

Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior School NEWSLETTER 21st January 2022



Light Shine

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a cold week! Our no coat, no play rule remains in place! Thank you for all sending your children in with coats and warm clothing! We are having a focus on 'reading at home' and have reminded all children that they should be reading 5 times a week at home. We ask that you record this either in their reading diary or using the QR code. There is a lot of evidence showing that the more a child reads the better their prospects are, as an adult.

With our COVID numbers rising in years 3,4 and 6 - doing (at least) twice weekly LFTs on your children is the very best way for us to protect our school community. The school can only stay open if the staff numbers are high enough! So identifying cases as swiftly as possible is best for us all.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Black



Change in Government Guidance to self-isolation periods

Students and staff can end self-isolation period after 5 full days. Under the new rules, students who are self-isolating with COVID-19 can now end their isolation period after 5 full days. To do so they must test negative using Lateral Flow Device (LFD) tests on both day 5 and day 6. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 and the second must be taken the following day. In order to return to school, your child must also not have a temperature. Those who are still positive on their LFD tests must stay in isolation until they have had 2 consecutive negative tests taken on separate days or until they have completed 10 full days of selfisolation, whichever is earliest. All LFD test results should be reported online at: https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result



Wishing a very Happy Birthday to those who have celebrated their birthdays between: 17th and 23rd January 2022

Thomas S, Antonia, Chase, Mrs Reynolds



These are the children who have been spotted shining in school this week. We could have chosen so many children- the decisions were hard to make!

Well done for demonstrating our CARE values.

Abigail - Apple
Haniya - Birch
Daisy - Cherry
Eli - Fir
Miley - Maple
Evie-Mai - Oak
Maiy'bel - Rowan
Edward - Sycamore

Compassion Achievement Respect Enjoyment Every child is loved and known. Every child shines.



Find more @Charliemackesy on Twitter



Spotlight on RE in Year 5



On Thursday, Year 5 had a visit from the Hinduism Education Services. They taught us lots about how Hindu's worship in their temple – a Mandir. We took part in some important Hindu ceremonies like Arti and we even had a wedding!

My favourite activity was the hand and face painting. I liked it because it was relaxing and fun and we got to do designs on our friend's faces.





I loved fanning the teachers with a fan made out of a yak's tail.

Joshua

It was fun dressing up for the Hindu wedding where we experienced prayers, traditions and rituals.

Shaan

My favourite activity was the Dandiya Rasa dance using wooden sticks. We had to use the sticks to make a dance in pairs and then in fours. We also got given paint to decorate our partner's hands. I choose to do a diamond shape with dots around it. **Chloe**



Spotlight on DT in Year 4









This week, the Year 4s have been studying life in an Anglo-Saxon Village. We looked closely at different types of buildings that were in Saxon villages, what they were used for and how they were constructed.

We used the information we had learnt to design our own model buildings, thinking carefully about how to make them strong structures as well as life like We created our designs using cardboard, wood, straw, and paint! We had lots of fun and learnt loads too!

Next week, we hope to spend some time arranging our buildings to create our own villages: Cherry-stead and Fir-stowe!

PLEASE NOTE SLIGHT AMENDMENTS TO OUR LUNCH MENUS WEEK COMMENCING 24th JANUARY 2022 IS WEEK 2

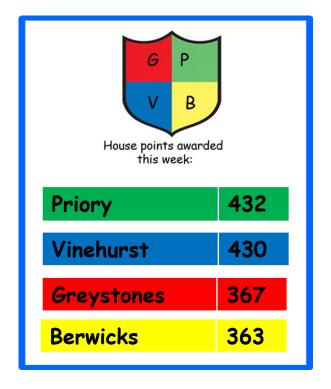
Thank you for helping to support our school by choosing a school meal for your child/ren.

Meals are £2.20 daily and can be ordered by your child in class during registration each morning.

Our preferred payment method is via Pay360 Education Payments
please contact the office if you have yet to register for this.



Thank you for supporting us by having a school meal. Please be assured for your peace of mind - all allergens are catered for.



The Essex Library Service Winter Reading Challenge event continues until the 19^{th} of February. In addition, they are running an Art Competition based on the Winter Reading challenge - entries will be displayed in Witham library and there are some lovely prizes to be won.



Children's Art Competition
Closing Date: Saturday 5 February 2022





- Have fun and create a piece of A4 winter themed artwork!
- · Some great prizes to be won!
- Winners' artwork will be displayed in libraries and shared on social media!

Open to all children aged 4-11.

Visit libraries.essex.gov.uk or ask a member of staff for more information.



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Sign up to the Winter Reading Challenge and be entered into a prize draw to win one of these fantastic prizes!

- Explore Essex Explorer Passes, valid for one year.
- Sky Ropes Session for two, to be taken by 31 August 2022 (subject to availability). Min age of two for the junior course, min height of 1.22m for the main course.
- Essex Outdoors school holiday activity days, for one child aged 8-16, to be taken by 31 August 2022 (subject to availability).
- Wilderness Foundation activity afternoon, Chatham Green centre, for children aged 5-11 (and their parents and siblings) to be taken Saturday 26 April 2022.
- Signed books, from authors Emma Beswetherick, Catherine Emmett and Vassiliki Tzomaka.
- · Love Essex goodie bags.

Full terms and conditions can be found on our website: libraries.essex.gov.uk







