



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has been perfect weather for children to really enjoy themselves during lunchtimes. Despite the frosty mornings, the sun has been shining and in any case, children don't seem to feel the cold when they are outside having fun! Our super Midday Assistants do a wonderful job of supporting children in their play, keeping a keen eye on their safety as well as encouraging those who may be shy or nervous to get alongside other children and get involved. Our children in Key Stage 1 are loving letting their imagination take them all manner of places on their new wooden equipment. Thanks to our wonderful PTA, who have given us £5000



towards this, we will be able to purchase more in other areas on the site.

What a take up we have had to our clubs this week! After 3.15pm, the school has been packed each afternoon with children developing new friendships, new talents and getting to know new members of staff. This is such an important part of our curriculum offer and we are delighted to see so many children get involved. This afternoon, we will have over 150 children taking part in the Running and Fun and Fit Clubs!

Just a reminder that parents must leave the site by 3.20pm. We will reopen the gates at 4.00pm.

Enjoy your weekend.

Miss E. Dawson
Headteacher

Attendance



For the week ended 14th January 2022 there were 8 classes who achieved 97% attendance or above. Well done to Dragonflies and Sparrows. They will be sharing looking after Attendance Ted next week. 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	97.3%
Dragonflies	99.3%
Butterflies	86.2%
Rabbits	99.0%
Ladybirds	95.7%
Robins	98.0%
Doves	95.7%
Owls	97.5%
Fireflies	94.4%
Bears	94.6%
Foxes	98.3%
Ants	91.7%
Sparrows	99.3%
Badgers	90.0%
Kestrels	95.8%
Squirrels	97.5%
Whole School	95.6%

Congratulations to this week's winner
DRAGONFLIES & SPARROWS

Aspirational attendance target set for the school for
2020 - 2021 is:
97%

Bike Shelter

Some of you may have noticed the missing Perspex from around the bike sheds, which sadly are showing signs of age and are not fit for purpose now. Unbelievably, the company who supplied the bike sheds want to charge £2000 to replace just the large

sections of Perspex, which unfortunately we are unable to fund. We are appealing for your ideas/suggestions/help in order to make the bike shelters fit for purpose again. Please email your thoughts to admin@thundersley.essex.sch.uk

Thank you in advance!

Mr. S. Mackay
Deputy Headteacher

British Values



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Individual Liberty

We all have a unique appearance! It is important that we understand and respect that not everyone is the same.

Our British Value focus this week is Individual Liberty and whether it is ever fair to judge others on their appearance. The children at Thundersley showed a great understanding that even though we may have different appearances, don't share the same beliefs and values, we respect that we are not all the same. Attached is the usual Picture News at Home resource to carry on this discussion at home. Remember to share your views with us too, it's lovely to hear them.

Reading Leaderboard

- 1st - Ants and Badgers 100%
- 2nd - Foxes 93%
- 3rd - Squirrels 91%

Well done Ants and Badgers! Please note that these scores run a week in arrears.





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Polite Reminder

Our paths are very narrow, so first thing in the morning they can become congested. Please be mindful of this, particularly in the area where EYFS parents and Butterflies' parents wait. Thank you.

'Go for Grammar'



Stanley Cook (Ants) attended the 'Go for Grammar' Humanities day at Westcliff High School for Boys last Saturday. Stanley spent

the day in House Osprey and covered Science, Maths, English, Geography and History as well as a little bit of spoken Russian! Stanley came out at the end of the day with a huge smile telling his parents that he "absolutely loved it" and how inspired he feels to work even harder towards his 11+ as he definitely wants to go to Westcliff. Stanley's parents are very proud of him, his attitude to learning and having such wonderful aspirations. Sounds like you had a fabulous day Stanley!

TCS School Meals

Please note that due to the current situation with lorry drivers and deliveries, the kitchen may have to change the school dinner menu at short or no notice. Please accept our apologies but this situation is beyond our control.

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.

Alyssa Gay (Doves)
Sophie Nix (Doves)
Bella Blackshaw (Doves)

Well done - you should be very proud of yourselves!

Stars of the Week

Year 6:- Harry New, Gracie-May Rowland and Harry Lawrence

Year 5:- Aiden Taylor

Year 4:- Emilia Weedon and Thomas Clayton

Year 3:- Jimmy Hunter, Rose Beckford and Rosie-Belle Horsman

Year 2:- Scarlett-Grace Cater and Patrick Ridgwell

Year 1:- Emily Duggan

EYFS:- Scarlet-Rose O'Dell and David Cater



Playground Stars of the Week

Ollie King, Sophie Aldridge-Wilkins, Alfie Frost, Arlo Puckey, Jacob Sandford,

Sharia Miah, Zara Higgins, Grace Bowman, Scarlett-Grace Cater, Isobel Hawkins, Daniel Arram, Hermione Delf, Fearné Horne and Rex Bilkey

House Point Scores

The weekly scores for the House Point groups are:-

1st with 2,577 points - Blue Dolphins
2nd with 2,430 points - Red Arrows
3rd with 2,214 points - Green Dragons
4th with 1,954 points - Golden Eagles



Well done Blue Dolphins!

Please note that Stars of the Week, Playground Stars of the Week and House Point Scores run a week in arrears.

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

Danielle's Uniform,
Claydons Lane,
Rayleigh,
Essex, SS6 7UP.
Telephone 01268 967542

www.daniellesshop.co.uk





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PTA News

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 28th February 2022 in the White Hart Pub at 7pm. Everyone is welcome.

Community News

ACL Courses

Please find attached information in respect of the above.

Hadleigh Youth FC - Players Wanted

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

Future Term Dates

14/02/22 to 18/02/22 - Half Term
04/04/22 to 18/04/22 - Easter Break
19/04/22 - Start of the Summer Term
02/05/22 - Bank Holiday
30/05/22 to 03/06/22 - Whitsun Break
21/07/22 - Last day of Term

******NON PUPIL DAYS******

21/02/22
06/06/22
07/06/22

