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Weekly Newsletter

Friday 29th September 2023

Believe

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Head of School's Message

I cannot believe that there are only three more weeks of school until the Half Term Break! We are really enjoying this academic year and there is a wonderful air of positivity around the school.

We finished the week with a fabulous Harvest Festival at the Church ably led by Linda. Each class delivered a prayer, song, poem or reading to the whole school – what great courage and confidence. Thank you for the kind donations to the Village Larder; the community is very grateful.

A special mention to our Year R pupils who walked to the church very sensibly and they sang a beautiful song – what an achievement on their very first trip to the church! We are very proud of you all.

I am delighted to let you know that next week, we will be joined by Mrs Norman in order to increase SENDco support. This will be on a temporary basis. Mrs Norman is an experienced SENDco from another school in the Canonium Trust. We will work closely together to ensure the best outcomes for all of our learners.

Each week, we are continuing to develop the environment. We now have forward facing bookcases in each classroom and a delivery of hundreds of new books for the children to enjoy.

A polite reminder that the car park is allocated to staff only (unless you have shown a blue badge to the school). This is in place to keep our children safe. Mrs Bowring does a fantastic job at ensuring the children can cross the road safely so please do not park directly outside of the school as this causes congestion and can also be unsafe. I am unapologetic in children's safety being our priority. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend,

Miss Reece



PTFA News:

PTFA events are coloured blue on the academic dates that were sent out this week.

Excellent Punctuality:

Excellent learners attend school on time. We celebrate punctuality. Each week, the class with the top punctuality will be noted below:

Class 1 – well done!

Stars of the Week: These learners have been awarded a certificate for their outstanding conduct this week:

Class 1:	Lexi	Etta	Class 2:	Charlotte	Jordan
Class 3:	Rory	Beatrice	Class 4:	Alexandra	Lila

Miss Barber gave a certificate to three more stars of the week that she noticed collecting litter (without even being asked to!) What fabulous role models. Thank you to: Charlotte, Grace and Tillie.

Fun 4 kids



Spaces available Monday-Friday Breakfast Club and Monday, Thursday After School Club - please sign up using the link:

<u>https://www.fun4kidscolchester.co.uk/contact-us</u> - we look forward to welcoming your children into our setting. For more information on what we offer, please contact:

tolleshuntdarcy@fun4kidscolchester.co.uk

Parish Council Competition Winners:



Congratulations to our safety competition winners who all won a Smyths voucher. A big thank you to the Parish Council and Mrs Barwick for arranging this event and raising the awareness of keeping everyone safe.

Give them wisdom to know when to shy away from potential harm, both physically and spiritually (Deuteronomy 33:12).

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.