



GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Achieving and celebrating success for all.....

Newsletter Friday 26th January 2018 (Issue 235)

Stars of the Week!

Blue Class	Kensi Bryant/Olivia Clarke and Max Hounsell/Imogen Tierney (last week)
Green Class	George Young/ Madison Beckett and Jessica Finch/Elizabeth Summers (last week)
Yellow Class	Freya Morgan/Ryan Birnie and Oliver Lupton/Nancy Hills (last week)
1ST	Eben Charnick
1AS	Zara Holland-Martin
1JF	Joseph Miller
2G/B	Fletcher Courtneil
2CA	Alexa Rodulfo
2EL	Kavya Patel
3DS	Freddie Burrows
3F/C	Ava Hammond
3KO	Daniel Reynolds
4TA	Kellis Mackintosh
4CF	Nicola Fawell
4LS	Sophia Taylor
5CS	Jack Harlow
5HR	Daniel Spicer
5HT	Finn Tyrell
6JC	Owen Frith
6DP	Charlie Strickland
6MB	Jamie Lammas

Diary Dates Dinner Menu B

Monday 29th January—3.30pm—Selected children in Home Mixed Netball vs. Rayleigh Primary.

Tuesday 30th January—am—Dance Teams taking part in the Dance Festival at the Palace Theatre.

Wednesday 31st January Menu change to chicken nuggets, Quorn dippers, chunky chips, sweetcorn and chocolate ice cream.

Thursday 1st February—3.20pm Year 5 Bradwell Meeting in KS2 Hall.

Friday 2nd February—am—Year 1 PE with Parents.

Friday 2nd February—Years 3,4,5 & 6 Cross Country competition at the Fitzwimarc School.

Friday 2nd February—Selected children at the Young Voices Concert at the O2.

Play Leader of the Week —Hiram Yeates

Play Buddy of the Week— Jamie Crowder

Attendance Stars for last week are

KS1...2EL with 99.3%....and KS2... 4CFand 4T/A both with 99.7%



WELL DONE!



KEEP UP THE GOOD ATTENDANCE!

Reminder—PE Days for this Year

Please make a note of your child's PE day:
Please ensure that your child has their full PE kit in school on the following days:

Reception—Thursday am

Year 1—Friday am

Year 2—Wednesday am

Year 3—Monday am

Year 4—Monday pm

Year 5—Tuesday pm

Year 6—Thursday pm



Healthy Schools

KS2 children should have a PE kit in school at all times.



On Wednesday 24th January the children in Reception invited their grandparents for afternoon tea. The children had been busy preparing tasty treats of cakes and sandwiches ready

for the party which the grandparents really enjoy eating! There was also a class performance of the 3 Little Pigs that included the children retelling the story to some fabulous actions.

Thank you for all those who supported the afternoon tea, it was really lovely to have so many there.



**Book Fair is coming to Grove Wood...
all next week KS1 Hall 3.05pm—4pm.
For every £1 spent the School receives
60p so please come along and have a
look.**



Well done to Miss Francis for passing The National Professional Qualification for Middle Leadership (NPQML) from the National College for Teaching & Leadership (NCTL). This is a new qualification that provides national recognition of leadership development and professional achievement as a middle leader and helps develop the skills, knowledge and confidence needed to lead a high-performing team in a school and to improve classroom practice.

Thinking of trying a new sport?

....See our Club Links.

Interested in fencing?...check out www.littlemusketeers.com and for youth football visit Rayleigh Boys and Girls YFC at www.rayleighfc.org.uk



We have been given 2 Karate Outfits—one 160cms and one 180cms. If your child does Karate lessons and could make use of these, please



This week Year 1 invited Dads, Grandads and Uncles into school to join them for their reading challenge. The children really enjoyed reading and sharing all sorts of books in school .

PAGWPS would like to thank all those who took the time to bag up their old clothes and bring them into school for the Happy Bags collection.

148 bags in total were collected raising a fabulous £427.70.

Next collection date is 21st June.

This week several of our Children's University members graduated at the South Essex College in South-end. Clemmie and Daisy gave a lovely presentation about all the clubs that they have participated on in order to gain their hours (both girls have over 100 hours each!) As well as celebrating our own achievements, our graduates had the opportunity to watch presentations from other clubs and schools as well. Overall, it was a thoroughly enjoyable evening.





HURRY...ends 31.1.18!



