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PTA Summer Fair

Please don't forget our PTA Summer Fair is tonight from 5.00p.m.—7.00p.m. @ AF.

The Bouncy Castles are here, the burgers are bought, the dancers and singers are ready and there's raffle prizes aplenty.

Please don't forget as well a plethora of games and other stalls all designed to encourage you to spend money, all of which goes back to the children in the school.

As an added bonus, it looks like it will be a lovely evening and a far cry from the deluge we had last year.

PTA Sponsored Walk

On Tuesday 8th July we'll be holding our annual Sponsored Walk.

Sponsor forms will be coming out Monday for your children to cajole and encourage friends and relations to sponsor them to complete as many circuits (or just a total amount if you prefer) of the school's Abbey Field site as they can.

Mobile Phones

<https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/>

Obviously with regards to phones the school can only do so much but we do speak from experience.

Adolescent brains are most at risk

Teenage brains are still under construction - especially the parts responsible for impulse control, emotional regulation and decision-making. And smartphones, with their infinite scroll, relentless notifications and dopamine-driven design, are reshaping how young minds experience reward, attention and connection.

Smartphones aren't inherently 'bad'. They're powerful, remarkable tools. But that's the point - they're powerful. And kids are the most vulnerable to their effects. Their brains aren't ready for the responsibility that comes with constant access to the online world. That's not a judgement of their maturity - it's just biology.

There is now a growing body of research linking heavy smartphone use to poor sleep, reduced concentration, higher levels of anxiety, and lower overall well-being. These aren't just passing side effects - they're changes that can affect how children learn, interact, and develop in the long term.

Smartphones also come with intense social pressure - group chats, FOMO, and the constant fear of being left out. And then there's the content itself. Kids can easily stumble across things they're just not developmentally ready for - from pornography to pro-anorexia content to toxic ideologies. These devices are also designed to be addictive. Their business model depends on keeping kids scrolling, not teaching them balance or self-regulation.

In its most simple form with regards to phones—addiction is 'using something to the point where it could be harmful to you.'



Mid Day Assistant and Breakfast Club Assistant Vacancy

MDA

Daily hours = 1 hour 15 minutes

Monday - Friday

Annual salary £3,386.07

Term time excluding non-pupil days

Deployed at either site

Breakfast Club Assistant

Daily hours = 1 hour 15 minutes

Monday - Friday

Annual salary £3,386.07

Term time excluding non-pupil days

Deployed at either site

If you're interested in either of these positions, please contact either School Office for an application form.



Flourish

Last week, we had an art/creative week with the theme of flourish. During the week, the children worked on making their own scrapbooks. As the children developed their skills, each year group was tasked with creating a big piece of 2D art which represented the theme 'Flourish.' As you can see some fantastic displays. My thanks to Mrs. Havell for bringing the art all together and to Mrs. Rowe, who embedded music throughout the week for each year group.



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Term Dates

Friday 18th July—Last day of Summer Term

Diary Dates

Friday 27th June—Summer Fair @ AF 5.00p.m.—7.00p.m.

Tuesday 1st July, Year 3 (Dutch and Paxman) Trip to Danbury—Cavemen.

Wednesday 2nd July, Year 3 (Iceni) Trip to Danbury—Cavemen.

Friday 18th July—Non Uniform Day in support of 'Essex Therapy Dogs' - £1.00. Dress for Summer!

Sports Days all at AF

Monday 30th June, 1.15p.m.—Year 6 (Please note this is a change in date).

Year 6

Monday 14th July. 5.00p.m.—7.00p.m. Year 6 Leavers BBQ @ AF.

Tuesday 15th July. Year 6 Production. 'The Wizard of Oz.' @ 1.40p.m. AF

Wednesday 16th July. Year 6 Production. 'The Wizard of Oz.' @ 1.40p.m. AF

Thursday 17th July. Year 6 Production. 'The Wizard of Oz.' @ 6.30p.m.. AF

Assembly Theme for WB: 30/06/25 — Conquering Fear

Rights Respecting Schools

Article 2 (non-discrimination) The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.

Awards

STAR— Alma (MM), CHARIOT— Dean (RROX), JUMBO - Amara (CC).

EAGLES — Adamah (CC), ROSES— Mia (RROX), CIRCUS— Madin (All).

MERCURY— Hudson (RREX), CLAUDIUS - Nuyam (RREX) ROMANS -Sophie

DUTCH — Jenson, ICENI — Erick, PAXMAN— Neve

CASTLE — Zahra, GARRISON — Alex, CAVALIER — Andrew.

OYSTERS— Ivy (MM), RAEDWALD - Alfred & Ranaa (RREX), MAGNETS— Luke (RREX).

TRINOVANTES— Chloe (MM), CYMBELINE— Leon (CC), LATHES— Julia (MLM).

ATTENDANCE— Cymbeline

Thank you very much to everyone who was able to come along and support their children in Sports Days this week.

We'll pop the final results in next weeks newsletter, once Year 6 have had their Sports Day.