



Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

NEWSLETTER

10th November 2023



Dear Parents and Carers.

Thank you for your patience with our new systems, We are hoping to look at how we can better support parents who have children at HPINS so that they are not late to collect. For some, children leaving through the little blue Infant gate and being collected from the Infant playground at 3:00pm might be easier. So please complete this google form if you need your child to leave via the Infant playground gate; if you do not tell us you child will be leaving via the rec gate. These children will need collecting at 3:00 please.

<https://forms.gle/ZJw7e5277DxY5k6D6>

On Monday I will be sending a letter outlining the events we are planning for the Christmas period. There are some changes, but we will all be doing our utmost to ensure the children have the best Christmas experiences we can make happen.



Have a lovely weekend.

From Mrs Black and the St Andrew's team.



Reception admissions for academic year starting in September 2024

As you may be aware, the primary school (Reception) admission round opened on **Monday 6 November 2023**, for parents of children to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2024.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2024**.

From **6 November 2023**, applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

All of the application information is available on the website above.

Even if a parent already has a sibling at the school, they need to apply if they have a child due to start Reception next September

Parents with Year 2 Children

Year 2- 3 admissions for September 2024

As you are aware, parents of current Year 2 children at an infant school need to make a formal application to the Council for a Year 3 place and can do so via the website www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

The junior admission round opened on **6 November 2023**, for parents of children in Year 2 at an infant school to apply for a junior school (Year 3) place for September 2024.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2024**.

From **6 November 2023**, applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

BIKEABILITY - GROUP ONE (YEAR 6)

A reminder that the first Bikeability course takes place on Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th November. A Parentmail was shared earlier this week to Group 1.

(Group 2 & 3 courses are scheduled for 22nd/23rd November and 4th/5th December).

Autumn Term 2023 - dates for your diary:-

13th/14th November: Bikeability Group 1 (Year 6 only)

14th November: Individual School Photographs

14th November: Parent Consultation Evening

16th November: Parent Consultation Evening

22nd/23rd November: Bikeability Group 2 (Year 6 only)

4th/5th December: Bikeability Group 3 (Year 6 only)

13th December: Whole School Panto (Cinderella)

14th December: JSA Christmas Disco (Y3-4 3.10-4.10pm & Y5-6 4.30-5.30pm)

20th December: last day of term 1pm finish.

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for response
All Years	JSA Christmas Disco Wednesday 20 th December - last day of term - 1pm finish	Friday 1 st December
Year 3		
Year 4		
Year 5		
Year 6	Link to Google form for mobile phones https://forms.gle/MU3e6bowiZVHrxi5A	



The whole school came together this morning (for the first time on our new site) to stop and observe the two minutes silence. We reflected on how lucky we are to live in a safe country and gave thanks for those who have made this possible.



If you would like to support this year's Children in Need Appeal, donations can be made via ParentPay by following the link below.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=12707>

Individual School
Photos

Tuesday 14th November



Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to those who celebrate their birthdays between:
6th to 12th November

Henry F (Y3), Jack T, Millie, Bella L, Isabelle D-S,

I am a big fan of the artist Charlie Mackesy For more see
<https://twitter.com/charliemackesy?lang=en>



TIMEZ TABLEZ ROCK STARS		
MOST PLAYED		
1 st	Elliot G	11,377
2 nd	Luke C	5,267
3 rd	Lucas B	2,513

*If you need to drop off or collect your child outside of the usual school hours, please come to the green rec gate and call the school office. **There is no access for children or visitors through the red car park gate.***



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.

Apple - Raffety
Birch - Lois
Cherry - Leo
Fir - Eliza
Maple - Lollie-Lou
Oak - Haniya
Rowan - Izzy
Sycamore - George E



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



**WELL DONE TO
GREYSTONES
HOUSE!**

Points for this week!	
Berwicks	294
Greystones	409
Priory	331
Vinehurst	316

Parent Consultation Meetings and One Plans



Dear parents and carers,

As advertised in previous newsletters, we will be holding our Autumn Parent Consultation meetings and One Plans next week.

Please use the Google forms below to book either a parent consultation or One Plan meeting for your child. Both meetings will provide an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher, to discuss settling in and progress so far. One Plan meetings will also discuss individual targets and SEN support for children on the SEN register.

Apple Base (Mrs Arnold and Mrs Pettifer) <https://forms.gle/h3hUXpiM5iMHeKWNA>

Birch Base (Mrs O'Connor and Mrs Larrad) <https://forms.gle/hwHbPctbcMd7oEgK9>

Cherry Base (Miss Delf and Mrs Maginn) <https://forms.gle/5GPu3KiitGp8g66M8>

Fir Base (Mrs Bonich and Mrs Maginn) <https://forms.gle/g9kEPc82pEVf8x879>

Maple Base (Mrs Briggs and Mrs Larrad) <https://forms.gle/PY5C852QH8EzFvRf9>

Oak Base (Mrs Spilling) <https://forms.gle/Pm7aQnVN5XCuAJ2U8>

Rowan Base (Miss Coughlan) <https://forms.gle/Pnb3w2i3eZueLPnR7>

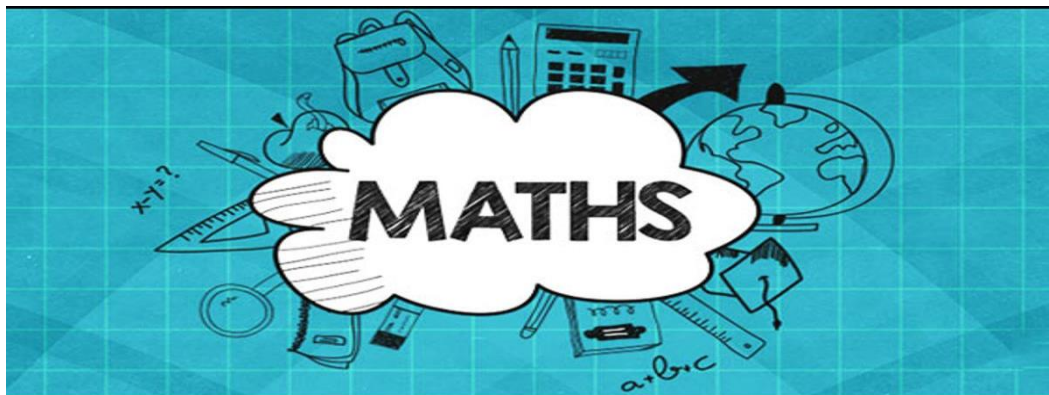
Sycamore Base (Mrs Smith) <https://forms.gle/zrrTi4uidSBhM7eC6>

The form will give you the option to opt for either a face-to-face meeting or a phone call. If you are attending in person, please wait at the green gate on the Recreation ground and we will collect you at your appointment time.

We look forward to seeing next week.

Best wishes,

Mrs Dutaut and the St Andrew's team.



Maths Ambassadors

We are excited to announce that we will be recruiting some children as maths ambassadors this year; this is a new role at St. Andrew's and an exciting opportunity.

There will be a child or children (depending on interest) chosen from each class. Having spoken in collective worship and having had lots of expressions of interest from the children already, we have created an application form so that we can choose as fairly as possible.

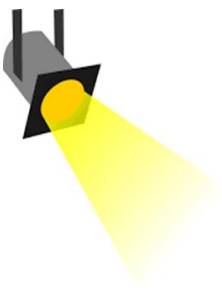
The duties include:

- Attending meetings to talk about maths in school
- Asking children in their class for their views about maths
- Updating displays
- Organising resources
- Coming up with new ideas
- Helping at workshops
- Telling visitors about maths at St. Andrew's
- Being enthusiastic about all things maths!

