



# St John's Green Primary School.

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## Newsletter

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'The Most Important Thing is not to Stop Questioning' Albert Einstein.

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### Diary Dates

Monday 26th May—Friday 30th May—Half Term

Monday 2nd June—Back to school

Friday 6th June 1.30pm — Sponsored Walk at Abbeyfields

Friday 18th July—last day of Summer Term



### Year 4 Residential at DANBURY

We are delighted to report that Class Castle had the most fantastic 3 day residential trip to Danbury Outdoors, near Chelmsford from Monday to Wednesday. We added this event to the calendar this year as part of our curriculum on teambuilding, cooperation and new experiences. The children gave their absolute best in trying out all the activities on offer, including: high ropes, obstacle course, orienteering, kite flying, abseiling, problem solving, morning walks in the woods, field games, diary writing, camp fire and the 'leap of faith'.



Thank you to Mr Bates, Miss Bailey, Miss Knox and Mr Billings for looking after the children 24/7 and joining in with all the fun.



### Eagles Go Bananas!

Class Eagles set off on an expedition to Go Bananas this week as their reward for the class with the highest Spring Term attendance. Climbing, sliding, jumping and running was the order of the day. Plenty of physical exercise with the walk there



and back to the Cowdroy Centre too!

Well done Eagles—I wonder who the attendance winners will be for the Summer Term and the ultimate winners for the whole year?



### Year 1 Multi-Skills

Very well done to the 12 Year 1 children who did us proud in the Multi-Skills event organised by Colchester Institute yesterday. The children had a variety of ball handling and athletic games to play at the excellent venue of Colchester Cricket Club.

### Class Photographs

Photograph orders will be accepted at the school up until Friday 6th June.

After that a surcharge will apply, so please get your order forms filled in and returned to the office with payment straight after half term.

### Safety Sam Visit

We had a special visitor in school this week. Safety Sam told us all about the dangers of playing on a building site. As our second site at Abbeyfields is taking shape, we felt it was a good time to educate the children on the hazards of building sites.



Safety Sam introduced a short video and left all the children with some lovely gifts of pencils, rulers, erasers and bookmarks. He also donated some hi-vis jackets so we could travel between the two sites safely.



### Awards

Tigger Award (Trinovantes) - Yazmine Shrimpton

Eeyore Award (Oysters) — Michael Wu

Winnie the Pooh Award (Castle) - Lottie Lloyd

Lion Award (Dutch) - Millie Morgan

Sully Award (Mercury) - Tobi Akintola

Diddle Award (Claudius) - Emma Wang

Scrappy Award (Eagles) - Karina Ferreira

Bumble Award (Circus) - Katie Baxter

Stitch Award (Daffodils) - Zoe Flicker

Mickey Award (Roses) - Trinity Cottham

Simba Award — Castle

Spot Award — Jack Ferguson

Attendance Award - Trinovantes

### 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 due by Friday 13th June.

### After School Clubs & Reading

All clubs will continue as usual the week beginning Monday 2nd June.

Reading with adults before and after school will also begin straight after half term.

### Maths Challenge

Answers to the challenge from last week below:

#### Calculator - words

Did you know that you can read words on your calculator? You can if you turn it upside down! Find a calculator. Got it? Good. Now type in 0.7734 Turn the display upside down. Hello! Try these sums on your calculator. Turn the answer upside down and you should get a word. We have given you some clues so you may be able to guess the word before you start.

- 39459 ÷ 7 =  
(Spiders have 8 but millipedes do not have millions)
- 15469 x 5 =  
(Put it to your ear and you may hear the sea.)
- The square root of 59876644  
(It sounds like he invented the telephone.)
- 10 000 - 9 393  
(It's easy to fall off this)
- 1792202 x 3 =  
(Put these on to see underwater)

The answer to No. 5 is not pyjamas!



This Week—an easy one:

A palindromic number reads the same forwards as it does backwards. For example 121, or 85458. Can you add two palindromic numbers together to make a new palindromic number? As ever, please pop your answers on a piece of paper and into the folder on Mr Bates' door.

And Finally...

Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No it's Mr Billings at Danbury .....

Have a good weekend



Tina Bourne