



Dear Parent/Carer,

The children have had a super time taking part in a variety of different sitting sports and creating their own sports to compete in today. We hope you enjoyed the dance!

Most importantly, they have all had a little glimpse into the life of their much loved friend, Eva-Mei, who said to me that she has really enjoyed being able to do exactly what her friends have been doing in the sports - which is what she will be able to do when she gets her new wheelchair! Thank you all for your generous support for Eva-Mei and her family.

<https://justgiving.com/crowdfunding/Evaspowerchair>

It was great to see everyone at Sports Day on Thursday - and we had perfect weather for it! It was so lovely to see the children taking part in all the different activities - when I asked them their favourite, for many it was the water event and being sprayed by their teachers! Our relay races at the end were a great treat and showed that we certainly have athletic talent in each year group which bodes well for the KS2 District Sports which will this year be held on 10<sup>th</sup> July at the Basildon Sporting Village. A huge thanks to the PTA for providing the ice pops - a perfect end to the event!

In an update on our tree, the insurance companies have agreed to have an independent survey of the area around the tree completed which will take place this week. We have had many interested parties getting in touch and once the outcome of this report is completed, we will be able to make a plan for the way forward. We will announce the name of the tree this week!

Have a super week and we look forward to seeing everyone at Parent/Carer Consultations this week and next.

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

### Attendance

For the week ended 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024, there were two classes who achieved 97% attendance or above. Well done to Squirrels who achieved 99%. They will be looking after Attendance Ted this 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	92.3%
Dragonflies	90.0%
Butterflies	94.7%
Rabbits	95.3%
Ladybirds	96.3%
Robins	92.3%
Fireflies	94.7%
Owls	80.0%
Bears	89.3%
Sparrows	96.7%
Ants	93.9%
Bees	94.8%
Kestrels	97.9%
Badgers	96.9%
Squirrels	99.0%
Whole School	93.7%
Target	97.0%

Congratulations to this week's winners

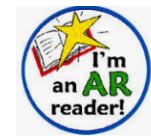
**SQUIRRELS**

Aspirational attendance target set for the school for

2023 - 2024 is:

**97%**

### KS2 Accelerated Reader



This week:-

#### Word Count

1<sup>st</sup> Bears - 398,540

2<sup>nd</sup> Bees - 321,456

3<sup>rd</sup> Owls - 162,396

#### Quizzes

1<sup>st</sup> Ladybirds - 34

2<sup>nd</sup> Bears - 31

3<sup>rd</sup> Bees - 22

Overall:-

#### Word Count

1<sup>st</sup> Kestrels - 13,509,135

2<sup>nd</sup> Bees - 10,436,526

3<sup>rd</sup> Ants - 10,190,175

#### Quizzes

1<sup>st</sup> Owls - 1,025

2<sup>nd</sup> Bears - 762

3<sup>rd</sup> Fireflies - 717

We would like to congratulate Isobel Hawkins in Sparrows on becoming a word millionaire. Well done Isobel!

### Safeguarding

We have been made aware of an app that children may be downloading which has risks attached to it as there are no parent/carer restrictions on it and it is open to abuse by people wanting to access children. The app is called OMETV and you will find a poster with more information on it attached to this newsletter.

### KS1 Summer Games

On Wednesday, the children in Butterflies' class enjoyed an afternoon of summer games, together with children from other local schools, at The Deanes School. The children really enjoyed participating in lots of different activities and Gracie Mann tells of her experience below:-





"We walked to Deanes. We had to run to some bean bags, pick one up and then run and put it in our hoop. We had to roll some tennis balls under the hurdles. We had to make faces out of a hoop, bean bags, skipping ropes and tennis balls. We had to shoot some arrows at a target. Then there was a target on the floor and we had to slide some things to get near the centre. Then there were some hoops and we had to roll the balls into the hoops. There was also a line on the floor and we had to kick a ball quite hard along the line. My favourite activity was sliding the things onto the target because it was really fun. I thought the whole afternoon was good because we saw other schools."



