



Dear Parents/Carers,



What a wonderful way to end our week! We have so missed our May Day

celebrations, so it was an emotional return this morning to our festivities, made very special by our special visitor, The Mayor of Castle Point, Cllr Martin Tucker. The children performed their dances beautifully and it was super to see so many of you there to support. **If you took photos, please do not share any of other children on Social Media.**

Our Year 1 children have been taking part in their phonics check



this week and have shown us what super Thundersley learners they are. The determination with which they attempted the 40 words they needed to read was fantastic! Well done everyone in Year 1!



This is a very busy term with lots of events including Parent/Carer Involvement afternoons, school trips, Parent/Carer

Consultations and Year 6 performances. We will keep you informed by email, but please keep an eye on the calendar on our website for dates. Yesterday, you received an email about our 100 Year celebrations and children dressing up on 1<sup>st</sup> July in different decades. Next Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, is the PTA Father's Day Present Palace. On Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June our PTA have our annual Bouncy Castle event and have sent out a link for parents/carers to sign up to help with the castles - 36 adults are needed for all the castles to be in action. Please sign up to help if you are attending this event, as I know the children will have lots of fun.

This afternoon, our children will have their picnic on the front playground to

celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's, Platinum Jubilee. Thank you to the PTA who have bought each child a Platinum Jubilee pin as a memento of this historic occasion. We are very much looking forward to our celebration with bunting, flags, Rock around the Clock and the National Anthem and we are crossing our fingers that Her Majesty is well enough to pay us a visit!

Have a super weekend.

**Miss E. Dawson**  
**Headteacher**

### Attendance



For the week ended 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022 there were 2 classes who achieved 97% attendance or above. Well done to Sparrows who achieved 98.6%. They will look after Attendance Ted next week. Please note that due to the Year 6 residential trip they have not been included in the total. 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:-

Class	Week
Chipmunks	96.3%
Dragonflies	87.7%
Butterflies	96.3%
Rabbits	95.3%
Ladybirds	96.7%
Robins	86.0%
Doves	90.4%
Owls	90.0%
Fireflies	97.4%
Bears	90.0%
Foxes	91.0%
Ants	96.9%
Sparrows	98.6%
Whole School	93.3%
Target	97.0%

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

Aspirational attendance target set for the school for 2021 - 2022 is:  
**97%**

### Reading Score

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Ants 100%
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Bears and Foxes 96%
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sparrows 74%

Well done Ants (please note that these scores are for the week ended 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022).

### Year 6 - Pre Half Term Adventures



Before half term, the Year 6 children had an exciting week. Some at the Isle of Wight residential and others in school working on their Commonwealth Games topic. Blake Stewart and Sophie Aldridge-Wilkins give their accounts of the week below:-

On Monday, we did some geography on different countries and we also designed our t-shirts. We designed them with Commonwealth Game things and the country we were doing. On Tuesday, we started to paint our t-shirts and on





Wednesday, we finished them. We also made pizza which had to be the colour of a flag of the country we were competing in. At the end of the day, we got to eat them. I really enjoyed it as we had to spilt up into small groups and make the dough. On Thursday, we went to Hadleigh Park for a walk and to play in the park. We pretended we were Inspectors to see if Hadleigh Park was any good for a stadium for the Commonwealth Games. We came back, had our lunch and then had swimming where we played water polo and



had races. I really enjoyed the swimming, as I love swimming in general. On Friday, we went to the Common Park. At the park, we played games. I liked the monkey bars. We all played tag together and it was really fun. In the afternoon, Miss Thomas had us and we could watch the Emoji movie, play games or draw. The best bit of the week was the swimming." (Sophie Aldridge-Wilkins)



When I came into school, I was nervous but excited. When we got on the coach and it started moving we all started

cheering. When we got to Portsmouth, we went on a ferry. It was my first time and it was really good. When we got to the hotel, I was pretty nervous to find out who I was in a room with but I was with Harrison. When we got to the hotel room, we were really happy as there was lots of space and room to put all our stuff. After dinner, we went to the beach and we wrote in our diaries and drew the view of the ocean. Then we played for a while and went back. We were really tired and I slept amazingly that night. The next morning, we went down for breakfast and we wondered what there would be. I had scrambled egg, bacon and sausage, which were nice. Then, after breakfast, we went and got ready to go to the Roman Villa. We looked at some of the mosaics, we created a picture out of mosaics and we got a tour of the outside where there was a Gladiator Arena, a Roman garden and a well. My favourite part of the day was creating the mosaic picture. After that, we went to an abandoned castle. We saw a preview of the dungeons and did a little sketch of the castle. We went near the top of the castle and looked out of the holes which would have been windows. After that, we explored and played for 5 or 10 minutes. We went back and had dinner, which was nice. After dinner, we went back down to the beach and did a sand castle competition which was good fun. After



that, we went back and had some hot chocolate and then went to bed. During the rest of the week, we went to the Steam Railway, Shanklin Chine, Calbourne Water Mill, Dinosaur Isle, paddling, bowling, indoor swimming and had a disco. I thought that the Dinosaur Isle was the best as we went fossil hunting. I found a Sponge fossil. We went down to the beach where there had been sightings of fossils and I found a nice rock which had holes in which I found out was a Sponge fossil.

