



Dear Parent/Carer,

Before I begin, I would like to thank everyone in advance for indulging me as I celebrate Scotland's opening World Cup win. After 28 years in the wilderness, I shall be making the most of this moment of sporting success, while I can!

Our Choir performed beautifully alongside more than 200 children at the annual SEESMA Music Festival at the Cliffs Pavilion. Wonderfully prepared by Mrs West and Mrs Pavitt during Choir club, they made everyone in the audience incredibly proud. Performing on such a large stage can be daunting, but the children sang their hearts out and represented the school brilliantly.

The weather is looking favourable for our annual Sports Day on Thursday. The children will be competing for valuable House points through a wide range of activities, and I know many are particularly excited about the relay races at the end of the event. Please ensure your child comes prepared for the warm weather with a named hat, water bottle and sunscreen.

It is a busy week for Year 5, who have been working hard on their class assembly. They will be performing for parents/carers on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2026 at 2.15pm and I am very much looking forward to it too.

### Are you keen to learn more about keeping your child safe online?

Keeping children safe online is something that concerns many of us. That is why we are delighted to welcome The 2 Johns to school this evening (6pm in the Green Hall). They will be sharing up-to-date information about the latest online risks facing children and, most importantly, practical advice about what parents/carers can do to help keep them safe. If you are able to attend, I am sure you will find the session both informative and reassuring.

In the next fortnight, we will be sending out a parent/carer survey. As part of this, we will be seeking your views on whether you would be interested in Thundersley becoming part of the Smartphone Free Childhood Schools Network. As awareness grows of the impact that smartphones and social media can have on children, increasing numbers of parents/carers and schools are exploring ways to support children in developing healthier relationships with technology. Several parents/carers have already spoken to me about this initiative and, having learned more about it, I believe it is something that would be worth exploring as a school community.

I look forward to seeing you at one or all of our events this week.

### Miss E. Dawson, Headteacher

#### Attendance

For the week ended 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026, there were five classes who achieved 97% attendance or above. Well done to Owls who achieved 99.3%.

We have a number of children who have medical conditions which mean that they have to have time off school for appointments and therefore their data is not included in these figures.

Attendance figures:-

Congratulations to this week's winners  
  
**OWLS**

Aspirational attendance target set for the school for  
  
2025 - 2026 is:  
  
**97%**

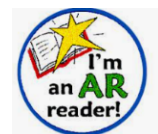
	Week
Chipmunks	82.9%
Dragonflies	96.1%
Butterflies	98.7%
Rabbits	97.9%
Ladybirds	98.7%
Robins	92.1%
Fireflies	96.0%
Owls	99.3%
Bears	98.0%
Sparrows	91.2%
Ants	92.0%
Kestrels	93.1%
Badgers	95.5%
Squirrels	94.8%
Whole School	94.8%
Target	97.0%

### Accelerated Reader

For the week ended 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026:-

#### Quizzes

Owls 37  
Ladybirds 21  
Bears 16



#### Word Count

Owls 684,283  
Sparrows 436,528  
Bears 218,262

We would like to congratulate the following double word millionaires:-

Charlie Baker (Ants) 2,044,072  
Felicity Warren (Kestrels) 2,539,914

We have two additional, amazing achievements! For the first time ever, we have a triple millionaire - Brayden Nyama (Sparrows) who has read 3,125,216 words this year which is fantastic. Also, Felicity Warren has read all fifty of the Years 5/6 Thundersbolts books which is also an incredible achievement. So a very big well done to you both.





### SEESMA Music Festival



Our school Choir took to the stage at the Music Festival on Monday and absolutely did themselves proud!

They sang enthusiastically and behaved impeccably. Mrs. West and Mrs. Pavitt were very proud of each and every one of them. Ella Abbott (Badgers) tells of her exciting experience below:-

"I've been in the Choir for four years. This was my third SEESMA concert. For the past couple of weeks we have been learning songs which we sang on Monday. On Monday, during the day, we got on the coach and went for the rehearsal. We sang every song we had learnt and made sure that we knew all the actions for the performance. Then we went home and got changed into our winter uniform. After that, we had to go outside the Cliffs Pavilion and we were greeted by Miss Brown and Mrs. West. Then we went upstairs and got in our positions ready for the performance. I felt very excited but also I felt quite sad as it was my last one. My mum and dad came to watch me. Their favourite song was 'Shaboom' because it was the most catchy. I thought the performance was amazing and my favourite song was 'Get back up again' and 'A whole new world'. I hope that when I join Senior School I will be able to join the Choir there as I love to sing."

