

# NEWSLETTER

Current Attendance:  
97.7%

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## Star of the Week Hall of Fame



Friday 14th October 2016

6MS Sophie Geddes  
6C Amber Wilson  
6S Varshnie Sriharan  
5M Jake Maton  
5V Amy Schreiber  
5C Freya Howlett  
4P Lily Harrington  
4S Sophie Marsland  
4CK Joseph Jacobs  
3S Jonathan Aberly  
3HM Beatrice Bardell  
3B Madison Parkinson  
Mid-day Emeilia Pratley

## Playtime Success follows Investment

The recent 'upgrades' for managing the children's breaktimes have met with real success. Money raised last year by parents and pupils have helped fund our new 'Arena' (Multi-use games area) as well as additional storage for lots of new play equipment. Thank you all for this support. Since the end of September, all pupils have been able to use the Arena, field and football area on a regular basis while listening to broadcasts from our pupil-run radio station. The pupils tell me they really enjoy the changes and it has been wonderful to walk around at lunchtime and see the children so busy and happy.

## BFJS continues to improve

The Governors have requested that I attach a letter from Clare Kershaw, the Director of Commissioning, Education and Lifelong Learning at Essex County Council in which she states "The LA is confident that the school has demonstrated progress towards the areas for improvement identified. This has been evidenced by improvement and development of a strengthened governing body following clarification of expectations and support provided." This supports the school's view that we are rapidly improving.

## Book Fair comes to town

The Book Fair will be available in the Barn on Friday 11th November and again in the Hall on Monday 14th November after school as well as at the Winter Bazaar.



## SAVE THE DATE! Winter Bazaar Saturday 12th Nov 2pm-4pm

Our popular 5th Winter Bazaar will open its doors next weekend with lots of stalls available to cater for your every need at this time of year. Please support both schools by attending as well as finding that bargain or gift you have been looking for.



## Lost Property

We currently have a large amount of unclaimed, unnamed clothing and other items being stored at school and this has been laid out this week at the entrance to make it easier for parents to retrieve lost articles. It will be left out until the end of the day on Friday 4th November and anything left will be disposed of – please take this opportunity to find any lost property. Last year, one of our Year 6 parents kindly offered to wash and dry good quality school uniform items so that they could be sold on a second hand stall at PTA events and if there are any parents who would be willing to do this, please let the office know.



Poppies will be on sale on behalf of the Royal British Legion from Monday 7th November with a suggested donation of £1. We will also be observing a 2 minute silence at 11:00am on Friday 11th November in the playground.



## 1 ticket left for Oliver!

Priced at £13.50, there is one child ticket available to view this production at the Civic Theatre on Wednesday 9th November. Children need to be dropped off at the theatre but will be supervised by teaching staff throughout the performance. Please contact the office if you are interested.

## Key Dates

**Friday 4th November** Individual pupil photographs

**Thurs 10th Nov** 5V Class Assembly 9:15am

**Sat 12th Nov** PTA Winter Bazaar 2pm-4pm

**Fri 18th Nov** Children in Need 'Onesie' Day

**Fri 2nd Dec** Clubs finish this week.

**Mon 5th Dec** Flu immunisations

**Sat 10th Dec** PTA Christmas Craft Morning

**Weds 14th Dec** 2pm - Y3 Christmas Performance; Y4 at 7pm

**Thurs 15th Dec** 2pm - Y4 Christmas Performance; Y3 at 7pm

**Tues 20th Dec** Christmas Lunch available for pupils

**Wed 21st Dec** Last day of Autumn Term

**Thurs 5th Jan and Fri 6th Jan** Non-Pupil Days 2 + 3

**Mon 9th Jan 2017** 1st Day of Spring Term

**Mon 16th Jan 2017** Clubs re-start

**Fri 10th Feb 2017** Non-Pupil day 4

**Mon 20th—Fri 24th Feb** Parent Consultations + No Clubs

**3rd/4th/5th April** Y6 Easter Booster School