The application form is below in the form of a Google form (I will also put this link on Google Classroom). The deadline is Wednesday 17th November. Please feel free to help your child to organise thoughts and ideas for the form - but do make sure the application is their work!

Before they apply, please do make sure they are happy to commit to the duties above, including spending a few lunchtimes a term helping out and meeting to discuss ideas.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScqRelIMKB8V6PsEFw0FJF9S QaHRsfhsd8loD6HQCpvtplCpw/viewform?usp=sharing>



Spotlight on Year 5 Art and Science lessons

Year 5 have been thoroughly enjoying immersing themselves into their Space topic this term - it is always a firm favourite topic every year!

In Science, we have been learning about the phases of the moon and so in Art, we recreated the moon using chalk and charcoal. Last week, we used pencils and learnt how to draw a sphere, concentrating on drawing a shadow accurately. This week, we applied our sphere-drawing skills to create our moons. Planets are our next mission, where we will be introducing coloured chalks.



We think our moons look amazing and we can't wait to put them on display!



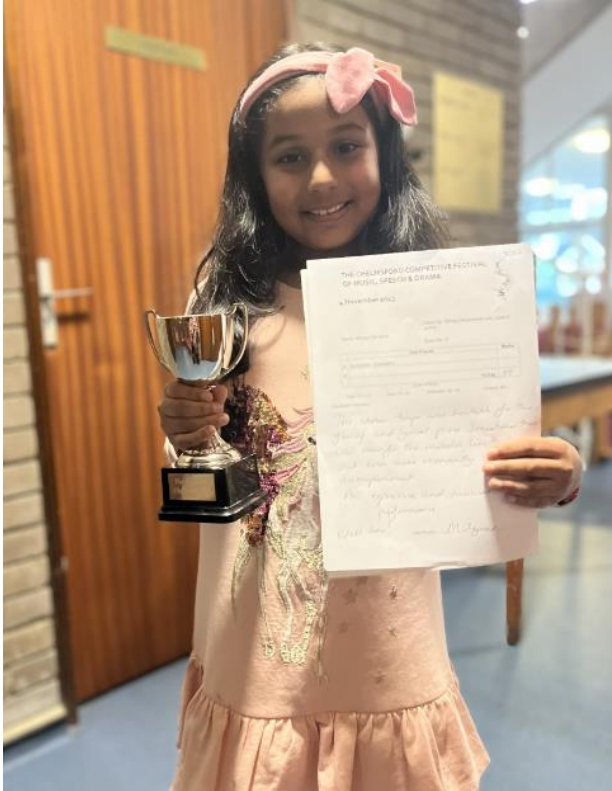


← Last weekend, George represented Kazen Kai at the national karate competition in Clacton. He competed in Kata and Kumite and was narrowly defeated by one point in his fight. His family are really proud of him and his team for their camaraderie and their representation of their squad. Congratulations and a big well done to you George!

Ben has recently started playing for Witham Rugby Club U9's team. Last weekend they participated in Southend rugby festival playing against 5 teams from across Essex. The team did really well and Ben was named Player of the day. His coaches said 'Ben Ponder, his second ever time on a rugby field a sight to be seen. We lost count of the try's he scored and tackles he made and was the player of the day'!

Here's Ben with Elliott G who is also on the team and also played brilliantly. The whole family are really proud of him and the effort and enthusiasm he put in – well done Ben (and Elliott!). Huge congratulations on a very successful tournament!





Last
Saturday, Minaya participated in
two events at the Chelmsford
Competitive Music Festival and
achieved remarkable success.

I am delighted to inform you
of Minaya's achievements:

Any String Instrumental Solo -
SCG6:

1st place with the Classical
Challenge Cup

Distinction certificate

Orchestral Strings Grade 3 and
4 - SCG12:

2nd place with the Miss Brenda
Duncan Trophy Cup
Distinction

We are extremely proud of her.

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child is invited to sign up for this year's [Winter Reading Challenge](#) at your local library!

