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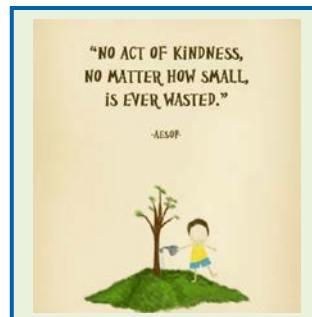
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Remembrance

The whole school braved the weather on Monday morning, and gathered at the remembrance trees on the recreation ground to take a minute's silence to remember all those who have fallen or suffered in conflict, and their families. Year Six gave us some beautiful readings, and we heard the names of all those from Rowhedge who died in the First and Second World Wars. Foundation Stage even made their very own poppies and wore them with pride during the service.



FS shared their class story 'We're going on a bear hunt', acting out scenes from it and writing story maps. They have also been looking at 2D shapes

Orange class have been reading Penguin Small this week, and have been looking for signs of the lost penguin all around the school. It was eventually found in a freezer!

As part of their learning about the great fire of London, and its beginnings in a bakery, they made their own bread this week. They then wrote instructions on how to bake.

Year 3 have been using exchanges in three digit subtractions this week, and practicing their four times tables. They have also worked hard in music on recorders

Year 4 have made observation drawings of themselves in art this week. They really thought about their unique facial features, and what makes them special.

Year 5 have been using persuasive language in their writing this week, as well as making science experiments dissolving sugar and salt in hot and cold water.

This week Year 6 had fun practicing laughing yoga. They took in deep breaths, and laughed as much as they could on an outward breath, to increase energy and positivity.



If you could live in a world where countries were different types of stories, which country would you live in? By Archie in Year 6

KS1 Winning Answer by Isabella in Year 2

I would like to sail the ocean and find a special island like Moana and the sea creature

Winning KS2 Answer by Megan in Year 5

I would live in a fantasy world because you don't know what's lurking around the corner. It could easily be a pretty princess or a five headed monster

Headteacher Awards

Lily, Izzy, Rylee and Connor in Year 2; Hayden and Elijah in Year 3

Tomorrow is NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY in aid of children in need. Please just donate whatever you can afford.

Whole school attendance this week: 96.58%

| | Foundation Stage | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|------------|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Percentage | 97.52% | 100% | 92.86% | 92.38% | 100% | 97.96% | 95.07% |
| Absences | 8 | 0 | 14 | 16 | 0 | 4 | 10 |
| Lateness | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 5 |

Foundation Stage Admissions 2020

As you may be aware, the primary school (Foundation Stage) admission round opened on **11 November 2019**, for parents of children to apply for a Foundation Stage school place for the academic year that starts in September 2020.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15th January 2020**.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. This website also has a copy of the Primary Education in Essex 2020/21 booklet and the Schools Admissions Policies Directories contain details of all admission policies.

Letters are no longer sent to parents about making an application, therefore if you know anyone with children due to start school next September, please send them a copy of this newsletter as a reminder.

Christmas Film

Festive Film Afternoon with The Polar Express

Saturday 7th December 3pm-5pm

The PTA will be running a special film afternoon in December. The cost to attend will be £2 per child to cover refreshments. Tickets will be available to buy in the playground after school as well as in the office, week beginning Monday 18th November.

Please note an adult must accompany all children



Internet Safety

Thank you so much to all the children for their honesty and engagement during our visit from The Two Johns. Thank you also to the parents who came along to the evening. We hope you got as much out of it as we did. There are loads of resources on their website, as well as advice on gaming; social media; live streaming; influencers; screen time; and guidance of setting parental controls. Far from advocating against screen time, they promote caregivers slowly and carefully introducing children to the games and apps they WILL be using; alerting them to what 'weird' looks like; and keeping good lines of communication open. It is all about preparing them for life as it is today, rather than as it was when we were children. Head over to <https://www.esafetytraining.org/> for a whole host of important information.



St Lawrence Primary School are **TAKING OVER** junior parkrun on **Sunday 24th November 2019**

Come and support your school at Colchester junior parkrun for a FREE timed 2km fun run. Let's get as many St Lawrence pupils as we can running, hopping, skipping or walking the course. Children can wear their school tops so we can make a sea of yellow!

Run briefing at 8:50am at Old Heath Recreation Ground!

Can you help too? Volunteer to be part of the cheer squad. Speak to Nelly in the office for more information.



www.parkrun.org.uk/colchester-juniors

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If your personal details have changed, or you would like to update the consents we hold for you, please notify us in writing.