpass, Bethany, Finley, Freddie, Nancy, Elliott and Sonny were eager to get involved in the lively discussions.

Before their ideas were even able to start flowing, we were told that the Multi Schools Council had

received funding to become a five day a week organisation. This gives them the opportunity to visit schools across Essex, to deliver important training and promote School Council ideas that the children have said they need and want.

During the morning discussions, we talked about: a project to build children's confidence and life skills, mental health, autism and discussing differences in school, a project to have year 6 children become Ofsted inspectors and finally we voted on which topics we would like to consider in the next academic year.

Fun4Kids Half Term Holiday Club

Do You need childcare in the May half term?

Fun 4 Kids at St John's Green are open for full (7.30am-6pm) or half day sessions (7.30am-1pm or 1pm -6pm) on Tuesday 28th, Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th.

Lots of lovely activities for your child to enjoy, healthy snacks included. Please check the website for further information www.fun4kidscolchester.co.uk

Awards

Year 6 (Trinovantes) - Isaac Peek & Yehia Abou Wafia MLM

Year 6 (Cymbeline) - Joshua Stanley-Kerr RRFX

Year 5 (Oysters) — Scarlett Hosier RREX Year 5 (Magnets) - Naomi Roberts MLM

Year 4 (Castle) - Frejsi Noci MM Year 4 (Cavalier) - Amina Budak MM

Year 4 (Garrison) - Rose Warnock RREX

Year 3 (Dutch) - Callum McPherson RREX

Year 3 (Iceni) - Gracie Milligan RREX

Year 3 (Paxman) - Rudra Shah CC

Year 2 (Mercury) - Emily Harper MLM

Year 2 (Claudius) - Smera Arora MM

Year 2 (Romans) - Hartley Tynan-Smith MM

Year 1 (Eagles) - Myles Clayfield MM

Year 1 (Circus) - Jack Kirton MM Year 1 (Roses) - Chris Kadri RROX

Foundation (Chariot) - Leah Brown MLM

Foundation (Star) - Erica Jones MM

Foundation (Jumbo) - Connor Humphrey-Johnson MM

Attendance - Trinovantes

PTA Design Competition

The PTA have been beavering away on activities over the past few months and the latest PTA competition is on the reverse.

Please keep in mind two events coming up ...

Friday 21st JUNE, non uniform day, collecting for

Friday 28th JUNE 5pm-7pm Summer Fair. Really good to see more parents and carers becoming involved with our PTA.

Class Photos Moved

We have had to move

class photos, so the new

Yrs 2/3/4

Monday 13th May

days are as

fallows:

Town Site-

the Summer Fair.

Text Messaging Reminder

A reminder to all parents that we are in the process of setting up a text messaging system for parents. This sits directly on e-schools, which is the system we use for the school website and calendar. E-schools also links to our management software, which means that as long as we have your correct primary contact details—mobile phone and email address, we will be able to text/e-mail you directly.

The school has to purchase bundles of texts to enable us to use this service which we

have done

However, ever mindful of saving money, if parents download a free app then the cost of us sending you a text message is absolutely free.

This is a direct link to the app:

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=uk.co.eschools.eschools&hl=en_GB Or

https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/eschools/id824220621?mt=8 We have asked a few parents to trial the downloading of the app, which is free and it is a bit of a faff, with various permissions being needed. However, it would be appreciated if you could take the time to do this as it will ultimately save us money.

<u>Both the links are available on the school website via 'Parent Information' and then</u>

'<u>Text Messaging.'</u>
Staff Training on the using the software is scheduled for next week, so we will confirm in the newsletter next Friday when we will be sending out the 'Test' text.

Weather

We have had lots of weather this week, as the children say. A waterproof coat would be a good idea for May until we move into a more settled weather pattern.



TikTok App and Guidelines

We are aware that some of our pupils are using the app TikTok (previously known as Musically) to generate and share video content.

The age recommendation is 13 and above. However, you don't have to prove your age when creating an account, so younger children can still use it easily. It's most popular with under-16s.

We have enclosed a fact sheet for Parents which we hope you will find useful to help keep your child safe online.



And Finally,

We are so proud of our Year 2 children this week who have completed their KS1 SATs. The children have been focussed on doing their very best in the calm environment of the classroom, helped and supported by our teachers and LSAs.

Have a Good Weekend

Tina Bourne



St John's Green PTA Design Competition

The Parent Teacher Association are calling all budding artists to come up with a design for their new logo to replace the one above.

The design needs to be:	
Simple, clear and fun. It will be used on all the letters, certificates and posters that the PTA make, so your art will be seen a lot for many years to come!	
How to enter:	
Draw your design in the space below and hand it in to the school office with your name and class on it.	
The closing date for the competition is Thursday 23 rd May 2019	
There will be prizes for the best design and the two runners up.	
Name:	Class: