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GROVE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Achieving and celebrating success for all......

Newsletter Friday 9th March 2018 (Issue 238)

Stars of the Week!



Blue Class Scarlett-Rose Smith/

Avarie Tribe

Green Class Daniel Wheeler/

Toby Brown

Yellow Class Seren Rodulfo/

Albie Hammond

Jacob Hamer ☆ 1ST

1AS Hannah Lambert

☆ 1JF Isaac Clarke

Noah Marklew

Joseph Collins

☆ 2EL Chloe Bridge

Esme Kinsella

3F/C Connie Sutton/

Jake Pimm

[★] 3KO Layla-Rose Langdon

☆ 4TA Tiyanni Manyika

☆ 4CF Tilly Coates

[★] 4LS Marcus Williams

Reece Bowman

Brayden Bailey

[★] 5HT Sam Ladejo

☆ 6JC Ella Edbrook

☆ 6DP Gavriel Levy

6MB Nathan Dance

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Tuesday 13th March—9.15am Year 2 Maths and English Workshop (no younger siblings please).

★ | Wednesday 14th March—NO OPEN DOOR TO-**☆ | DAY**.

★ Wednesday 14th March—Year 1 visit Rayleigh Library.

 ↑ Thursday 15th March—Year 2 Choir sing at Infant | Music Festival 2018.

Thursday 15th March—Year 6 SATs Information Session in KS2 Hall 3.20pm.

Friday 16th March —Selected children in the Cross Country Finals at the Deanes School.

Date for the diary.....our Growth Mindset Workshop on Tuesday 27th March at 1.45pm.

Fun in the Snow....

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Last week the children had a great time as they took a rare opportunity to play in the snow at school.

Play Leader of the Week—Jack Minney Play Buddy of the Week—Lillie-Ann Dyer

Attendance Stars for last 7 days are

KS1...2CA with 99.5%...

and KS2... 4T/A with a fantastic 100%

WELL DONE!



KEEP UP THE GOOD ATTENDANCE!

The theme of **World Book Day** this year was to share a story. Each class paired up with another class and the children shared stories with each other.



Different adults came to our classes to read a story. We



all dressed up as different book characters and took part in lots of fun book related activities.



Everyone in school took part in DEAR time (drop everything and read) where at the sound of the bell we stopped whatever we were doing and read for a while. It was lots of fun!



Can you spot Wally?....

Parent Questionnaire 2017/18 Your views are extremely important to us and we always welcome feedback. We would therefore appreciate it if you would take the time to complete the brief online questionnaire which can be accessed through the school's website so that we may gather your views.

https://goo.gl/forms/hxb6PKQpJHOFgTGR2

Well Done to Ollie who has raised a fantastic £784 for Havens Hospice by wearing a different Christmas hat every day in December. Ollie wanted to raise money because of his Grandad.



After reading the 'Smartest Giant in Town', Reception enjoyed a walk to the local clothes bank to recycle some of their old clothes.



On the way we also looked for signs of Spring, which was challenging after last week's snow.

Thinking of trying a new sport?... See our club links

<u>Garons Park Golf Club</u> <u>Tel:</u> 01702 601701 <u>Website: http://www.garonparkgolf.co.uk/</u>

Rayleigh Town Archery Club Tel: 07860

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Website: http://

www.rayleightownarcheryclub.com/

Astrodome

Year 2 had a wonderful time last week in the where the children learnt all about Space



and Under the sea! The children were amazed at all of the fascinating images and learnt lots of new knowledge. They were engaged throughout the session and very much enjoyed a different learning experience.

Egg-cellent Easter Hat Competition 2018!

Grove Wood children are once again invited to join in our Egg-citing Easter hat competition! Your hat/bonnet needs to be based on the theme of Easter but can be made from whatever craft materials you like - the more Egg-streme and Egg-stravagant the better!

Eggs-tra Challenges!

How tall or wide can you make it?

Can you make everything 'from scratch'??

Can it have moving parts??

PRIZES GALORE for the most Egg-ceptional headwear!

