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Diary Dates



7th October – Year 5 Bikeability & Flu Immunisations

8th October - Year 5 Bikeability

9th October - Year 5 Bikeability

10th October - Year 5 Bikeability

IIth October – Year 5 Bikeability

15th October - Year 5/6 Mass 9.30am

18th October – Year 5&6 Young Shakespeare

21st October – Year 1 Indian Dance Workshop & Year 3 Cooking Week

23rd October – Year 4 Altru Drama Day & PSA Second-hand uniform & Cake Sale 3.15pm

24th October – School Disco, Infants 3.30 – 4.15pm & Juniors 4.45 – 5.45pm

25th October – Harvest Assembly 9am

28th October – Ist November – Half Term

4th November – Pret-a-Portrairt, Individual & Sibling Photos. & Year 4 Cooking week

5th November – Year 3 Cambridge Museum & Clothing Collection

6th November – Reception Builders Day & Parents' Evening 5.30pm – 8.30pm

8th November - Break the Rules Day

11th November – Year 6 Cooking

13th November – Year 5 Saffron Walden Museum & Year 6 Tea Concert 2pm

14th November – Parents' Evening 4pm – 7pm

18th November – Year 5 Cooking Week

19th November – Year 6 to Genome Campus

20th November – Year 6 Victorian Dav

28th November – Wreath Making 7pm

Lunch

w/c 7th October Week 2

Please pay lunches on School Money - £2.40 per day

Swimming

7th October - Year 4&6

8th October - Year 2

Reminder - Birthday Treats

Please ensure any birthday treats you send in are free from nuts. Some of the 'free from' products may be gluten/dairy free but still contain nuts.

Reminder - Inhalers

If your child uses an Inhaler please make sure there is one in school at all times.

Flu Immunisations – Monday 7th October

Reminder – Monday 7th October the Immunisations Team will be in coming into school for the Flu vaccinations. If you would like your child to receive the vaccination please ensure you have completed the form via this link. https://forms.office.com/e/EvEh5m33kF

Harvest Festival Assembly - Friday 25th October at 9am

On Friday the 25th October, Year 2 will be leading our Harvest assembly. All children in the school will be invited to take part by donating one food item (see below) that we will distribute as a school to the local food bank. We will start collecting from next week. Thanks so much for your continued support and help.

If you are able to donate, please send in one item from the following:

Reception - Tinned Fruit, Tinned Rice Pudding & Custard

Year 1 – Fruit Squash, Tinned Potatoes & Instant Mash

Year 2 – Long Life Juice, Tinned Vegetables & Toothpaste (Adult & Child)

Year 3 – Tinned Meat & Fish, Cooking & Pasta Sauces

Year 4 – Rice (Inc. Microwave rice), Noodles & Toilet Rolls

Year 5 – Cereal, Oats & Sanitary Items

Year 6 – Tinned Pasta (Ravioli), Shampoo & Soap

Secondary School Admissions for September 2025

Secondary school admission round opened on Thursday, 12 September 2024, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2025.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2024.

Applications can be made online

via www.essex.gov.uk/admissionshttp://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

Reception 2025 - Open Mornings

Our open mornings for new starters in September 2025 will be held on Tuesday 12th November and Wednesday 4th December at 9.30am. Please do spread the word to anyone you think might be interested.

Prayer of the Week

Sunday 6th October is the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Alleluia, Alleluia

As long as we love one another, God will live in us and his love will be complete in us.

Alleluia

Dear Heavenly Father,

We thank you for St Thérèse and her 'little ways'.

Her acts of kindness, humility and faithfulness remind us how we should all live our lives.

Help us to be kind, so that our school, our homes, our parish, and our world might be filled with your mercy and love.

Amen

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House Competitions

Entries need to be handed in to Year 6 or emailed to the school office by Friday 11th October. Don't forget to add your name and year to your entry.

St Peter – We would like you to create a picture made out of items collected from nature. You can use leaves, sticks, conkers, pebbles, flowers, feathers or anything you can find.

You can bring in the picture or you can take a photograph and bring it in or email it to the school office. Please give your entries to Chloe or Teddy in Year 6.

St Bernadette – We would like you to design a pumpkin. You can draw, colour, paint, build or collage. If you want, you can even carve a real pumpkin and send a photograph to the school office. Please bring your designs or photographs of your designs to Luigi and Grace in Year 6.

St Francis – We would like you to create an animal picture out of items collected from nature. You can use leaves, sticks, conkers, pebbles, flowers, feathers or anything you can find. We have attached a template you can use if you want.

You can bring in the picture or you can take a photograph and bring it in or email it to the school office. Please give your entries to Isaac or Alice in Year 6.

St Theresa - We would like you to create a forest scene out of items collected from nature. You can use leaves, sticks, conkers, pebbles, flowers, feathers or anything you can find. You could even create your scene inside a cardboard box.

You can bring in the scene or you can take a photograph and bring it in or email it to the school office. Please give your entries to Sebastian or Aurelia in Year 6.

Amazon Wish List

Thank you so much to those parents who have donated items from our Amazon Wishlist. We have been overwhelmed by your generosity and the children and staff are delighted with their new resources. Your kindness is hugely appreciated.

Whole school

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Benedetti Workshop

Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 attended a Benedetti music and movement workshop where they learnt about different types of percussion and staccato and singing in rounds.





Year 3 Organ Concert

Year 3 enjoyed a wonderful organ outreach concert where the children were introduced to the sound and history of the organ in the beautiful setting of St Mary's Church.





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More Sports News

On Wednesday 2nd our Yr 6 Kurling and Boccia teams took part in the Uttlesford tournament. They had a wonderful morning with both teams finishing in bronze medal play off positions. After a close competition one team won Bronze in Kurling, with the other team narrowly missing out 3-2 in their match. Well done to everyone who took part.





PSA News

PSA meeting 17th October – 7.30pm

Come and have a glass of wine with us and discuss fundraising ideas and plans for this year. Everyone is welcome – we look forward to seeing you!

School Disco – 24th October

We will be holding a School Disco on Thursday 24th October. Please see attached poster for more information.

Christmas Wreath Workshop

The PSA are excited to announce a Christmas wreath-making workshop on Thursday 28th November at 7pm. The tickets will cost £35 per person and will include all materials and a glass of prosecco. There will also be a bar and a raffle. Numbers are limited to 40 people and tickets will be sold on a first-come-first-served basis so please book early. You may buy tickets from the shop on School Money. **The deadline to purchase tickets is 25th October.**