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# St John's Green Primary School

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## Newsletter

We ♥  
Maths

We are all  
writers ...

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### Open School

Please remember that this Wednesday, from 3.15p.m./3.30p.m., is Open School. This is a chance for parents, should they wish, to just pop into their child's class and see how their children have started the year—very informal.



### Roald Dahl Day

On Tuesday, we recognised, in the school, 100 years since the birth of Roald Dahl, perhaps one of the most prolific story writers for children of our time.

Each class undertook various different Roald Dahl activities to mark this day. These ranged from catching dreams, making big ears, sorting personality cards, descriptive writing, Roald Dahl maths, etc.

Full credit to Mr Green, who was the school's very own Umpa Lumpa for the day!



### School Uniform

Please, please, please could parents make sure all items of their children's clothes are named. We already have quite a few bits of lost property, which is quite impossible to return if we can't match up the bit of uniform with the child.

At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.

Jane D. Hull

### Nut Allergies

We do have several children in the school who are severely allergic to nuts. Please would parents not send children into school with Peanut Butter sandwiches, packets of peanuts etc. Many thanks.

### Flu Immunisation

Could parents please make sure that consent forms for the Flu Immunisation are returned to either school office by Friday 23rd September. Flu Immunisation will take place at both sites on Friday 7th October.



Parents of Year 6 children must apply for secondary places (Year 7) by 31st October 2016. go to [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions)

### Roman Day

On Thursday, children in Year 4 spent the day imagining they had gone back in time under the rule of the cowardly Emperor Claudius. This is linked to their theme 'The Romans Versus Bou-dicca.'



### Awards

Year 6 (Trinovantes) - Ethan Peek  
Year 5 (Oysters) — Sam Card  
Year 4 (Castle) - Harry Gillon  
Year 4 (Cavalier) - Alliyah Famuyiwa  
Year 3 (Dutch) - Mohammad Amir  
Year 3 (Iceni) - Lexi Noone  
Year 2 (Mercury) - Kitty McNally  
Year 2 (Claudius) - Dominik Nowak  
Year 2 (Romans) - Brendan Collier  
Year 1 (Eagles) - Freya Hunt  
Year 1 (Circus) - Dylan Merrion  
Year 1 (Roses) - Bella Guest  
Foundation (Chariot) - Stanley Curtis  
Foundation (Star) - Borys Sztobryn  
Foundation (Jumbo) - Luca Wren  
Heads' Award— Castle & Cavalier  
Attendance — Iceni

### School Vacancies

We currently have the following vacancies at the school.

**Mid Day Assistant** £7.66 p/h.  
1 hour 15 minutes daily.

### Cleaner

£7.52 p/h. 2 hours daily at the end of the school day, approximately 3.30p.m.—5.30p.m.

### Breakfast Club Assistant

£7.66p/h. 1 hour 15 minutes daily. 7.45a.m.—9.00a.m.

### Catering Assistant

£7.66p/h. 1 hour 30 minutes daily. Lunchtime.

Please note that all members of staff are entitled to use the school Breakfast Club for their children free of charge.

If you are interested in any of the above positions please let either school office know.

### Earrings

Guidance for PE stipulates that all earrings should be removed for PE and that schools are no longer allowed to tape earrings. I will send out additional clarification for all parents with regards to earrings.

### Swimming Trunks— Parents in Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

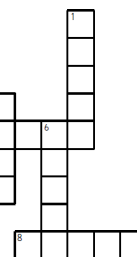


Just a polite reminder to parents of boys swimming that as per the letter we sent out at the beginning of term, they should wear swimming trunks and not swimming shorts. There are a number of reasons for this but fundamentally, swimming trunks are more hygienic than shorts and we are delivering swimming lessons and swimming shorts increase the drag on children's bodies.

### Crossword Challenge



#### Farm Animal Noises Crossword



#### Across

3. a cat says...
5. a pig says...
7. a cow says...
8. a chick says...

#### Down

1. a duck says...
2. a sheep says...
4. a dog says...
6. a horse says...

There'll be a weekly crossword challenge this term.

As always, Answers on Miss Salmon's door if you are at Abbey site and on Mr Green's door if you are at Town site.

The winning entry each week from each phase will get to choose a free book or writing prize.



And Finally,

Oysters school dinner menu choice, created an interesting challenge for Mrs Burke and Mrs Blackery—how do you make over 300 gingerbread men? Apparently—it takes quite a long time, but absolutely fantastic results and the gingerbread men were massive. Sadly, I didn't get one, but I'm told they were very nice.

Have a good Weekend

Simon Billings



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Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2016

Dear Mr Billings,

**Invitation to Participate in Christmas Card Competition**

I am writing to all primary schools with a warm invitation for your pupils to participate in my Christmas Card Competition to design my card for this year. I would be delighted to receive entries from those in Reception Year right through to Year Six. The winning design will be on the front of my card, with two runners up displayed on the reverse.

I would be grateful if those entering could do the following for me:

- (1) Draw a festive picture or painting on A4 white paper
- (2) Put name, year, age, school and home contact details on reverse of picture
- (3) Please post submissions to **Will Quince MP, 37 Layer Road, Colchester, CO2 7JW**

The deadline for submissions will be **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October**, and the judging will take place on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October**. I will let the successful applicant know directly and will inform the schools.

I do hope this is something that may appeal to your pupils as they return from the summer and would be thrilled if you and your staff felt able to encourage this. Thank you in advance for any help you can give.

If you have any questions on this or if I could be of any help on another matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

**Will Quince - Member of Parliament for Colchester**

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