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We were delighted to be able to share the outcomes and report from our recent Ofsted Inspection earlier this week. We have received tremendous congratulations from many parents, Governors and from the Local Authority as well. The process was rigorous and intense, however, as we had been expecting a visit for a long time, we were ready and prepared. Our school was showcased during the Inspection in the same way as it is showcased each and every day.

With such successful judgements confirmed, we can now all enjoy the busy run up to Christmas. We are very much looking forward to watching our EYFS pupils perform in their nativity next week and then our Year 2 performance the following week.

I very much look forward to seeing you all at the Friends Christmas Fayre next Thursday afternoon.

As this will be the last newsletter this term, please may I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

Best wishes,
Mrs Natasha Robson
Headteacher



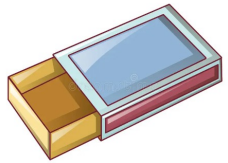
Matchbox Challenge - Maths Dive In Deeper Day

On Friday 13th December we have organised a whole school Maths Dive In Deeper Day where we will be participating in a range of maths-based activities across the school. To launch this ALL children will be participating in our Matchbox Challenge. The idea of the Matchbox Challenge is to see how many different things can be put into the matchbox your child has been given.

The Rules are:

- Each object you put in your match box has to be different—**no duplicates!**
- **Same object** but different colour will **not be allowed.**
- Write your **name on the front** of the matchbox.
- Once you have filled your box write the **amount on the back** (this will be checked!).

Matchboxes will be given to the children today to bring home. Remember to bring your matchbox back to school on or before Friday 13th December.



Thank you for encouraging your child in this challenge.

Spring Term After School Clubs

Details of all the after school clubs on offer from January were sent out last Friday. These include sports, choir, hip hop, Lego Robotics, mindfulness and theatre school. Forms and further details can be found outside the school office.



Primary School Admissions

The primary school (Reception) admission round is now open for parents of children due to start school in September 2025 to apply for a Reception school place. The statutory national closing date for applications is 15th January 2025.

Applications can be made online via;
www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

All of the application information is available on the website. The website also has a copy of the Primary Education in Essex 2025-26 booklet and the Schools Admissions Policies Directories contain details of all admission policies.

Dinner Menu Rotation

Week commencing 09/12/24: Autumn Term Menu 2
Week commencing 16/12/24: Autumn Term Menu 3
Orders for the above weeks have now closed.

Recent Letters And Communications

- Headlice
- Child Illness and Medication
- Christmas Jumper Day now 12th December
- WakeUp Wednesday - Mental Health and Wellbeing Apps
- Ofsted Report and Letter from Mrs Robson
- After School Clubs - Spring Term 2025
- Sports Clubs - Spring Term 2025
- Year 1 - PSHE
- Macbeth Performance
- Costumes for Macbeth
- Year 5 Residential Meeting
- Online Safety Information
- Further information about events in December
- Young Carers Information
- Year 6 Leavers Hoodies
- Year 5 Planetarium Visit
- Friends of Chipping Hill Primary School - Raffle Tickets



Community Information

Information regarding the following has been included in the community section of our school website, please take a look if you would like further information. These are all third party events/information, not endorsed by the school, but they may be of interest to you.

- Essex Library Service - Winter Reading Challenge
- Helen Rollason Cancer Charity - Christmas Tree Recycling Service

Medicines at School

All medicines should be bought to the school office where parents or carers will be asked to complete a form.

Only prescribed medicines needing 4 or more doses per day will be given at school. Medicines requiring 3 doses should be given at home – at breakfast time, after school and at bedtime (the only exception would be if a child was attending Super Supper Club, one dose would be administered after school).

The school is unable to administer any non-prescribed medicines unless it has been discussed and agreed with the School Office.



Events Diary

If there are any changes to the dates listed, we will notify you as soon as possible.

Please note the Christmas Jumper Day has now moved to 12th December, the same day as Christmas Dinner.

