



**Believe Belong Achieve**

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## Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Summer Term Issue 2

I have very much enjoyed another exciting week at Tolleshunt D'Arcy. On a personal note, I feel lucky to be in a profession where every day is different; and one where you get to share moments of real joy on such a regular basis. Our celebration assemblies on Fridays once again show what a caring and collaborative community our school is. It was a pleasure to be able to give so many certificates that celebrated good role models within our classes, and for the teachers to speak with such enthusiasm about the great attitudes being shown by our children.

During our assembly on Thursday this week, we heard the story of Greta Thunberg – a young lady who, despite no-one listening to her cause at first, and despite being the victim of online bullying still stood up against climate change and was prepared to continue to stand up for what she believes in. I often wonder how many of us, myself included, would be prepared to do the same?

It has been another very busy week of learning in our classrooms. From Class 1 exploring numbers over ten using Numicon, Class 2 putting amazing effort into writing their stories, Class 3 showing super knowledge of volcanoes and Class 4 managing to take a short break from revision to create craters in flour (though with a little less mess than Class 2 when they did it!). It is lovely to see such learning opportunities happening regularly in school, and this is due to the enthusiasm, respect and good attitude shown by our children.

As we look forward to next week, it presents us with more opportunities to come together as a community and celebrate. I hope to see many of you join us in celebrating the coronation. Please do not hesitate to come and say hello and share in celebrating with myself and the other staff at the street party. I once again have to extend my thanks to the PTFA for helping to organise the event, and all they do to support the school.

I have no qualms in saying that the following weeks will be very busy, with a lot of hard work happening in classrooms during the run up to SATs. I once again commend the attitude and perseverance of the children and their dedication to getting their best possible outcomes. I certainly hope they take advantage of the bank holidays to give their brains at least a little rest!

I would like to finish by celebrating some of the things I have once again noticed during my week in school. I do not think I have had to open a door for myself this week, such are the good manners of the children (I shall try my best not to start expecting it elsewhere!). I would like to thank all the children who have been so excited to share their learning with me this week. I have barely been able to step into a classroom without someone wanting to share in their learning and achievement, which makes my day all the better. A standout moment for me was seeing one of our children rushing to share a positive note with their parent, and the enthusiastic response they got in return. We sometimes forget how much small gestures can make such a big difference.

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend, and I look forward to seeing everyone refreshed and ready on Tuesday.

*Mr Este*

Deputy Headteacher

**Safeguarding**

We all have a duty to safeguard the children in our care and if the school suspects or knows that a child is at risk of significant harm, we will make a referral to Social Services. The school does not investigate any disclosures that children may make, we are a referring agency. Procedures on safeguarding from the Government make it clear that all staff should operate with an 'it could happen here' approach to any concerns they may have. If you have any concerns about a child please telephone the Essex Child and Families Hub on 0345 603 7627.



### **PTFA News**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May  
12 – 2 pm  
Coronation  
Street Party  
with Events  
Families are  
invited.**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup>  
May  
Non-Uniform  
for a Donation**

**For further  
details of all  
events please  
see the attached  
posters.**



Jesus said "Let the children come to me." (Matthew 19:14)  
Courageous Creative Friendly Persevering Responsible Truthful



## Certificate of Achievement Winners

**Class 1:** Amelia  
George

**Class 2:** Eddie  
Mark

**Class 3:** Henry  
John Joe

**Class 4:** Albi  
Rebecca

## House points

This week's winners are:

**D'Arcy**

## Weekly Statistics

Class	Attendance %	Lates
1	93	1
2	96	0
3	99	1
4	97	2

School Week – 95%

Whole School Academic Year – 93%

(Target 97%)

*Well Done to Class 3 for attendance and Class 2 for punctuality!*

## Fun 4 kids



**Are now running Themed Fridays. Please see website for details.**

[www.darcyschool.co.uk/fun4kids](http://www.darcyschool.co.uk/fun4kids)

## Diary dates

- 5<sup>th</sup> May – PTFA Coronation Family Street Party and Events
- 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> May – SATs week
- 24<sup>th</sup> May – Class 3 Sharing Assembly
- 24<sup>th</sup> May 3.30 pm – School v. Heybridge Netball
- 5<sup>th</sup> June – Whole School Trip : Colchester Zoo
- 9<sup>th</sup> June – Whole School Sports and Family Picnic
- 12<sup>th</sup> June – 2 Johns Event
- 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> June – House Games

## Inset Days

26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Dear God,

Thank you Lord for all that we have. Be with those who are suffering.

Give us courage in our daily lives.

In Jesus name

Amen

Christian Value: Courageous