What is the Winter Reading Challenge?

The Winter Reading Challenge is a fun activity put together by Essex Library Service for children aged 0-11. It encourages children and families to keep reading over the winter and to visit their local library.

They will join Lyra the penguin as she travels around the world with her magic book to find out more about endangered animals.

Children will complete 6 challenges (from a list of 12), and it's **FREE** to take part.

How can my child take part?

Visit your [local library](#) to sign up. Your child will:

- Receive their Challenge folder
- Choose 6 challenges to complete (from a list of 12)
- Earn a sticker for each challenge they complete
- When they've complete 6 challenges they will receive a certificate and, whilst stocks last, they will also receive a packet of seeds and a free book from Penguin Books.
- Over the winter we will also be releasing videos about Lyra's journey so keep an eye on our YouTube Channel ([Youtube.com/essexlibraries](https://www.youtube.com/essexlibraries)) and social media channels (@EssexLibraries).

When?

Throughout the **winter from 25 November July to 3 February**. Unsure where your closest library is - use the Essex Library Service [website](#) to check.

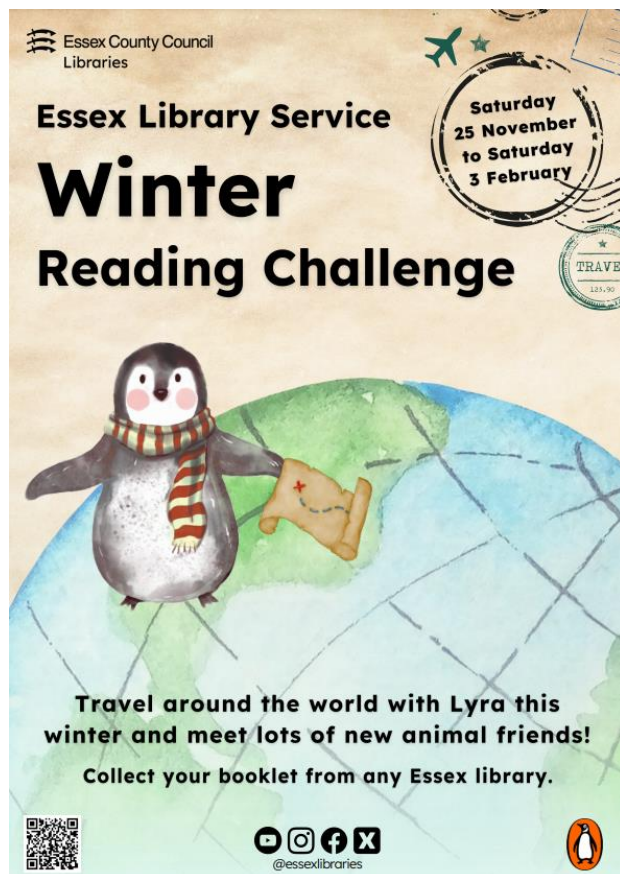
Head to your local library this winter and sign up! You can find out more about the challenge on the [library website](#) and if you have any questions, please ask staff in the library.

We look forward to seeing you!

Best wishes

Essex Library Service

More information about the Winter Reading Challenge:
<https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/winter-reading-challenge>
Promotional Video:
<https://youtu.be/-kUnNp3aX54>





CHRISTMAS DISCO

THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER

YEARS 3 & 4 3.10PM – 4.10PM

YEARS 5 & 6 4.30PM – 5.30PM

TICKETS £3.50 PER CHILD

CHILDREN CAN BRING MONEY ALONG WITH THEM TO SPEND AT
THE TREAT STALL (DRINKS/SWEETS)

PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS VIA OUR PTA EVENTS BY FRIDAY
1ST DECEMBER.

www.pta-events.co.uk/hpsajsa

PRE-ORDER ONLY – NO ON THE DAY TICKETS AVAILABLE OR
CASH PURCHASES THROUGH THE OFFICE