



NEWSLETTER

January 27th 2023 no.16

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please ensure that you have read the information from us regarding the teacher strike that is due to take place on Wednesday 1st February as it will give you all the details you need about whether your child's class is open on that day.

We have had a number of parents raise concerns about the dogs that are in the park whilst parents are bringing children into school. As dogs are strictly prohibited from the school premises, please ensure that you leave the dog with a responsible adult who is able to control the animal and not in the care of a child. School staff will not take responsibility for any animals in the park area.

The Dangerous Dogs Act 1991, section 3 states: *'Owners (or the person in charge of the dog at the time) who allow their pets to hurt a person, face punishments of up to three years in prison for injury, or 14 years for death, an unlimited fine, disqualification from owning pets and having their dog destroyed. It's also an offence to allow a dog to injure a registered assistance dog.'*

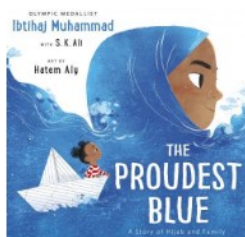
In cases where no injury is caused, owners can still go to prison for six months, be fined up to £5,000, be banned from owning pets and have their dog destroyed.'

We know that the animals in question are much loved pets but we have a number of children who have had bad experiences and are terrified of dogs. Please do all that you can to prevent any risk of hurt to both adults and children. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

It was great seeing the children dressed up today; our children have a great number of different aspirations which is fantastic. We will continue to develop aspirations week so that pupils can continue to experience the wide range of opportunities that can be open to them in the future.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Bray



Why not read

The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad and S.K. Ali

A powerful, vibrantly illustrated story exploring the themes of family, being proud of our identity and what makes us different.

Listen to the story here : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YLFzDfVuWUA>

Congratulations! Well done for their effort and resilience

A reminder that each week a pupil is selected by the class teacher as a star learner, possibly a pupil who has demonstrated the Co-op values across the week in their learning and been a positive role model to the other pupils in the class.



KS1 stars went to:

RH – Kayden B
RJ – Jenson W
RJO – Stefania A
RM – Fabian K
1L – Arman M
1SU – Elijah L
1P – Diyana A
1S – Carter-Jay S
2C – Erika D
2W – Olivia W
2N – Amlafung L
2JV – Bart M

KS2 stars went to:

3L – Arwah A
3M – Zayaan H
3RS – Amrit D
3R – Abdullah R
4W – Harry James PS
4M – Matas S
4A – David E
4MS – Romany R
Footsteps 1 – Riley K

5P – Emily B
5A – Rekha P
5C – Charlie E
5CH – Ava M
6B – Drake L
6S – Lacry B
6R – Alisa G
6O – John A
Footsteps 2 – Isabella M

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Dates for your diary



	Date	Year Group	Event
February	1.2.2023	As indicated on your letters	NEU teacher's strike
	1.2.2023	Reception	Reception Screening
	1.2.2023	Year 5	3:30 p.m. Parent meeting – Relationship Education
	2.2.2023	Reception	Reception Screening
	2.2.2023 & 3.2.23	Reception	Trip to Chelmsford Toy Museum
	3.2.2023	KS2	Swimming Gala @ Blackshots
	6.2.2023	Reception	Reception Screening
	7.2.2023	Reception	Reception Screening
	7.2.2023	Year 1 1L - Elm 1Su - Oak	Parent sharing assembly
	7.2.2023	Year 6	3:45 p.m. SATs information meeting for parents
	9.2.2023	Reception	Reception Screening
	13.2.2023 – 17.2.2023	Whole School	HALF TERM
	22.2.2023	Whole School	Royal Institute of Science visit to school
March	1.3.2023	TBC	NEU teacher's strike
	7.3.2023	2N – Elm 2JV – Oak	Class Assemblies
	15.3.2023 & 16.3.2023	TBC	NEU teacher's strike
	17.3.2023	TBC	Sports Hall Athletics @ William Edwards School
	21.3.2023	3L – Elm 3RS – Oak	Class Assembly
	24.3.2023	Year 3/4	Sports Hall Athletics @ Basildon
	28.3.2023	4W – Elm 4M – Oak	Class Assembly
	31.3.2023	Whole School	Non-Pupil Day
April	3.4.2023 – 14.3.2023	Whole School	EASTER HOLIDAYS

Dinner Menu





Due to strikes on Wednesday 1st February, the dinner menu will be changed and dinners available in school on that day will be a packed lunch grab bag. Choices are tuna, cheese and ham .

If your child is entitled to free school meals and their class is closed on Wednesday, you will be issued with an Edenred voucher for that day via your emails. The menu for the rest of the week will remain as published.

