



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 19th April 2024

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Head of School's Message,

A very warm welcome to the final term of this academic year! I hope that everyone enjoyed a restful but exciting Easter Break.

Forest School: Due to the extremely generous fund raising by our fabulous PTFA, your kind donations and the hard work of Mrs Russell and our staff, we have everything that we need for Forest School to be open to the whole-school. Each child will finish the academic year having at least four sessions of Forest School. A timetable and kit list is being finalised and this will be sent out to you by the end of next week at the latest. Our youngest learners have thoroughly enjoyed their experience of Forest School and their confidence is soaring.

Reception Intake: I am delighted to inform you that we had Darcy's highest ever request for places at our school. We are overjoyed that the wider community join us in knowing that the children, staff, governors and parents at Darcy are committed to providing our pupils with the best education possible. We look forward to welcoming our new learners in September.

Next Week: We have a busy but exciting week next week. Class 1 parents are invited to join us to watch their Sharing Assembly on Thursday at 2.45pm. We are exciting to hear all about their learning. Also on Thursday, Class 3 are off to Layer Marney to learn all about Tudor times.

Ofsted: As you will know, at the end of last half term, we welcomed Ofsted to our wonderful school. The final report will be released to us very soon. My intention is to invite parents and carers into school, just before pick up, so that we can review the report together, in the school hall. This will be on the day that we receive the report as it is published publicly soon after it's received by us. I understand that it might not be possible for everyone to attend at such short notice so I will ensure that a copy is emailed to you by the end of the same day.

PTFA and Village Fete: Save the date! The PTFA are holding a Summer Fete on Saturday the 1st June 2024. We hope that you can make it. The Christmas event was an incredible fund raising opportunity of the school so we have no doubt that the Summer Fete will be the same. The PTFA will provide us with posters and more information soon. We thank them all in advance for their hard work, time and passion for our school.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend,

Miss Reece



PTFA News:

1st June:

**PTFA and
 Village Fete**

Excellent Punctuality:

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

Class 2 well done!

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

Class 1:	Winter	Michael	Class 2:	Jordan	Annie
Class 3:	Frankie & Joshua	David & Jaxon	Class 4:	Mia	Ewan

Here is a list of important dates for your diaries – I hope this is helpful:

Summer Term Dates:

April:

29th – 12th April EASTER BREAK
25th Class 1 Sharing Assembly (Class 1 Parents invited) 2.45 pm

May:

May 6th May Day Bank Holiday – School Closed
13th – 16th YR6 SATs week
[17th PTFA Non-Uniform Day](#)
27th – 31st HALF TERM

June:

3rd INSET DAY – School Closed
5th KS2 Running Race Finals (KS2 Parents invited) 1.30-3 pm
12th KS2 Production (KS2 Parents invited) 9.15 am and 3.30 pm
[13th PTFA Father Figure's Day Shop](#)
[14th PTFA Father Figure's afternoon](#)
28th Family picnic / Sports Day (All parents invited) 1.30 – 3 pm

July:

July 10th Family picnic / Sports Day (alternative date in case of bad weather)
[TBC PTFA End of Year Disco](#)
16th Leavers Celebration Afternoon (Year 6 parents invited) (school time pm)
19th Final day of the academic year
22nd INSET DAY – School Closed
23rd INSET DAY – School Closed
24th SUMMER BREAK

Dear Lord, thank you for bringing us back together safely after a celebration of your sacrifice over the Easter Break. Help us to enjoy warmer weather and the joy of the summer term respectfully and safely. Amen.

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.