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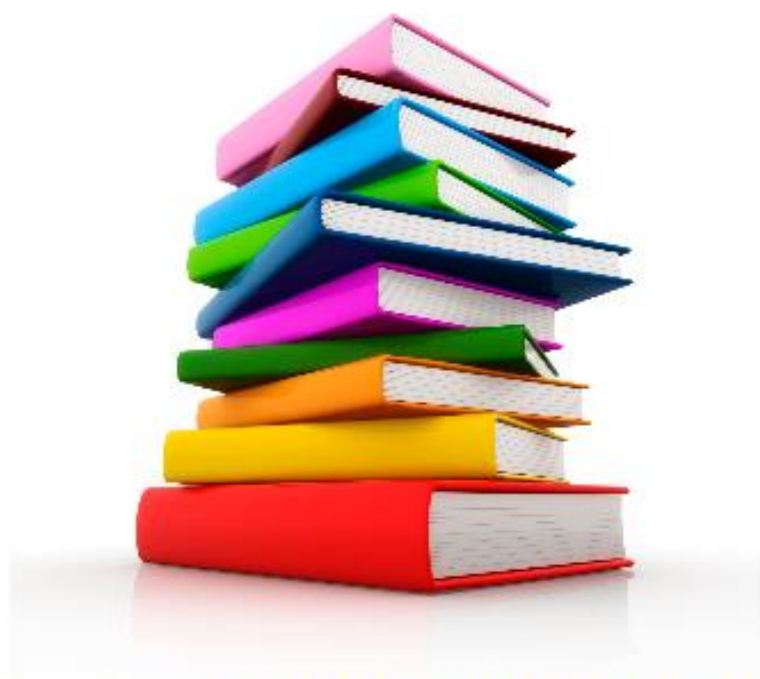
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31st January 2018. Free delivery on orders over £50.

WORLD BOOK DAY

BOOK COVER COMPETITION



ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO DESIGN A NEW BOOK COVER FOR EITHER YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK OR AN IMAGINARY BOOK - REMEMBER TO INCLUDE THE TITLE AND AUTHOR AND ALSO GIVE A SENSE OF WHAT THE BOOK IS ABOUT. ALL ENTRIES NEED TO BE A4 BUT CAN BE IN ANY MEDIUM.

HAVE FUN READING AND DESIGNING!

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL ENTRIES TO MR PASCOE BY MONDAY 26TH FEBRUARY



LAUNCH EVENT

We are the new independent parent carer forum for families of children and young people with disabilities and additional needs aged 0-25 across the whole of Essex.

Are you a parent carer of a child or young person aged 0-25 with additional needs or disabilities?

Do you believe families' voices should be heard to ensure services in Essex meet the needs of our children and young people?

Then, come along to our Launch event and discover how together we can help shape the future for our families.