## Sports Day

On Thursday, it was our annual Sports Day. The sun shone and the children's joy shone with it! It was a super exciting morning of activities involving some shooting, some throwing, some jumping and some running. The EYFS/KS1 children were incredibly lucky to have the fabulous Sports Ambassadors encouraging them and supporting them throughout their activities. It was so lovely to see their passion for activity and the cheering and support from the spectators and onlookers. The morning was rounded off with some very exciting relay races including children from EYFS all the way up to Year 2. After lunch it was the turn of the KS2 children who came out into the stunning weather full of enthusiasm. They participated fantastically and there were smiles all round as they fought to gain points for their house team. At the end of the afternoon it was their turn to take part in the relays and my goodness there were some close finishes with children giving their all as always at Thundersley. This was a fantastic event and we were so grateful to the wonderful spectators, who lent their good cheer to this glorious event. Another example of the children 'being the best they can be'. Evie Crompton (Dragonflies) gives her account of her first Sports Day below:-

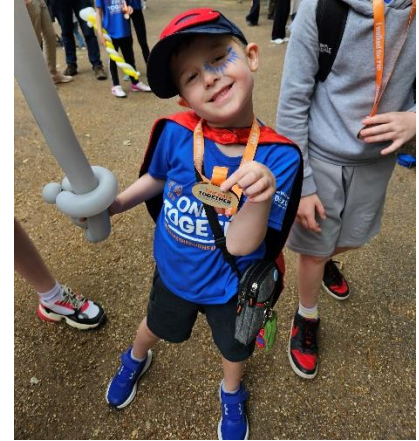
"We had to get some water and put it in a bucket. We had to do a race. We had to go under a parachute and get a blue ball. We had to throw a bean bag into a hoop. My favourite was the race because I won. Mummy came to watch me and she said "Well done". I liked it."

The house point winners and runners up were as follows:-

- 1<sup>st</sup> Blue Dolphins
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Red Arrows
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Golden Eagles
- 4<sup>th</sup> Green Dragons



## Charity Walk Congratulations



We would like to congratulate Cody Kemp (Butterflies) who, with his family, completed a 5K charity walk, called One Walk, on Saturday to raise money and awareness for Type 1 Diabetes. Cody and his family raised the magnificent sum of over £400 for this worthy cause. Well done Cody (and family)!

## Stars of the Week



**Year 6:-** Ethan Abas and Lucas Rowland

**Year 5:-** Alice English, Ellen Weeden and Rose Beckford

**Year 4:-** Darcey Gayler and Poppy Ferdinando-Hemmings

**Year 3:-** Harry Burns and Emily Duggan

**Year 2:-** Joshua Arram and Xander Weedon

**Year 1:-** Ava Rothern and Luna Galley

**EYFS:-** Charlotte Morris and Amelia Betts

## Playground Stars of the Week

Mason Hills, Chloe Crawley, Henry Frost, Ayah Pounds, Olivia Hindley, Isaac Wood, Ella Abbott, Mason Major, Henry Wise Bell, Aiden White, Rae Law, Eddie Hunter and Avery-Bleu Dolan



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## This week's 'Think'



Does having more 'things' make you happier?

## House Point Scores

Scores for the House Point groups are:-

Green Dragons	2871
Red Arrows	2778
Golden Eagles	2519
Blue Dolphins	2437



Well done Green Dragons!

## Numbots Certificates

Well done to all of the EYFS and Year 1



children that have used NumBots to help support their fluency in Maths. Certificates will be given during Celebration Assembly. The following children are our NumBot superstars this week!

EYFS - Sienna Lowe (Chipmunks)  
Year 1 - Harley Rush (Butterflies)

Well done to you both!

## eSchools App

We kindly ask that you to download the



eSchools and eSchools Lite apps (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 called Early Birds (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. Hayward in the main School Office.

## 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.daniellessshop.co.uk](http://www.daniellessshop.co.uk)

## PTA Bouncy Castle Event - Total

The PTA would like to thank everyone who attended the Bouncy Castle event recently. They raised the amazing total of **£1,555.45**.

## Community News

<https://www.thundersleyprimary.co.uk/web/home/86964>

or eSchools app Lite

## Future Term Dates

19/07/24 - Last day of Term

03/09/24 - Start of the Autumn Term  
28/10/24 to 01/11/24 - Half Term  
21/12/24 to 05/01/25 Christmas Break  
06/01/25 - Start of the Spring Term  
17/02/25 to 21/02/25 - Half Term  
07/04/25 to 21/04/25 - Easter Break  
22/04/25 - Start of the Summer Term  
05/05/25 - Bank Holiday  
26/05/25 to 30/05/25 - Half Term  
22/07/25 - Last day of Term

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

22/07/24  
23/07/24

02/09/24  
25/11/24  
14/02/25  
21/07/25  
22/07/25

