



# NEWSLETTER

11<sup>th</sup> September 2020

## Joy is our Christian value this term

Near the end of the Summer Term 5 baby hedgehogs were found on the school field. After an extensive search for the mum they were collected up and Mrs Tyler and her children hand reared them.

We are delighted that all 5 hedgehogs survived and have been successfully released back into the wild.

Well done to Mrs Tyler and her children!



The above picture shows the difference in size from when found to before released.



The new reception children have started school this week. They have been busy becoming familiar with school life and settling into a routine.



## Parental Consent Forms

This week Parental Consent Forms for 2020/2021 have been sent home with the children.

Can you please ensure both sides of this form are completed and returned to the school as soon as possible.

Thank you.



Please can you ensure that your child/ren are able to open any items that are in their packed lunch as due to current

COVID restrictions we are unable to help them.

## Year 6 - IMPORTANT REMINDER

If your child is in year 6, you can apply for a secondary school (year 7) place between **11<sup>th</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020**. Information on Mid Essex Secondary Schools Virtual Open Evenings have been sent out to our year 5 and year 6 children.

Applications can be made online at: [www.essex.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.uk/admissions)

## Reminders



The carpark is for staff parking and those given permission only please, therefore, do not use for dropping off and picking up children. Many thanks.

## Music Lessons

### RECOMMENCING AUTUMN TERM 2020

Mr Pritchard, our Music Teacher, has places on a Thursday morning for children to learn piano, keyboard or guitar.

The cost is £30 per half term for 5 lessons of 15 minutes each or £60 for 30 minutes. (fees are reduced for families on state benefits).

If you are interested in your child/ren learning to play an instrument, please contact Mr Pritchard on:


07442 170541 or

[steve.p.musicteacher@gmail.com](mailto:steve.p.musicteacher@gmail.com)



### Attendance - w/e 11/9/20

| Year                  | %      |
|-----------------------|--------|
| R / 1 (Red Squirrels) | 90.4%  |
| 1 / 2 (Hedgehogs)     | 93.17% |
| 3 (Foxes)             | 97.09% |
| 4 / 5 (Otters)        | 97.25% |
| 5 / 6 (Badgers)       | 94.47% |



Class 4/5 (Otters) are the weekly winners.

The Government expects our attendance to be 96%.


If your child is not in school, please remember to phone each morning and leave a message. We must have a reason to enable us to authorise the absence.

If you receive a text message please contact the school to explain the absence. If we do not hear from you telephone calls will be made.

Safeguarding requires the school to know why a child is not in school. Every child legally has to attend school and parents/carers have a duty to notify the school.


### Stars of the Week - w/e 11/9/20

| Year                  | Names               |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| R / 1 (Red Squirrels) | Sawyer & Isabelle   |
| 1 / 2 (Hedgehogs)     | Nancy               |
| 3 (Foxes)             | Lacey-Mai & Ethan V |
| 4 / 5 (Otters)        | Skylar & Rory       |
| 5 / 6 (Badgers)       | Poppy & Leo         |




### Star Writers - w/e 11/9/20

| Year                  | Name     |
|-----------------------|----------|
| R / 1 (Red Squirrels) | Harrison |
| 1 / 2 (Hedgehogs)     | Ralph    |
| 3 (Foxes)             |          |
| 4 / 5 (Otters)        |          |
| 5 / 6 (Badgers)       |          |



### Good Manners - w/e 11/9/20

| Year                  | Name                   |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| R / 1 (Red Squirrels) | Oliver & Judith        |
| 1 / 2 (Hedgehogs)     | Lucas & Eloise         |
| 3 (Foxes)             | Scarlett-Rose & Girush |
| 4 / 5 (Otters)        | Lola W & Lillie        |
| 5 / 6 (Badgers)       | Lacie & Avril          |



Well done to all those children.



Please see our website for full details of Dates to remember

October 2020

2<sup>nd</sup> Oct - NON-PUPIL DAYS  
26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Oct - HALF TERM

**Letters sent home / info on  
website for**

**w/b 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

The following letters have this week been sent out or put on the school website (under Key Information/ Information Hub/ Letters Home).

- GOV.UK LEAFLET: Returning to Primary: What Parents Need to know
- GOV.UK: Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection
- ESSEX CHILD & FAMILY WELLBEING SERVICE: Issue Number 17
- PARENTAL CONSENT FORM 2020/2021
- LETTER TO RECEPTION PARENTS: School times w/c 14/9/20 to 27/9/20
- LETTER TO YR 5 & YR 6 PARENTS: Mid Essex Open Evening Events and Tours
- LETTER TO YR 5 & YR 6 PARENTS: Plume Academy virtual tours
- LETTER TO YR5 & YR 6 PARENTS: Ormiston Rivers Academy virtual tours