



Welcome to the Children's University Newsletter!
We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support in Children's University
School Children's University Coordinators are

Miss Riches

The Essex Children's University<sup>™</sup> is a part of the national Children's University<sup>™</sup> organisation that provides 7 to 14 year olds (and 5 and 6 year olds learning with their families) with exciting and innovative learning activities and experiences outside normal school hours.

Please find a temporary passport with this letter. Please encourage your children to get this filled in when they attend clubs in and out of school. Once they have 10 hours in this passport, then it can exchange this for a real passport available from Miss Riches for a fee of £5. This will allow children to try things out before making the commitment to Children's University. Hours will be transferred from the temporary passports. If your child already has a full passport, then please continue to use that. Lost passports can be replaced by purchasing one from the office for £5.

If your child has previously been a part of the Children's University then please count up their collected hours and dojo Miss Riches with the total number of hours. These will then be recorded. If we do not receive the current hours total children will start back at zero hours.

## Learning Destinations

Learning Destination can range from a museum to a farm or from an airport to a university, as long as the learning activity connects with study you can undertake at University for the 'grown ups'. Learning Destinations display the CU Learning destinations logo prominently inside and outside their environment, clearly visible to children who may want to use their Passport to Learning.

At a Learning Destination, Children's University students can get their Passport to Learning stamped so they can log their hours. Places which provide Children's University validated learning activities and which are publicly accessible, such as museums, wildlife centres, castles, zoos, sports coaching, libraries, theatres etc. Children can also gain hours from school clubs.

Look out for the Children's University Logo!

## Some Local Learning Destinations

**Budding Chefs**, Canvey Island

Canvey Community Archive History Trail, Canvey Island

Canvey Island RUFC, Canvey Island

Canvey Island Swimming Club, Canvey Island

Canvey Island Transport Museum, Canvey Island

**Dutch Cottage Museum**, Canvey Island

iDance Academy, Canvey Island

Island Girls Soccer School, Canvey Island

Mala Dance, Canvey Island

Mornington Boys Football Club, Canvey Island

Phoenix Karate Club, Canvey Island

Star Studios of Performing Arts, Canvey Island

Talents Theatre School, Canvey Island

Waterside Farm Leisure Centre, Canvey Island

Please search online for more destinations. Please check with your club to see if they are registered.

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## Graduations

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Graduations are currently held annually at a local Secondary School. The children will receive an invitation once they have collected 30, 65 and 100 hours and in those increments thereafter.

As we approach a graduation we will ask for the children to bring in their passports so that hours can be counted and recorded. Children who have reached the hours' thresholds will be invited to Graduation.

## Children's University Links

- Facebook page Essex Children's University
- Twitter @EssexCU
- CU app available through the App store or for android
- www.essexchildrensuniversity.co.uk

You can receive regular newsletters from Essex CU if you send an email to <a href="mailto:admin@essexchildrensuniversity.co.uk">admin@essexchildrensuniversity.co.uk</a> and ask to subscribe to the newsletter.