



Dear Parent/Carer,

It really does feel as if the children have never been away! They are quite remarkable - and we have all been humbled by their ability to adapt to the ever-changing circumstances this year. Their resilience is amazing! I know they are thoroughly enjoying being back at school and learning alongside their friends. Although we are prioritising Maths, English and physical activity in these three weeks, the children are still experiencing a balanced curricular diet of the Arts, Science, RE and the Humanities. I saw some wonderful art in Year 2 this week.

## COMIC RELIEF

We are looking forward to Comic Relief Day today when we will be taking part in the Red Nose Day Dance Challenge being run

by the School Sports Partnership. The theme is smiling and laughter and will be led by sports coaches on zoom - I'm sure it will be super fun! If you are looking for some fun and laughter this evening or over the weekend, Comic Relief have put together some great family challenges where you need to work as a family to complete a mission - something to do at the weekend! [The Family Challenge | Comic Relief](#) Please tag us on Twitter if you take part! @Thundersley\_P\_S

## Communication

Now that we are back in school, we will return to our normal channels of communication and the Year Group emails will not be in use. If you need to speak to your child's class teacher, please email or call the office who will give them the message or catch them at the end of the day at pick up. Please do not email individual teachers. The support email address is still active but should only be used if you need to inform me of out of hours COVID cases or need to access support for your family.

## COVID



Just a reminder that if anyone in your family has symptoms of Covid, the whole family must isolate and that person should get

a test. Touch wood, we have no cases in school since before half term, but one of the other ROBUS schools had two classes isolate this week, so please be extra vigilant if your child or any other family member is unwell.

Finally, A huge thank you to our super PTA for organising the Mothers' Day Present palace last week - the children loved buying gifts for someone special and we were so grateful that you found the time to wrap all those hundreds of presents!

Have lovely weekend - and stay safe.

Miss E. Dawson,  
Headteacher

## Attendance



For the week ended 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021 there were **eleven** classes who achieved 97% attendance or above.

Well done to Owls, Bears,

Ants and Kestrels who all achieved 100%! They will be sharing looking after Attendance Ted next week and will receive a £10 Amazon voucher to spend on something for their class. We have a number of children who have medical conditions which mean that they have to have time off school for appointments and therefore their data is not included in these figures.

Attendance figures:-

Congratulations to this week's winners  
**Owls, Bears, Ants & Kestrels**

Class	Week	Year to date
Chipmunks	93.7%	97.2%
Dragonflies	97.2%	94.3%
Rabbits	99.7%	97.7%
Frogs	96.8%	98.4%
Dormice	95.3%	96.0%
Ladybirds	96.8%	98.9%
Robins	97.0%	96.3%
Doves	98.6%	95.5%
Owls	100%	97.0%
Bears	100%	98.0%
Foxes	95.7%	98.2%
Ants	100%	93.9%
Sparrows	98.1%	98.1%
Voles	99.1%	97.2%
Badgers	98.0%	97.8%
Kestrels	100%	96.4%
Squirrels	87.4%	94.3%
Whole School	97.1%	96.9%

Aspirational attendance target set for the school for 2020 - 2021 is:

97%

## Summer Uniform

Please note that when the children return after the Easter break, they are required to wear our Summer uniform which is:-

Boys:- Yellow Polo shirt (School logo)  
Grey trousers or shorts  
Grey sweatshirt (School logo)  
Sturdy shoes/trainers

Girls:- Yellow Gingham dress  
Yellow Polo shirt (School logo)  
Grey trousers or skirt  
Grey cardigan (School logo)  
Sturdy shoes/trainers

Please also note the following:-

Children with shoulder length or longer hair must have it tied back during the school day.





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Children must not wear nail varnish or makeup.

Children may wear stud earrings only (which **must** be removed for P.E.)

### School Crossing Patrol Vacancy



Do you know someone who would like a rewarding opportunity within the community? We currently have a vacancy for a School Crossing Patrol Officer at

this school. No experience is required and full training and uniform is provided. The role is part time and term time, assisting pupils and other pedestrians to safely cross the road. If you are interested or know someone who may be interested and want to find out more - please visit [www.workingforessex.com](http://www.workingforessex.com) or call the School Crossing Patrol Service on 03330 139788 or email your details to [school.crossingpatrol@essex.gov.uk](mailto:school.crossingpatrol@essex.gov.uk). Thank you.