### Stars of the Week

**Year 6:-** Louie Hulton and Darcey Gayler

**Year 5:-** Harry Hills and Aiden Clarke

**Year 4:-** Salem Mhembere and Sophia Hawkins

**Year 3:-** Roux Bilkey and Mila Balci

**Year 2:-** Joseph Potter

**Year 1:-** Elizabeth White

**EYFS:-** Blake Best and Phoebe Davison



### Playground Stars of the Week

Isla Reeves, Henry Hogsden, Leo Smith, Ibrahim Sethi, Fearne Horne, Arnie Higgs, Aiden White, Seth Mhembere, Eleanor Paige, Maisie Wheeler, Arthur Connor and Natasha Ndbalema



### Treetops Star of the Week



Maggie Thomas

### House Point Scores

Scores for the House Point groups are:-

Red Arrows	9449
Golden Eagles	6475
Blue Dolphins	6182
Green Dragons	5178



Well done Red Arrows!

### Honesty is the best policy!

We would like to congratulate the following for handing in money they found recently.

Poppy Hawker - Butterflies  
Eloise Bennett - Butterflies  
Arthur Wilden - Chipmunks

Well done - you should be very proud of yourselves!

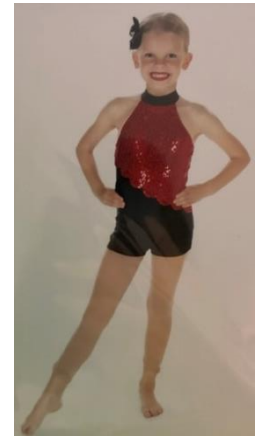
### Thank



Do clothes make people 'cool'?

### Dancing Congratulations

We would like to congratulate Isabella Rees (Rabbits) who took part in the Bailar Dance Show recently at the Towngate Theatre. Isabella performed in five dances and her favourite one was Happy Days. Isabella has been



dancing at Bailar since she was three and this year was her 4<sup>th</sup> show at the Towngate. Isabella does two classes a week which are Ballet, Tap, Modern, Street Dance and Acro. Isabella has been practicing for the show since April (after the Easter holidays).

Well done Isabella, we're glad you enjoyed performing at your show!

### Dance Competition Success!

We would like to congratulate Layla-Star Wright-Martin who, with her dance school Expressions Theatre Arts, got through to the regional finals of a competition and performed at the O2 Indigo at the weekend. Layla-Star and her dance school won the top award of 'National Dance School of the Year'. They all performed



amazingly well and the award was well deserved. Layla-Star's family are incredibly proud of her especially as it has meant lots of extra evenings and weekends of training for this opportunity which paid off!





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Well done Layla-Star, what a great achievement!

## eSchools App

We kindly ask that you to download the eSchools app (free of charge), in order that any messages we send you are not charged to the school and you will be able to access the calendar, newsletter and website easily.



## Twitter

Please keep checking our Twitter feed for various updates/messages:-

@Thundersley\_P\_S

## Early Birds Breakfast Club & Treetops After School Club



We offer a Breakfast Club (7.45am to the start of school) and an After School Club called Treetops (3.15pm to

6.00pm) each day.

If you are interested in a place for your child and would like more information, please either speak to Mrs.

Hayward in the main School Office or email her directly on:-



## Treetops this week:-

The weather looks great this week so we will be outside enjoying the warm weather as much as possible. If you have any toys or games that you need to rehome, please consider donating them to us. The children would be very grateful. Thank you in advance.

## Uniform Shops

We would like to advise that we now have two uniform shops as follows:-

Penn UK,  
15-17 Kents Hill Road,  
South Benfleet,

Essex, SS7 5PN.

Telephone:- 01268 751724

[www.pennuk.com](http://www.pennuk.com)

Danielle's Uniform,  
Claydons Lane,  
Rayleigh,  
Essex, SS6 7UP.

Telephone 01268 967542

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

## PTA

### Next Meeting

The next meeting of the PTA is to be advised.

### Community News

#### Family Fun Festival - 24<sup>th</sup> July 2026

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

#### Five Reasons to Foster

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

#### Essex Fire Museum Open Day - 28<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

### Future Term Dates

#### Academic Year 2025-2026

17/07/26 - Last Day of the Summer Term  
(due to non-pupil day on 20/07/26)

#### Academic Year 2026-2027

01/09/26 - Start of the Autumn Term  
26/10/26 to 30/10/26 - Half Term  
21/12/2026 to 01/01/27 - Christmas Break  
04/01/27 - Start of the Spring Term  
15/02/27 to 19/02/27 - Half Term

26/03/27 to 09/04/27 - Easter Break  
12/04/27 - Start of the Summer Term  
03/05/27 - Bank Holiday  
31/05/27 to 04/06/27 - Half Term  
21/07/27 - Last Day of Summer Term

### \*\*\*\*NON PUPIL DAYS\*\*\*\*

20/07/26

01/09/26

02/09/26

22/10/26

23/10/26

22/02/27