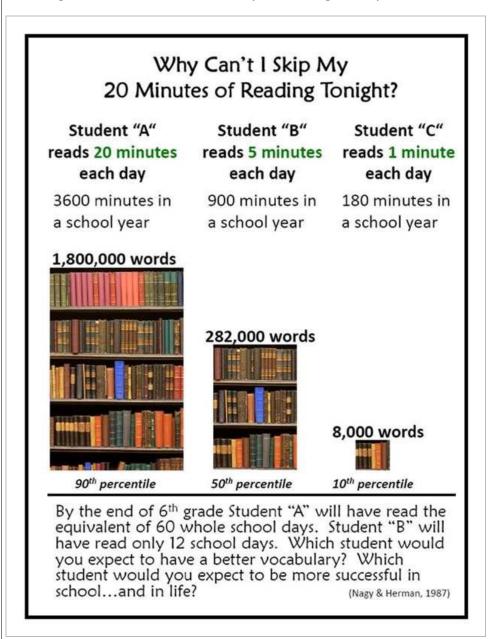
Please bring your creations into school during the last week of this term - judging will take place on Wednesday 28th March and the entries will be displayed in school.



Reading: Why Are Those 20 Minutes a Day So Important?

All of us with school-age children know it's important to read daily. Many schools and teachers use reading logs and rewards to encourage kids to read. But why are those twenty minutes of daily reading so important?

Read 20 Minutes a Day for Happy, Healthy Minds. We know- with busy schedules and other priorities, it's hard to get in 20 minutes. But why is reading so important?



20 minutes a day = 3,600 minutes in a school year = 1,800,000 words = better vocabulary = better writing = higher success and it goes on and on

Now let's get to our hands on tips to help get those 20 minutes in:

- Keep a few books in the car for "waiting around times" or for ease of grabbing as you're dashing off.
- Instead of reading before bedtime when kids (and parents) are tired, try reading together at a different time of day (and get a little extra "mommy time" in too!)
- Have different types of books around that fit different lengths of time you/your child may have: story/chapter book, book with CD (younger kids), a kid's magazine, fact books/world record books.



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Welcome to Mapac!

We are delighted to be working with your school who have entrusted us with providing your children's school uniform.

1. HOW TO ORDER

- Visit www.mapac.com/education/parents or search online for 'Mapac find your school'.
- Once on your dedicated school page, simply add everything you need to your basket, register (if you haven't already) and then check out. (See the 3 steps below)



2. ORDERING GUIDE

Our aim is that all orders are sent out within 10 working days. During the busy summer period, it can take a little longer. Please allow us some extra time to get your order to you.

Delivery Option	Delivery Charge
Delivery to your home year round	Free - over £50
belivery to your name year round	£3.95 - under £50

Summer Break ** Jg receive your order before the start of term **

Order Deadline	Delivery Option	Delivery Charge
Before 3rd August 2018	Delivery to your name	Free - over £50
		£3.95 - under £50

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to call or email us. We are happy to help!



Parentalk is about helping mums and dads do the best job they can

Covers essential topics for parents

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Thursdays 9.30-11.30am

22nd February;

1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th March

Parish Centre

No cost

cara.parker@parishofrayleigh.org.uk



parishofrayleigh www.careforthefamily.org.uk







GET CREATIVE WITH

Orchestral Day!

Are you learning an orchestral instrument?

Would you like to play in an orchestra?

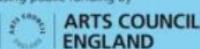
Come and work with top professionals from the BBC Symphony Orchestra

Thursday 12th April 2018
9:30am - 4:30pm
St. Mary's Prittlewell C of E Primary School,
Boston Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, \$52.6JH

To book visit
www.musiconsea.co.uk

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The Deanes Sports Camp

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The Deanes School Sports Centre

Daws Heath Road, Thundersley, SS7 2TD

Early Club (Optional) > 8=10am (£4)
Main Activity > 10=8pm (£15)
After Activity Club > 8=0pm (£6)

Activities are coached by highly qualified School Sport Professionals.

Full itinerary of activities provided on the back page of this leaflet.

10% Discount for all sibling bookings.

For more information & to book/pay please visit - www.deanessportscentre.com

Centre Opening Hours

Monday-Friday — 2:40pm

Weekends — 8:6pm

Confect Informations

Tel: 01263741162

E-mail—thedeanessportscentre@outlook.com
Website—www.deanessportscentre.com





The Deanes Sports Centre Daws Heath Road • Thundersley Essex • SS7 2TD

General Manager- Samuel Wood Tel: 0126874 [162] Email: dscmanager@outlook.com

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Deanes Lawn Tennis Centre - Free Open Day

I would like to invite your son/daughter to attend a "free" open day tennis session at Deanes LTC delivered by our fully qualified coaches.

There are two sessions available details of which are below.

Session 1	Sunday 25 th March	10.00am-10.45am
Session 2	Sunday 25 th March	11.00-11.45am

To reserve a session please email the deanest to @outlook.com and provide the following details.

