



**Message from Mrs. Gravely**

I would like to start with acknowledging the outstanding effort and resilience shown by the boys’ football squad on Wednesday. They played 6 gruelling matches and worked together as a team. Well done boys.

Year 6 had their World War 2 day, where they were visited by a WW2 historian. Furthermore, the children then worked in teams to plan, construct, decorate and evaluate their own WW2 air raid shelters.

It has been an exciting week as our clubs have started. Remember children can be earning hours for their Children’s University passport.

I would just like to acknowledge the achievement that Mrs Lane was celebrated for this week as she received her MBE at Windsor Castle for her dedication to Education in Essex. The children enjoyed making class congratulation cards and Mrs Lane sends her thanks and appreciation.

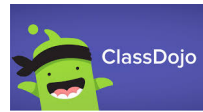
I am sure you will agree that across the school the children have been demonstrating one of our core values of teamwork this week. Well done William Read.

We are pleased to announce we have a food bank at William Read. We will have a delivery everyday. This is available from the school reception office. Please come and take what you need.

**Headteacher Awards**

Our award winners this week are:

- R1M McKenzie Preston-Bryant
- 12G Sophia Hickin
- 2R Bryana Randall
- 3R Oliver Crabb
- 4W Summer-Rose Sinclair
- 5DC Madison Turney
- 5FH Nieve Pollard
- 6G Eligiusz Szczepanek
- 6R Melissa Howe



Our Dojo Champions this week are:

- R1M Amima Ahmed
- 12G Archie Coltman
- 2R Katie Nichols
- 3R Eliah Huggins
- 4W Jayden Howe
- 5DC Ryan Boulden
- 5FH Jessica Coltman
- 6G Tyler Stimson
- 6R Lauren Gardner

**Lunchtime Awards**

Our Midday Assistants awarded two lunchtime awards this week to Ellen Robinson for being very well behaved and Indie Taylor for being friendly and helpful.

**Change to dinner menu**

Please be advised that due to stock issues there is a change to the dinner on Monday 16th October. Quorn hotdogs will be replaced by vegan bolognese pasta. Apologies for any inconvenience.

**Attendance**

Class attendance for Friday 6th October to Thursday 12th October is as follows:

Year R/1 R1M	Year 1/2 12G	Year 2 2R
65.7%	95.2%	96.2%

Year 3 3R	Year 4 4W	Year 5 5DC	Year 5 5FH	Year 6 6G	Year 6 6R
97.1%	90%	89.5%	94.4%	93.9%	96.8%



Very well done to 3R, who had the highest attendance this week with 97.1%.

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

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### **Year 6 to 7 secondary admission round for September 2024**

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened on Tuesday, 12 September 2023, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2024. The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2023.

Applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions). 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

All of the application information is available on the website above.

The website also has a copy of the Secondary Education in Essex 2024-25 booklet which contains details of all secondary school admission policies.

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

#### **Wednesday 18th October**

Year 2 Big Box Day

#### **Thursday 19th October**

Year 2 Big Box Day

9.30am School tour for prospective parents

#### **Friday 20th October**

Year 2 Big Box Exhibition at 1.30pm and 3.15pm

#### **Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October**

Half term

#### **Tuesday 31st October**

Reception Sponsored Bounce

Year 1 Hero Day

#### **Wednesday 1st November**

Flu Immunisations

#### **Monday 6th November**

Year 5 Road Safety Walk

#### **Tuesday 7th November**

Year 5 Road Safety Walk

9.30am School tour for prospective parents

#### **Tuesday 7th November**

Year 4 Brazilian Carnival Day

#### **Thursday 16th November**

Year 5 Viking Day

#### **Tuesday 21st November**

Year 1 Florence Nightingale

#### **Thursday 23rd November**

Reception Road Safety Presentation

#### **Thursday 30th November**

Staff training day (Non pupil day)

#### **Friday 1st December**

Staff training day (Non pupil day)

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