



**Message from Mrs. Gravely**

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a lovely half term break. It was lovely to finally see the sun shining today.

Forest School

The children in years 3, 4 and 5 enjoyed their forest school session. They worked together to make dens which was great fun. The children enjoyed making bracelets, exploring the outdoors and toasting marshmallows. They will have their second session on Wednesday 5th March. Don't forget to wear your forest school clothes and bring your wellies to school.

Netball

The girls played against Leigh Beck Juniors on Tuesday. Although they lost 8-3, it was a great match and the girls demonstrated good team spirit.

Year 6 anti-social behaviour workshop

Year 6 invited PC Hill into school on Thursday. He spoke to the children about anti-social behaviour in the community. The children were very mature and asked some excellent questions.

ACL parent workshop

We held another parent workshop on setting boundaries with your children. These free courses are so valuable to our parents and we are receiving some amazing feedback. Please look out for the next course. They also offer free courses on-line. Please find the courses on the website:

<https://aclessex.com/courses/community-family-learning>

Year 5 Amazing Inventors Day

Year 5 came to school dressed as scientists yesterday as part of the introduction to their new topic 'Amazing Inventors.' The children decorated their pet egg and gave it a name. They also carried out a science 'eggsperiment', testing different materials so their egg had a safe landing. It was a fun day full of valuable learning experiences.

Water Safety Assembly

Today, we invited the fire service into assembly to talk to the children about water safety. As we live on an island, it is important we educate our children how to be safe around water.

Have a lovely weekend and I hope the sun continues to shine.

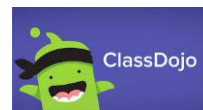
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**Headteacher Awards**

Our award winners this week are:

RG	Hannah
12M	Zachary
23DH	Jacob
3R	Charlie
4W	Jamie
5HD	Raife
6CA	Ryan



Our Dojo Champions this week are:

RG	Georgie
12M	Albie
23DH	Eva-Maria
3R	Calli-Grace
4W	Oliver C
5HD	Summer-Rose
6CA	Ann-Marie

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**Maths Awards**

Our award winners this week are:

**Silver Number Bonds**

Kore - 12M

Hennessy - 23DH

**Gold Number Bonds**

Josie - 3R

Ellen - 3R

**Bronze Times Tables**

Anthony - 4W

**Attendance**

Class attendance for Friday 14th February 2025 to Thursday 28th February 2025 as follows:

Year R RG	Year 1/2 12M	Year 2/3 23DH
93%	89.2%	88.5%

Year 3 3R	Year 4 4W	Year 5 5HD	Year 6 6CA
97.3%	94.1%	95.2%	94.7%

A big well done to **3R** this week who had the highest attendance, with their attendance being **97.3%**.

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](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 medical evidence, if requested, to support the absence.

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

**Monday 3rd March**

Year 4 Colchester Castle trip

**Tuesday 4th March**

Sponsored Pancake Tossing

Bedtime stories for children and parents 5:00pm

**Wednesday 5th March**

Years 3, 4 and 5 Forest School

**Thursday 6th March**

World Book Day - dressing up

**Monday 10th March**

Training Day – Non-pupil day

**Tuesday 11th March**

Infant Music Festival 2DH

**Wednesday 12th March**

Year 4 French Cafe

**Thursday 13th March**

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check meeting for parents

**Friday 14th March**

Red Nose Day



**Monday 17th March**

Year 3 History Day  
Swimming Year 4 and 5  
Clubs start

**Wednesday 19th March**

Year 1 and 2 Forest School  
Dodgeball Competition

**Thursday 20th March**

Year 6 Harry Potter trip

**Monday 24th March**

Year 4 and 5 swimming

**Wednesday 26th March**

Year 1 and 2 Forest School

**Friday 28th March**

Club Celebration day

**Monday 31st March**

Last week for clubs

**Tuesday 1st April**

Year 6 parent consultations  
Year 6 height and weight checks

**Wednesday 2nd April**

Reception Forest School

**Thursday 3rd April**

Canvey Cross Country

**Friday 4th April**

Grand Easter Egg raffle

**Monday 7th - Monday 21st April**

Easter Holiday

**Tuesday 22nd April**

Children return to school

**Canvey Island School Uniform Bank**

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