### Polite Reminder

### Water Bottles

Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle in school every day in order to keep hydrated. Thank you.



### TCS Menu change



Just a polite reminder that the menu for Week 3 (next week) was changed at the

beginning of this academic year to the following:-

### Thursdays - Lasagne

Thank you.

### eSchools App



As you are aware, our main form of parent/carer communication is via the eSchools platform. We kindly ask that you download the eSchools

App, which is free, in order that any messages we send you are not charged to the school. We thank you for your support.

### Twitter

Please keep checking our Twitter feed for various updates/messages:-

@Thundersley\_P\_S

### Honesty is the best policy!

We would like to congratulate the following for handing in money they found recently.

Lily Crawford (Frogs)  
Skylar Player (Frogs)  
Rose Beckford (Dormice)

Well done - you should be very proud of yourselves!

### Stars of the Week

**Year 6:-** George Sayer  
**Year 5:-** Lexcye Nharara, Barney Burgess & Megan Newitt  
**Year 4:-** Alfie Dwyer-St-Pier & Zyhra Avdija  
**Year 3:-** Maxwell Blagg & Serena Hawkins  
**Year 2:-** Zara Higgins & Freddie Troth-Olasebikan  
**Year 1:-** Olivia Dean & Florence Rawles  
**EYFS:-** Oliver Giles and Teddy Richards



### Playground Stars of the Week

Phoebe Barron, Ella McGeown, Cameron MacKenzie, Charlotte Dowsing, Albert O'Connell, Beau Lewis, Dawson Halls, Dylan Savage, Darcie Cowland, Ronnie Ellis, Joseph Sullivan and Kehatoun Dan-The

### House Point Scores

The weekly scores for the House Point groups are:-

1<sup>st</sup> with 982 points - Green Dragons  
2<sup>nd</sup> with 889 points - Golden Eagles  
3<sup>rd</sup> with 818 points - Red Arrows  
4<sup>th</sup> with 809 points - Blue Dolphins



Well done Green Dragons!

Please note that Stars of the Week, Playground Stars of the Week and House Point Scores run a week in arrears.

### Breakfast Club & Treetops After School Club

We offer a Breakfast Club (7.45am to the start of school) and an After School Club called Treetops (3.15pm to 6.00pm) each day. If you are interested in a place for your child and would like more information, please speak to Mrs. Bezel in the Green Building Office.

### Uniform Shops

We would like to advise that we now have two uniform shops as follows:-

Penn UK,  
15-17 Kents Hill Road,  
South Benfleet,  
Essex, SS7 5PN.  
Telephone:- 01268 751724

[www.pennuk.com](http://www.pennuk.com)

Danielle's Uniform,  
Claydons Lane,  
Rayleigh,  
Essex, SS6 7UP.  
Telephone 01268 967542

[www.daniellesshop.co.uk](http://www.daniellesshop.co.uk)





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## PTA News

### Mothers' Day Present Palace

We hope that if you received one of our PTA Mothers' Day Present Palace presents you were pleased. Thank you for supporting this event, we made £383.81 profit.

## Community News

We have been requested to inform you of a funeral leaving from 24 The Rundels on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 9.15am which may cause congestion. We kindly ask that you are considerate of this event as it is around the drop off time for school. Thank you.

## Future Term Dates

29/03/21 to 09/04/21 - Easter Break  
12/04/21 - Start of the Summer Term  
03/05/21 - Bank Holiday  
31/05/21 to 04/06/21 - Whitsun Break  
21/07/21 - Last day of Term

02/09/21 - Start of the Autumn Term  
25/10/21 to 29/10/21 - Half Term  
20/12/21 to 03/01/22 - Christmas Break  
04/01/22 - Start of the Spring Term  
14/02/22 to 18/02/22 - Half Term  
04/04/22 to 18/04/22 - Easter Break  
19/04/22 - Start of the Summer Term  
02/05/22 - Bank Holiday  
30/05/22 to 03/06/22 - Whitsun Break  
22/07/22 - Last day of Term

## **\*\*\*\*NON PUPIL DAYS\*\*\*\***

07/06/21  
08/06/21

01/09/21  
Additional Non Pupil Days are yet to be confirmed