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School Rewards

Teams	Emerald 	Ruby 	Sapphire 	Diamond 
Dojo points earned this week	1403	1559	1550	1551
Total Dojo points this term so far	20,007	20949	20743	19824
Parise cards awarded this week	28			
Total praise cards awarded this academic year	309			



Attendance

Holidays are not permitted during term time and will on most occasions end up with both parents being fined.

This week the Attendance Awards have been awarded to:

Year 1 & 2	1P	97%	Miss Palmer
Year 3 & 4	4A	97%	Miss Ahmed
Year 5 & 6	5A	99%	Mrs Armitt
Whole School attendance		92.6%	

Sports Star of the Week

Year 1 – Ashvikkan K, Mona-Lisa D, Liam P, Mike H, Ela H, Nefeli R, Emma G & Aiden S
 Year 2 – Mia Z, Amanoor R, Raian P, Kevin B, Isaiah A, Favour L, Owen L & Tomas K
 Year 3 – Hunter K, Ellie-May H, Alexander A, Arwah A, Tautvilas J, Obaloluwa O, Jacob N & Isabela D
 Year 4 – Teddie B, Laura R, Lexie-Lou L, Edward R, Aahil A, Dimitrios F, Kiera-Mae D & Diya P
 Year 5 – Jack R, Nivrit D, Emily B, Ana T, Ben A, Carey M, Ava M & Gurnoor K
 Year 6 – Jorian B, Rhys D, Paige M, Summer W, Toluwalase A, Justin C, Esiri S & Christabel A



Parenting Advice Sessions



Thameside Primary School

How do you feel about being a parent/carer?

Are there parts of parenting you find challenging? Do you feel like you are struggling and no-one understands?

Please express your interest in by registering for our parent advice sessions on the following link:

<https://forms.gle/yz4azxHL9RW1TRiE7>

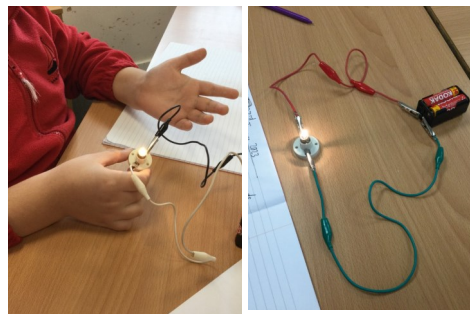
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Going on around school.....

Year 6

In science this week, Year 6 created simple circuits in small groups and recorded their learning by drawing accurate diagrams using electrical symbols. They then wrote a few sentences to explain what they had observed.

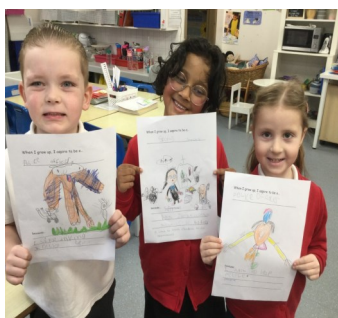


Reception

Reception have been learning about Chinese New Year this week. We have created a Chinese Dragon collage, tasted Chinese food and even taken part in a Chinese Dragon dance.

Year 1

The children in Year 1 have been talking and writing about their aspirations!



Year 3

Year 3 have been using clay to make a pot using the techniques used in the Stone Age. We were inspired by The Beaker People who we have studied.



Year 4

In Art, Year 4 enjoyed creating an atmospheric perspective using a range of techniques including cross-hatching and colour building.



Year 5

As part of our learning in Maths in Year 5, we took part in an 'Escape the room' challenge to develop our knowledge about multiplying unit and non-unit fractions by an integer. We completed a range of fluency and reasoning challenges to solve the combination and escape the room. We enjoyed our Maths lesson.



Nursery

The children are beginning to understand there are different countries in the world and to talk about the differences they have experienced. This week we looked at the Chinese New Year and how they celebrate. The children learnt how to send good luck messages for the new year ahead.



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Young Voices Concert at the O2

We were incredibly proud of our school choir who performed with 9000 other children at the O2 on Monday. It was a fantastic day, everyone behaved impeccably and the singing was fantastic! Well done everyone who attended and thank you to those parents who were able to come and support our young people.



Thurrock and the Floods



Museum Volunteers' Free Exhibition

28 Jan - 9 Feb

Explore the local impact of the 1953 floods. Interactive. Suitable for all ages.

Event Saturday 28 Jan

Family Activities: Find out about the floods. Make & race a boat!

1 hour activities starting 10, 11.30 & 1. Tickets £3.15 per child (1 adult free, extra adults £1)

Talk: 'The Perfect Storm' 3.30 to 4.45 Tickets £4.15 per person

Book now to avoid disappointment! Call: 0345 300 5264 or

online: Shows (thamesidetheatre.com)



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