



**Message from Mrs. Gravely**

This week we invited a special visitor into William Read. Florence Nightingale visited the children in year 1 and told them information about her life and how important she is to modern day nursing. The children enjoyed pretending to be a nurse with Florence.

The Reception children enjoyed inviting their parents and carers into school to learn about road safety. The children enjoyed this session immensely.

I would like to congratulate all the children in years 3-5 who have worked extremely hard in their termly assessments this week. They have shown great perseverance and resilience. We are very proud of them all.

Sadly, our girls football match against Northwick Park was cancelled on Thursday but we have rearranged it for next Wednesday. Good luck girls!

I would just like to remind you that although we do have an early finish of 1.30pm on a Friday, it is still very important that the children do attend school on this day. We do not want the children to miss out on any crucial learning on a Friday.

I wish everyone a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Please remember we have two teacher training days on Thursday 30th November and Friday 1st December.

**Headteacher Awards**

Our award winners this week are:

- R1M Ella-Louise
- 12G Lexie
- 2R Matei and Ethan
- 3R Alfie
- 4W Millie
- 5DC Dulcie
- 5FH Ronnie
- 6G Tyler
- 6R Shanay



Our Dojo Champions this week are:

- R1M Jake
- 12G Anaiyah
- 2R Bobby
- 3R Lawson
- 4W Selim
- 5DC Mason
- 5FH Lacey-Mae
- 6G Emir
- 6R Kelsie

**Lunchtime Awards**

Our Midday Assistants awarded two lunchtime awards this week to Zachary in Reception for being very well behaved and Jamie in year 5 for being friendly and helpful.

**Attendance**

Class attendance for Friday 17th November to Thursday 23rd November is as follows:

Year R/1 R1M	Year 1/2 12G	Year 2 2R
90%	92.8%	90%

Year 3 3R	Year 4 4W	Year 5 5DC	Year 5 5FH	Year 6 6G	Year 6 6R
94.3%	96.2%	97.4%	96.1%	96.1%	99.1%

Very well done to 6R again this week, who had the highest attendance, with their attendance being 99.1% and to R1M who had the most improved attendance.

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child's ill and unable to attend school.

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

We still have a number of children that are not attending school for minor ailments including stomach aches and headaches. Your child/children do not have to be absent from school for these reasons. Parents/carers are able to come to the school office to administer medicines ie. Calpol, during the school day.

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### 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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As you may be aware, the primary school (Reception) admission round opened on **Monday 6 November 2023**, for parents of children to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2024.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2024**.

From **6 November 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 [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions) also has a copy of the Primary Education in Essex 2024-25 booklet and the Schools Admissions Policies Directories contain details of all admission policies.

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

### Thursday 30th November

Staff training day (Non pupil day)

### Friday 1st December

Staff training day (Non pupil day)

### Monday 4th December

Year 4, 5 and 6 Christmas images to go on website  
Santa Run

### Tuesday 5th December

2.00pm - 5.00pm Reception, Year 1 and 2 Parent Consultations

### Wednesday 6th December

2.00pm - 5.00pm Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Parent Consultations

### Thursday 7th December

Mayor's Concert - afternoon

### Friday 8th December

Christmas Jumper Day

### Monday 11th December

9.15am - 9.45am Class R1M Christmas Concert  
10.00am - 10.30am Class 12G Christmas Concert  
Christmas Raffle tickets go on sale  
Christmas Post Box opens

### Tuesday 12th December

9.15am - 9.45am Class 2R Christmas Concert  
10.00am - 10.30am Class 3R Christmas Concert  
Christmas Dinner Day

### Wednesday 13th December

2.15pm Carol Service at St. Nicholas Church for Reception, Year 1 and 2

### Thursday 14th December

2.15pm Carol Service at St. Nicholas Church for Year 3, 4, 5 and 6

### Monday 18th December

Reception, Year 1 and 2 Christmas Parties

### Tuesday 19th December

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Christmas Parties  
2.00pm Year 1 and 2 Christingle at St. Nicholas Church

### Wednesday 20th December

School finishes at 1.30pm

**Thursday 21 December 2023 -  
Wednesday 3rd January 2024**



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