PLACES MUST BE BOOKED AND ARE LIMITED, SO PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU BOOK EARLY

EMAIL: hello.essexfamilyforum@gmail.com

TELEPHONE: 07742958003 / 07707110592

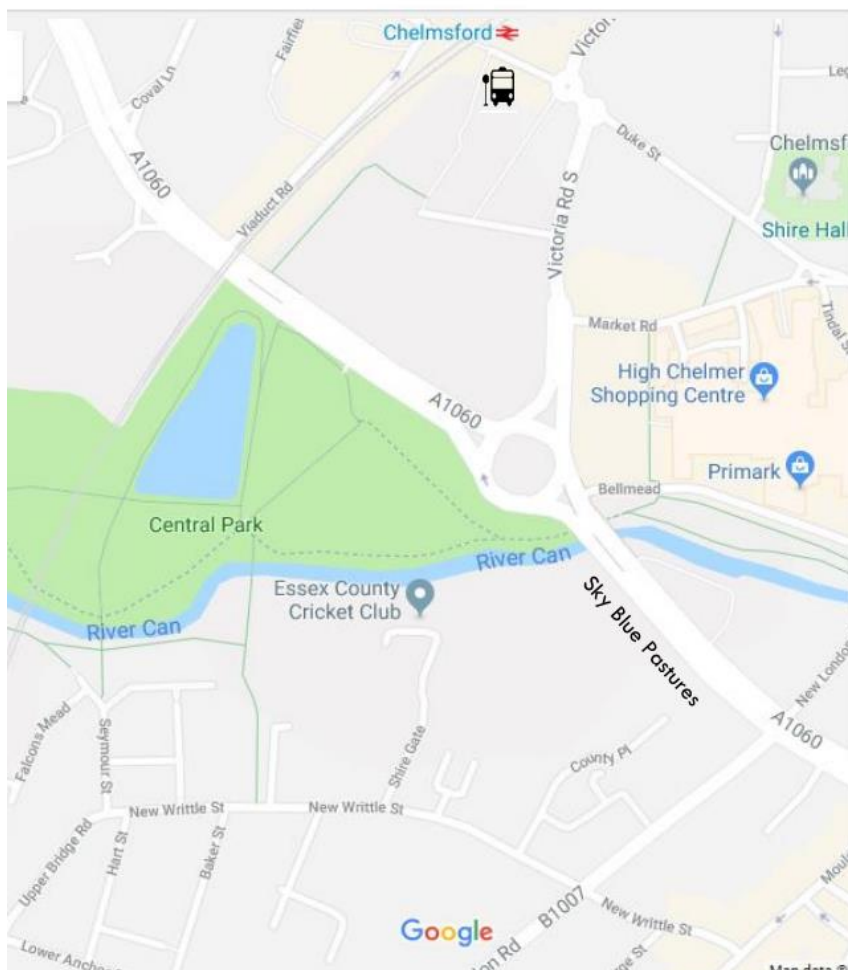
www.essexfamilyforum.org

7th February 2018

10am – 2pm

Essex County Cricket Ground, New Writtle Street, Chelmsford, CM2 0PG

Refreshments & Lunch will be provided



Disabled Access:

Via New Writtle Street. Accessible car park spaces are available.

By Train:

Chelmsford Railway Station is an approximate 10 minute walk from The Essex County Cricket Ground.

By Bus:

Chelmsford Bus Station is situated on Duke Street, next to Chelmsford Train Station, Bus numbers 42 and 100, stop on New London Road, which is approximately a two minute walk to the Ground, via New Writtle Street.

By Park & Ride:

Sandon CM2 7RZ – Located at Junction 18 on the A12.
Chelmer Valley CM3 3PR – Located on the A130 east of Essex Regiment Way.

On Foot:

The Main Entrance is on New Writtle Street, but the Ground can be entered via Sky Blue Pastures from the City Centre either via Parkway near High Chelmer car park and market, or from New London Road (by Marks & Spencer).

By Car (Pay & Display Car Park at Cricket Ground): New Writtle Street, Chelmsford CM2 0PG.

From the North: Junction 19 on the A12 (Boreham). Take A138 to Town Centre, then A1060/Parkway to B1007 New London Road.

From the South: Junction 15 on the A12, take A414 exit to Harlow/Chelmsford. At the Wood Street roundabout take the first exit onto New London Road/B1007.

Parking Costs up to max. of £4.00 will be reimbursed



Friends of Grove Wood Primary School

Are pleased to invite you to our

Family Race Night!

Saturday 24th February in the Sports Hall

Doors open at 6pm, First race starts 6.30pm

Support your school and enjoy a great family night out!

Adult £2.50 / Children £1.50

Bring your own drink (alcohol in moderation) and snacks
All welcome so invite Children, Grandparents, Friends and Neighbours
You, your family or company can also sponsor a race for only £10 and
win BIG!!!!

Sponsor Name/Reason _____

Tickets will be sold on a first come first served
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!!!!!!

I will require the following tickets:

_____ Adult tickets @ £2.50 each

_____ Child tickets @ £1.50 each

I would like to sponsor a race

Race Sponsorship _____ @ £10.00 per race. Total Amount £ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

Lead Name: _____

Childs Name: _____ Childs Class: _____

Please make cheques payable to PAGWPS. Return to PAGWPS box in office marked Race Night.



Forest School with Essex Wildlife Trust



Abbotts Hall Farm

Drop Off Day

- 9.00am—4.00pm
- Drop off and pick up.
- Must be signed in and out
- £20 per child per session



February Half Term

Tuesday 13th February (over 8's)

****Thursday 15th February (over 5's)****

****Friday 16th February (over 5's)****

****FULLY BOOKED****

Little Foxes

Forest School

Abbotts Hall Farm

- 10.00am—12.00pm
- Under 5's
- £7 per session

February Half Term

Wednesday 14th February
(under 5's)



Tiptree Heath

Family Morning

- 10.00am—12.30pm
- All ages welcome (Adults and under 18 months free)
- £8 per child per session

Drop Off Afternoon

- 1.30pm—4.00pm
- Drop off and pick up
- £10 per child per session

February Half Term

Monday 12th February (family)

Monday 12th February (over 5's)



To book contact:

reception@essexwt.org.uk
or 01621 862960



Facebook—Essex Wildlife Trust—
Forest School and Outdoor Learning



If you want to improve your maths and English skills, ACL Essex offers free courses from beginners to GCSE. You can learn in the classroom at one of our centres, or if online learning is more your thing, that is available too.

If you need a confidence boost with speaking, reading and writing, or perhaps with numbers and calculations then please get in touch.

Call 0345 603 7635 or visit www.aclessex.com

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This week your child has been provided with login details to access MyMaths; a maths website used in the classroom and to support home learning. Also, there are many maths games your child can access freely to develop their understanding of timetables and maths topics.