Someone else found a very old one. The disco was also good fun, especially Mr. Yorston who busted some moves. I very rarely go on holiday with my friends and to have 25 of them go with me was honestly really good fun and made it so much better than going by myself. I want to say thank you to the teachers for taking the time to book it and for taking the time away from their families to spend the week with us. It was magnificent." (Blake Stewart)

### Motocross Congratulations



Last Sunday, Isabelle Sugg competed in the Mid Sussex Motocross Club race at Wakes Colne. With the weather being unsettled the night before, the track was looking very wet, muddy and was going to be difficult to ride but she went out and did 2 practice laps so she could see the conditions she was going to be facing. Isabelle wasn't happy! Race 1 she came through the checker flag in 6th place and told us 'I think I could do better than that'. Race 2 she came away with 4th and then Race 3 she was 2nd until the very last lap, where she got overtaken and as a result she came 3rd, giving her the overall position off 3rd on the day. Isabelle's family are so proud of her as it was a very difficult and big track to go round. Isabelle has another race this weekend at Arncott with Kensworth Schoolboy Motocross Club and she and her family are excited to see what she can achieve then.





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Well done Isabelle on achieving 3<sup>rd</sup> overall last weekend and good luck for your race this weekend.

### eSchools App



As you are aware, our main form of parent/carer communication is via the eSchools platform. Please download the app (free of charge), in order that any messages we send you are not charged to the school. We thank you for your support.

### Twitter

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

@Thundersley\_P\_S

### 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 speak to Mrs. Bezdel in the Green Building Offices.

### Honesty is the best policy!

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

Ava Long (Foxes)

Well done - you should be very proud of yourself!

### Stars of the Week

**Year 4:-** Olivia Hession and Ayda Pudney

**Year 3:-** Jasmine McNamara, Carter broad and Liam Seymour

**Year 2:-** Whole Year Group

**Year 1:-** Alfie Seymour and Alex Muir



### Playground Stars of the Week

Finley Fitzmaurice, Harley Duffield, Jimmy Hunter, Chase Gray-Harman, Emily Harvey, Oscar Wooden, Emily Clayton and Nellie Gaskin

### House Point Scores

The weekly scores for the House Point groups are:-

- 1<sup>st</sup> with 2,150 points - Red Arrows
- 2<sup>nd</sup> with 2,052 points - Green Dragons
- 3<sup>rd</sup> with 2,026 points - Blue Dolphins
- 4<sup>th</sup> with 1,860 points - Golden Eagles



Well done again Red Arrows!

Please note that the Stars of the Week, Playground Stars of the Week and House Point Scores are for the week ended 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

### 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

### Fathers' Day Present Palace - Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022



On Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022, we will be holding a Fathers' Day Present Palace during school time where children may purchase a gift

(one only on this occasion) for their dad or someone special. The price is **£2.50**. The children absolutely love this event, especially being able to choose and purchase a gift for a loved one. Please ensure your child has their money on this day in a sealed envelope marked with their name and class. The children will be collected by class throughout the morning and taken to the Palace. Please note that only children who have money with them on the day will be allowed to visit. Thank you.

### Community News

#### SEND Roadshow

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

#### Essex Year of Reading - Michael Rosen on Language and Play

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

#### Time Out for Parents

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

#### Thundersley Rovers U9 Girls

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

#### Cycle King - Let's Ride Vouchers

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

### Future Term Dates

21/07/22 - Last day of Term





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05/09/22 - Start of Autumn Term  
24/10/22 to 28/10/22 - Half Term  
21/12/22 to 04/01/23 - Christmas Break  
05/01/23 - Start of Spring Term  
13/02/23 to 17/02/23 - Half Term  
03/04/23 to 14/04/23 - Easter Break  
17/04/23 - Start of the Summer Term  
01/05/23 - Bank Holiday  
29/05/23 to 02/06/23 - Whitsun Break  
21/07/23 - Last day of Term

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

01/09/22  
02/09/22  
31/10/22  
20/02/23  
05/06/23

