



**Message from Mrs. Gravely**

Happy Friday everyone!

I have been monitoring the parking outside the school on Craven Road, and I am pleased to say it has been so much better. Thank you for making the road safer for our children and local residents.

Year 4 and 5 enjoyed their first forest school session this week. They enjoyed playing games and making dens with their friends in a safe, outside environment.

On Tuesday, the girls netball team played Northwick Park. Unfortunately, they lost 7-5 but Miss Riches and Mrs Westbrook said it was a good game and the girls showed great determination.

We held our reading cafes this week and it was wonderful to see so many parents/carers reading together with their children. The cakes were definitely enjoyed by everyone. It is so important that we can share a love of reading together.

I hope everyone has a lovely weekend and I will look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

**Headteacher Awards**

Our award winners this week are:

- R1M Brailee-Mae
- 12G Macey
- 2R Matei
- 3R Maisie-Ann
- 5DC Scott
- 5FH Jamie
- 6G Max
- 6R Layla-May



Our Dojo Champions this week are:

- Nurture Austin
- R1M Amima
- 12G Bo
- 2R Ellen
- 3R Joey
- 5DC Theo
- 5FH Jessica
- 6G Lilly and Violet
- 6R Shanay

**Lunchtime awards**

Our Midday Assistants awarded two lunchtime awards this week to Hennessey H for being very well behaved and Stanley T for being friendly and helpful.

**Attendance**

Class attendance for Friday 26th January to Thursday 1st February as follows:

Year R/1 R1M	Year 1/2 12G	Year 2 2R
81.4%	91.1%	94.1%

Year 3 3R	Year 4 4W	Year 5 5DC	Year 5 5FH	Year 6 6G	Year 6 6R
96.2%	94.8%	92.8%	92.4%	96.5%	93.2%

Very well done to 6G who had the highest attendance this week, with their attendance being 96.5% and to R1M who had the most improved attendance.

Please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your



child's ill and unable to attend school.

<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>

**If a child is absent from school the parent must follow these procedures:**

Contact the school on the first day of absence before **8.45 am**. The school has an answer phone available to leave a message if nobody is available to take your call, or you may call into school personally and speak to the office staff. You may also send an email to

[attendance@williamread.essex.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@williamread.essex.sch.uk)

Contact the school on every further day of absence, again before **8.45am**. Ensure that your child returns to school as soon as possible and you provide any medical evidence, if requested, to support the absence

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### Foster Carers Needed

Nexus Fostering based in Hornchurch, is a local fostering agency supporting and training foster carers to help and care for local children that are unable to live with their birth families. Unfortunately, the number of children being taken into care in Essex, Northeast London and South London, is increasing so the need for Foster Carers is as urgent as ever.

"At Nexus Fostering based in Hornchurch, we're looking for local people like you to become foster carers. By providing a loving and stable home environment, you can support the increasing number of children and young people in the local area who cannot live in their family homes. Not all children require long-term care. We also need foster carers for short-term placements, respite care, and to provide temporary homes to support young parents and their babies. So, if you have a spare room and are ready to change lives, please give us a call on 01452491980 or email Bridget Fletcher on [bridgetf@nexusfostering.co.uk](mailto:bridgetf@nexusfostering.co.uk)."

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### Pupil Entrance Gate - Long Road

This will be open (unlocked) from 7.30am until 8.45am and 3.05pm until 4.15pm Monday to Friday. It will also be open from 1.25pm until 1.45pm on a Friday.

This gate will no longer be tied back. Please ensure the gate is closed fully behind you.

### Change to contact details

In order to keep our records up to date, please can we remind parents to ensure that the school is notified of any changes to contact details or addresses.

Thank you.

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### Dates for your Diary (please check as dates may change)

#### Monday 5th February

Yr 4 and 5 Forest School session

Yr 5 swimming session

#### Tuesday 6th February

Yr 2 Australia Day assembly, 2.45pm for parents and carers

Netball match at home against Lubbins Park

#### Thursday 8th February

Yr 5 visit to Castle View to watch High School Musical

#### Monday 12th February

Yr 5 swimming session

#### Tuesday 13th February

Sponsored Pancake tossing

Boys football match at home against Lubbins Park

#### Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February

Half Term

#### Monday 26th February

Non pupil day

#### Tuesday 27th February

Year 4 trip to Colchester Castle

#### Thursday 29th February

Year 6 SATS meeting for parents on zoom 9.15am & 6pm

#### Friday 8th March

World Book Day dressing up day

#### Tuesday 12th March

Infant Music Festival for year 2



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## Newsletter

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### **Thursday 14th March**

Year 4 Multiplication check meeting for parents on zoom 9am & 6pm

### **Friday 15th March**

Red Nose Day

### **Tuesday 26th March**

Mrs Moore's class forest school session

Year 6 parent consultations 2pm - 6pm

Reception parent consultations 2pm - 6pm

### **Thursday 28th March**

Grand Easter Egg Raffle

Last day of term

### **Monday 15th April**

Return to school