- Session 1 or Session 2
- Name of child
- Date of birth
- 4. Medical Conditions
- Emergency contact number
- 6. Name of school

There are limited spaces on these sessions and therefore if you are interested in your son/daughter taking part, please contact me before 23rd March.

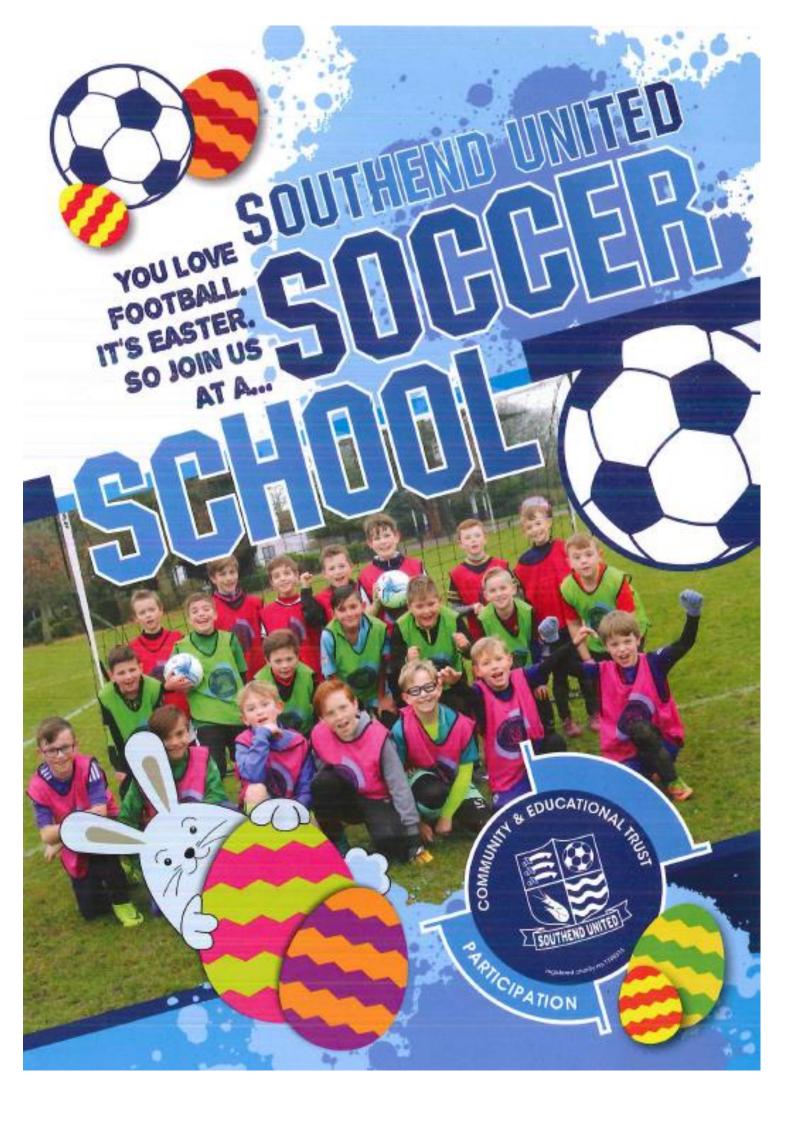
Your son/daughter will not need any equipment as we will provide this on the day. However, they will need to wear appropriate clothing/footwear for tennis.

Once you have requested your session I will email confirmation. If the session you have requested is fully booked, I will offer you an alternate.

Please do not he sitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

Will Roberts Deanes LTC Tennis Co-ordinator





This week your child has been provided with login details to access <u>MyMaths</u>; 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

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





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

30th January 6th February 13th & 27th March Oak Tree Children's Centre Grovewood Primary School Grove Road, Rayleigh, SS6 8UA. Phone: 01268 775910

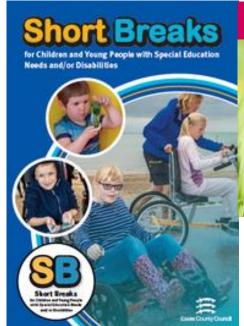
16th & 30th January 20th February 6th & 20th March Wishing Well Children's Centre Waterman Primary School The Boulevard, Rochford, SS4 1QF. Phone: 01702 541460 3 - 4pm

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)





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 bro-

chure: 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. Vis-

it www.essex.gov.uk/earlyyearsandchildcare