06.12.24: Year 6 Performance in KS2 Hall, Condors at 1.30pm and Falcons at 2.30pm

09.12.24: Friends of Chipping Hill School Rainbow Tombola Jars deadline to hand in to classes

09.12.24: Choir singing at Parkview Care Home

10.12.24: EYFS Nativity at 10am in KS2 Hall

10.12.24: iRock Concert at 2.30pm in KS2 Hall

11.12.24: EYFS Nativity at 2pm in KS2 Hall

12.12.24: Christmas Jumper and Dinner Day

12.12.24: Friends of Chipping Hill School Christmas Fayre from 3.30pm to 5pm

17.12.24: Year 4 Trip to Elf The Musical

18.12.24: Year 2 Christmas Performance at 2pm and 6pm in KS2 Hall

20.12.24: Non Pupil Day

06.01.25: Start of Spring Term

09.01.25: New Intake Tour at 10am

Further information to follow regarding the events below

14.01.25: Maths Workshop for Parents in KS2 Hall

KS1 at 2.45pm and KS2 at 8.45am

15.01.25: Road Safety Presentation to Wrens class and parents in KS2 Hall at 2.15pm

22.01.25: Road Safety Presentation to Robins class and parents in KS2 Hall at 2.15pm

30.01.25: Progress for Years 1 to 6 in classrooms at 2.50pm

31.01.25: Year 5 WonderDome Planetarium Visit

04.02.25: Face to Face Parent Evening

06.02.25: Face to Face Parent Evening

07.02.25: Year 4 Forest School

11.02.25: EYFS Learning Journey Afternoon

12.02.25: Year 3 Class Presentations to Parents

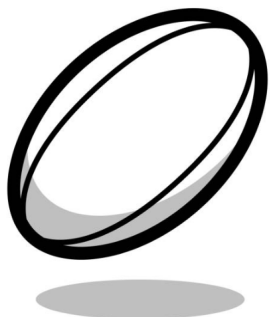
17.02.25 to 21.02.25: Half Term

24.02.25: Non Pupil Day



Tag Rugby Competition

Well done to the Year 5 and 6 girls and boys who took part in the Tag Rugby Competition last Friday at Witham Rugby Club. There were twelve schools taking part and Chipping Hill Primary School came 4th overall. They represented the school excellently.



Reminders

Year 5 WonderDome Planetarium: Please ensure permission and payment is received in school by Tuesday 28th January. This can be done online via Scopay or by returning the slip and payment to the school office.

Year 4 Trip to Elf the Musical: Please ensure permission and payment is received in school by Tuesday 10th December. This can be done online via Scopay or by returning the slip and payment to the school office.

Outstanding balances: Please ensure all outstanding balances are cleared by the end of term. This includes payments owing for Wide Awake Club, Super Supper Club, school dinners and trips.

If there are any problems making payments please speak to the office. Thank you.



Autumn Term Clubs

Please ensure you keep a note of the dates and finishing times of any clubs your child attends.

MONDAYS:

Choir (Years 1 - 6): From 23rd September to 9th December, finishing at 4.15pm (£40)

KS1 Multisports (Years 1 & 2): From 4th November to 16th December, finishing at 4.30pm (£35)

KS2 Girls Football (Years 3 - 6): From 4th November to 16th December, finishing at 4.15pm

TUESDAYS:

Tennis (Years 1 - 6): From 10th September to 17th December, finishing at 4.05pm (£70)

Netball (Years 4, 5 & 6): From 5th November to 17th December, finishing at 4.15pm

KS1 Football (Years 1 & 2): From 5th November to 17th December, finishing at 4.30pm (£35)

WEDNESDAYS:

Early Morning Fitness (Years 1 - 6): From 6th November to 18th December (7.45am-8.35am)

Boys Football (Years 5 & 6): From 6th November to 18th December, finishing at 4.30pm (£35)

Hip Hop (Years 3 - 6): From 6th November to 18th December, finishing at 4.15pm (£35)

KS2 Ball Games (Years 3 - 6): From 6th November to 18th December, finishing at 4.15pm

THURSDAYS:

Hip Hop (Years 1 - 2): From 7th November to 19th December, finishing at 4.15pm (£35)

KS2 Multi Sports (Years 3 - 6): From 7th November to 12th December, finishing at 4.30pm (£30)

Boys Football (Years 3 & 4): From 7th November to 12th December, finishing at 4.15pm

FRIDAYS:

Girls Basketball (Years 2 - 6): From 20th September to 13th December, finishing at 4.15pm (£55)

KS2 Running Club (Years 3 - 6): From 8th November to 13th December, finishing at 4.15pm

