



**Message from Mrs. Gravely**

It was lovely to see all the children back in school after the half term holiday looking refreshed and ready to learn.

Year 4 had a fantastic day at Colchester Castle on Tuesday. They enjoyed learning about life in the Roman times and looking at Roman artefacts. Staff reported that the behaviour of year 4 was exemplary. Well done year 4. Yesterday, the girls football team played Holy Family in Benfleet. Sadly they lost 4-2 but they fought hard in wet and muddy conditions. Well played girls.

A group of eager and enthusiastic year 6 pupils played a series of dodgeball games against Northwick Park earlier in the week. It was very competitive but also very enjoyable. Well played everyone.

Next week sees the spring term clubs starting. They run for 3 weeks and I am looking forward to hearing about all the exciting activities the children will be participating in. Don't forget next Friday is our dress up day for World Book Day. I am sure it will be another fun and enjoyable day for our William Read pupils.

Have a lovely weekend!

**Headteacher Awards**

Our award winners this week are:

- R1M Kore
- 12G Jacob L
- 2R Bobby
- 3R Whole class
- 4W Dollie
- 5DC Oakley
- 5FH Nieve
- 6G Lilly
- 6R Reggie-Harry

Our Dojo Champions this week are:

- Nurture George
- R1M Jake
- 12G Bo
- 2R Charlie
- 3R Maisie-Ann and Alfred
- 4W Lily-Mae
- 5DC Taylor
- 5FH Layla
- 6G Elijah
- 6R Diana

**Lunchtime awards**

Our Midday Assistants awarded two lunchtime awards this week to Ved for being friendly and helpful and Tommy for being well behaved.

**Attendance**

Class attendance for Friday 16th February to Thursday 29th February (not including half term) as follows:

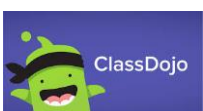
Year R/1 R1M	Year 1/2 12G	Year 2 2R
83.9%	97.7%	86.7%

Year 3 3R	Year 4 4W	Year 5 5DC	Year 5 5FH	Year 6 6G	Year 6 6R
96.2%	93.5%	89.6%	91.2%	90.8%	96.4%

Very well done to 12G who had both the highest attendance this week, with their attendance being 97.7% and 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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#### **Late arrival at school**

We have a number of children that are late in the morning. If your child is going to be late for school and require a school dinner please inform the school office before 10.00am. Any children arriving after 10.30am who have not advised us, will not be provided with a hot meal.

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#### **Collection arrangements**

If someone else is collecting your child at the end of the school day, please can you contact the school office to advise. Thank you.

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

#### **Friday 8th March**

World Book Day dressing up day

#### **Tuesday 12th March**

Infant Music Festival for year 2

#### **Thursday 14th March**

Year 4 Multiplication check meeting for parents on zoom 9am & 5pm

#### **Friday 15th March**

Red Nose Day

#### **Tuesday 19th March**

Yr 3 History Day

#### **Friday 22nd March**

Clubs Celebration Day

#### **Monday 25th March**

Class Photos

#### **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

#### **Wednesday 17th April**

Year 6 Harry Potter trip  
Year 2 SATs meeting - Zoom

#### **Monday 22nd April - Friday 26th April**

Book Fair after school

#### **Monday 22nd April**

RSE meetings for year 1, 2 and 3 on Zoom  
9am and 5pm

#### **Wednesday 24th April**

Yr 1 Phonics Screening Check meetings for parents on Zoom - 9am & 5pm

#### **Thursday 25th April**

Canvey Cross Country - Years 3 - 6

#### **Tuesday 30th April**

Yr 6 Residential Trip meeting 5.00pm  
RSE meeting Year 4 - Zoom

#### **Wednesday 1st May**

Hi - 5 Competition

#### **Wednesday 8th May**

Reception after school clubs starting for three weeks

#### **Monday 20th May**

Year 2 Boydells Farm trip



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### **Tuesday 21st May**

Year 5 Colchester Zoo trip  
RSE meeting Year 6 - Zoom 9am and 5pm

### **Wednesday 22nd May**

Rounders Competition at Deanes School

### **Thursday 23rd May**

Yr 4 - 6 Sports Day Afternoon

### **Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May**

Half term

### **Monday 3rd June**

Return to school  
Year 3 Sealife Centre trip

### **Tuesday 4th June**

Reception, Yr 1 and 2 Forest School session

### **Wednesday 5th June**

Girls Cricket Festival

### **Thursday 6th June**

Reception, Yr 1, 2 and 3 Sports Day Afternoon

### **Monday 10th June**

Mrs Moore's class Petting Farm at Northwick  
KS1 Cricket at Deanes

### **Tuesday 11th June**

Junior Music Festival at the Cliffs Pavilion  
Reception, Yr 1 and 2 Forest School session

### **Wednesday 12th June - Friday 14th June**

Year 6 Residential trip

### **Tuesday 18th June**

Year 1 Colchester Castle trip

### **Wednesday 19th June**

Mrs Roger's class Summer Games at Deanes  
Year 4 and 5 Forest School Session

### **Thursday 20th June**

Music Concert - time and details tbc

### **Friday 21st June**

Staff Training Day

### **Monday 24th June**

Staff Training Day

### **Tuesday 25th June**

Year 4 Writtle College

### **Wednesday 26th June**

Year 4 and 5 Forest School session  
Canvey Cricket Festival - pm

### **Thursday 27th June**

Year 6 Careers Fair at Northwick Park  
Intake meeting for new reception children 9.30am

### **Friday 28th June**

Year 6 visit secondary schools

### **Monday 1st July**

Year 5 Sports Taster Day at Northwick Park

### **Tuesday 2nd July**

Reception and Year 1 Summer Concerts  
Canvey Awards

### **Wednesday 3rd July**

Swimming Gala - am  
Summer Fair after school

### **Thursday 4th July**

Year 2 Sports Northwick Park  
Open Evening

### **Monday 8th July**

Year 5 to Cornelius Vermuyden  
Year 6 afternoon performance of leavers show

### **Tuesday 9th July**

Parent Consultations

### **Wednesday 10th July**

Year 5 to Castle View  
Year 6 Leavers show evening performance

### **Thursday 11 July**

Parent Consultations

### **Monday 15 July**

Stay and Play for new reception intake



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Stay and Play for new reception intake  
Canvey Sports - am

### **Wednesday 17th July**

Stay and Play for new reception intake

### **Thursday 18th July**

Mrs Moore's class Call of the Wild trip

### **Friday 19th July**

Outside picnic assembly 11am

### **Monday 22nd July**

Year 6 Leavers Disco - 5pm - 7pm

### **Tuesday 23rd July**

Leavers Assembly 1.30pm  
Last Day of Term