



Message from Mrs. Gravely

William Read is now in full Christmas spirit! The Christmas post box has been overflowing every day and the children are excited for our Christmas raffle. Tickets are 20p each and will be on sale until next Friday.

On Thursday we wore Christmas jumpers whilst raising funds for Save the Children charity. We raised £67.00. The children also enjoyed their Santa runs, especially the hot chocolate and biscuits around the fire in forest school. Staff worked hard to decorate the area so the children could enjoy Santa's grotto and Christmas music. A big thank you to Mrs Clark and Mrs Coombes who dressed up as Santa and the Elf.

Today the children have been busy making Christmas decorations, they were excited to bring them home to put on their tree.

It was lovely to see so many parents at our parent consultations this week. It was a celebration of how well the children have worked this term and lovely to hear so many positive comments from both teachers and parents. Staff and children are really looking forward to lots of exciting Christmas events next week.

Have a lovely weekend!



Headteacher Awards

Our award winners this week are:

- RG Devon
- 12M Madison
- 23DH Harrison
- 3R Ivy
- 4W Chloe
- 5HD Summer
- 6CA Tabitha



Our Dojo Champions this week are:

- Nurture Isaac
- RG Ella D
- 12M Ved
- 23DH Millie
- 3R Julius
- 4W Alfred and Henry
- 5HD Mia
- 6CA Ann-Marie



Maths Awards

Our award winners this week are:

Bronze Number Bonds

- Ernie - 12M
- Brailee-Mae - 12M
- Hennessey - 23DH

Silver Number Bonds

- Aariz - 23DH
- Evie - 3R

Gold Number Bonds

- Zachary - 12M
- Eoin - 23DH

Bronze Times Tables

- Lennon - 3R
- Sophie - 4W
- Theo - 4W
- Ann-Marie - 6CA
- Tabitha - 6CA



Silver Times Tables

- Sophie - 4W
- Theo - 4W
- Oliver - 4W
- Jesse - 4W
- Marliee-Rose - 6CA
- Ann-Marie - 6CA
- Tabitha - 6CA

Gold Times Tables

- Theo - 4W
- Jesse - 4W

Platinum Times Tables

- Eilah - 4W
- Theo - 4W
- Spenser - 4W
- Jesse - 4W

Attendance

Class attendance for Wednesday 4th December 2024 to Thursday 12th December 2024 as follows:

Year R RG	Year 1/2 12M	Year 2/3 23DH
94.5%	85.8%	85.9%

Year 3 3R	Year 4 4W	Year 5 5HD	Year 6 6CA
94.7%	99.3%	88%	93.8%

A big well done to **4W** this week who had the highest attendance, with their attendance being **99.3%**.

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

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

As you may be aware, the primary school (Reception) admission round opened on **Monday 4 November 2024**, for parents of children to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2025.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2025**.

From 4 November 2024, applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

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

The website www.essex.gov.uk/admissions also has a copy of the Primary Education in Essex 2025-26 booklet and the Schools Admissions Policies Directories contain details of all admission policies.

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

Monday 16th December

- Santa visit on playground
- Choir singing at Knightswick Centre 1.30pm - parents welcome

Tuesday 17th December

- Christmas dinner

Wednesday 18th December

- Christmas parties



Thursday 19th December

Carol Concert at St Nicholas Church - parents welcome
1.30pm

Friday 20th December

Christmas Raffle draw
School finishes at 2pm for Christmas
(Friday afternoon club open 2:00pm - 3:15pm)

Monday 6th January 2025

Spring term begins - Children back to school

Canvey Island School Uniform Bank

Every Thursday 10am - 2pm in the Community Suite,
Castle View School.
Every item is free.