As MyMaths is a fully online resource you will need nothing but an Internet connection and an up-to-date web browser with inbuilt Flash, or a recent version of Flash installed on your computer. MyMaths will continue to work in older internet browsers but in order to get the best possible learning experience, you will need to upgrade to a more recent version. MyMaths will support the following browsers over the next academic year:

- **Windows**
- IE 11 or above
- Firefox 13.0 or above
- Chrome 21.0 or above
- **Mac:**
- Safari 5.0 or above
- Firefox 13.0 or above
- Chrome 21.0 or above

MyMaths can currently be used on iPad and other tablet devices through the free Puffin Academy app on **iTunes** and **Android**.

What's
on at

COALHOUSE FORT • Park



Cannons at Coalhouse

Make a cannon and build a fort. Will your fort stay standing?

Recommended for ages 5-12

Coalhouse Fort, East Tilbury RM18 8PB

13 & 15 February



Sessions run from 10am-12pm repeating at 1-3pm

Price: £5 per child per session. Accompanying adults go free
Places must be booked in advance

Contact: Thameside Theatre box office on: 0845 300 5264
Or online: Thurrock.gov.uk/events

Please note: Children must be supervised by an adult at all times.
Come dressed for the outdoors!




Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service



**School Nurse
Drop-in service**

No appointment necessary

Are you worried or have concerns
about your child's health?

Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service

We offer support and advice on the following topics and any other health or developmental issues which may be concerning you.

- Continence problems
- Hearing tests
- Weight and dietary issues
- Sleep
- Behaviour
- General health concerns

No appointment necessary

As this is a drop-in clinic we may limit the time to 15 minutes per child at busy times. For more in-depth problems please contact the service directly to speak to a member of the school nurse team.

0300 247 0013

Little Lions Children's Centre
Northwick Park Academy
Third Ave, Canvey Island, SS8 9SU
Phone: 01268 683671
3 - 4pm

30th January
6th February
13th & 27th March

Oak Tree Children's Centre
Grovetown Primary School
Grove Road, Rayleigh, SS6 8UA.
Phone: 01268 775910
3 - 4pm

16th & 30th January
20th February
6th & 20th March

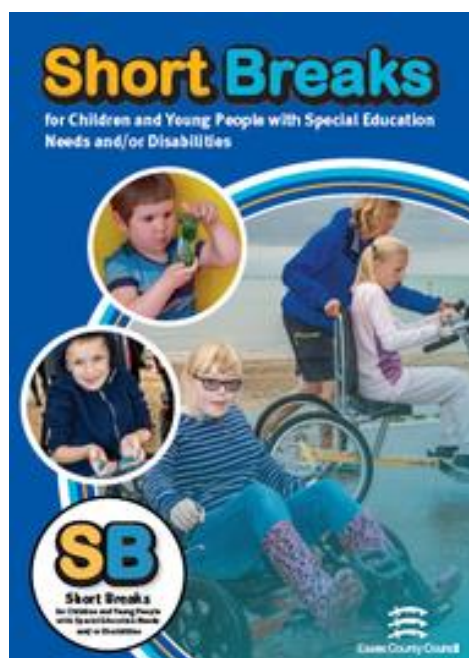
Wishing Well Children's Centre
Waterman Primary School
The Boulevard, Rochford, SS4 1QF.
Phone: 01702 541460
3 - 4pm

17th January
7th February
14th March

Little Hand Prints
Thundersley Primary School
Dark Lane, Thundersley, SS7 3PT
Phone: 01268 753557
3 - 4pm

25th January
22nd February
22nd March

Service to families of eligible children with SEND (or similar)



Essex County Council

Early Years and Childcare



The Essex Short Breaks programme enables children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and their families to join in with safe, entertaining and interesting activities, while allowing family members/carers the opportunity to have a break from their normal caring routine. They also give children and young people the chance to do fun and different activities to help build their confidence and independence. They are open to all children and young people with SEND who:

- Are aged between 0-18 or 19-25 and in receipt of a personal budget
- Have a diagnosis of special educational needs and/or a disability
- Live within the borders of Essex County Council (excluding Southend and Thurrock as they have their own local offer of short breaks)

Visit the Essex Short Breaks website for more information about the range of activities available and to download the new brochure: shortbreaks.essex.gov.uk/. Hard copies of the brochure are also available upon request via email to shortbreaks@essex.gov.uk quoting your name and address. To access Short Breaks services you would need to be registered, this can be completed online via [Register for Short Breaks](#)



Keep up to date with early years and childcare specific information by visiting our dedicated practitioner website. Visit www.essex.gov.uk/earlyyearsandchildcare