

# NEWSLETTER

Attendance  
97.3%

[Winter Menu Week 1 this week](#)

No 19 January 25<sup>th</sup> 2018

## Key Dates

<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan</b>	Clubs restart	<b>Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	5M class assembly
<b>12/2/18-16/2/18</b>	Half term	<b>Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Non-pupil Day 4
<b>Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Chinese New Year activity week		
<b>Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Mar</b>	World Book day 4CK class assembly		
<b>Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Visit from Vicky Ford MP	<b>Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	3HM class assembly
<b>Weds 28<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Y5-led Easter Concert at Church of Our Saviour		
<b>Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Last day of Spring Term	<b>Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	First day of Summer term
<b>Mon 7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bank Holiday Monday	<b>Tues 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Y3-Y5 assessment week
<b>Mon 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	KS2 SATs week	<b>21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	Y5 Mersea visit
<b>Fri 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Non-pupil Day 5		

Eye-Cookie by  
William  
Edwards Y3



## Clubs Update

Our clubs began this week for the Spring Term. Please ensure that you have updated the office if your child no longer wants to be part of a club so that we may offer that space to someone else.

Please note: **we endeavour to never cancel clubs - even if it is raining!** This is so parents can confidently plan childcare arrangements. We will always aim to implement an alternative level of provision and the children remain in our care until the scheduled finish at 4:15pm. **There is no need to contact the school to check if clubs are still on.** Also, there have been a few occasions where well-meaning parents have tried to pick up other parents' children when this alternative provision is offered. This really does compromise our responsibility to look after your children safely. Please allow the school to deal with parents directly until our duty of care has been fully passed across.

## Schoolgames Update

### Sports Hall Heat Finals.



Our indoor athletics team finished a very creditable 4<sup>th</sup> place out of the eight Chelmsford finalists schools on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January. The event was really well supported and the children, again, were a credit to the school.

Well done to Mrs Vickers for her preparation and management of the event.

### Office Chair Offer



We have recently upgraded our seating in the ICT Suite but still have a number of good quality, fabric, junior-sized, height-adjustable office chairs available. Local schools do not need these so we are offering them out to parents in return for a small donation. If you are interested, please contact the school office.

### Job Vacancies

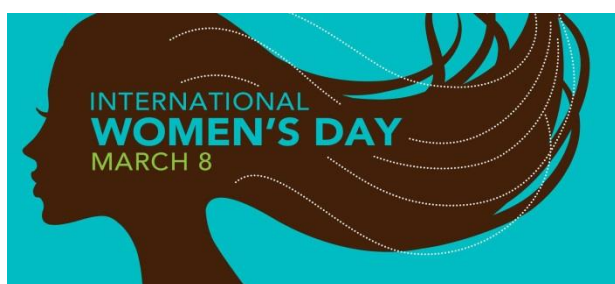
We are currently advertising for two part-time office-based roles and one part-time learning assistant at our school. If you are interested or know of anyone with experience of school finance or supporting teaching and learning, please visit

[www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk](http://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk)

### **Local MP to visit school on International Women's Day, Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March**

We are pleased to announce that we will be receiving a visit to school from our local MP, Vicky Ford. She has been invited to attend on International Women's Day in order to recognise 2018 being the centenary when women in the UK won the right to vote. Observing this significant occasion is part of our wider commemoration of the centenary of the end of World War 1, which will be recognised in several ways this calendar year.

Mrs Ford will be meeting the whole school in an assembly and give a brief talk about her work as an MP, both at parliament and in the constituency. She will also answer some prepared questions from our pupils. After the assembly, she will be opening our new 'mile a day' track which is being laid in our grounds after half term. This is a new resource which will be used by classes most days in an effort to encourage and increase the amount of physical activity undertaken by our pupils.



### **School Health and Well-Being survey**

Attached to this newsletter is an information letter for all parents of Y4-Y6 children on our participation in the Essex annual School health and Well-being (SHEU) survey. This is a really important opportunity for us to ensure that we are as knowledgeable as we can be about the needs of our young people when teaching PSHE.

### **Annual Interfaith Event invitation**

Also attached is an invitation to a forthcoming interfaith event organised by the local Shia Muslim community of Essex on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February in Galleywood.

### **Train to Teach event**

Please find attached a flyer for a Train to Teach Event which will be held on 21st February 2018 where CTTC, Essex Primary SCITT and MEITT will be represented. The event will take place between 16.00 - 19.00 at Colchester County High School for Girls.