



Message from Mrs. Gravely

What a busy week! The children in years 3, 4 and 5 have completed their reading and maths assessments this week. Well done for your hard work, we are very proud of you.

The boys football team played against Northwick Park yesterday afternoon. It was a great match and Mr Spence was impressed with the improvements shown throughout the game. Although we lost 7-3, it was a great match and everyone enjoyed the experience.

The netball team played against Thundersley Primary on Tuesday. The opponents were a very strong side but William Read never gave up and demonstrated great perseverance and determination.

23R travelled to Deanes on Wednesday for the 'Winter Games'. The children represented the school brilliantly and were a credit to us. They were able to participate in a range of games to demonstrate dribbling and passing skills as well as dance moves. A fun afternoon for all.

In assembly today we celebrated the children's achievements both in school and outside of school. I am especially proud of the children who have earned social award points this week. These acts of kindness include donating to charity, making bracelets for children less fortunate than ourselves and a boy in year 5 has cut his hair off and donated it to the Little Princess Trust. Well done Alfie, we are very proud of you.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.



Headteacher Awards

Our award winners this week are:

- RG Milo
- 1W Harrison P
- 23R Whole class
- 34DY Eoin
- 4R Ellen
- 5CH Adam
- 6G Isla



Our Dojo Champions this week are:

- Nurture Freddie
- RG Freddie T
- 1W Ella H
- 23R Elena
- 34DY Anaiyah
- 4R Ivy
- 5CH Millie
- 6G Millie M



Happiness Hero Awards

- 1W Florence
- 23R CJ
- 34DY Nova
- 4R Max
- 5CH Eilah
- 6G Samuel



Maths Awards

Our award winners this week are:

Silver Times Tables

- Ellen - 4R
- Max - 4R

Gold Times Tables

- Sophie - 4R

Platinum Times Tables

- Sophie - 4R



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Newsletter

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Achievement

Respect

Responsibility

Teamwork

TT Rock Stars

- 1st - Dollie 6G
- 2nd - Mia L - 4R
- 3rd - Indie - 6G

Attendance

Class attendance for Friday 21st November 2025 to Thursday 27th November 2025 as follows:

Year R RG	Year 1 1W	Year 2/3 23R
93.8%	91.4%	88.8%

Year 3/4 34DY	Year 4 4R	Year 5 5CH	Year 6 6G
84.2%	97.9%	95.9%	92.6%

A big well done to **4R** this week who had the highest attendance, with their attendance being **97.9%**.

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 medical evidence, if requested, to support the absence.

As you may be aware, the primary school (Reception) admission round opened on **Monday 10 November 2025**, 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 2026**.

Applications can be made online via 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 also has a copy of the Primary Education in Essex 2026-27 booklet and the Schools Admissions Policies Directories contain details of all admission policies.

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

Monday 1st December

- Years 4 - 6 Christmas videos live on website
- 34DY Christmas Concert at 2.00pm
- RG Christmas Concert at 2.30pm

Tuesday 2nd December

- 1W & 23R Christmas Concert at 2.00pm

Wednesday 3rd December

- Tour for new Reception Sept 26 starters - 2.00pm

Thursday 4th December

- Training Day - School closed

Friday 5th December

- Training Day - school closed



Monday 8th December

Christmas Post Box opens
Christmas Raffle tickets go on sale
Christmas Carol Concert at St. Nicholas Church

Tuesday 9th December

1W and 23R Parent Consultations

Wednesday 10th December

Santa Run and Forest School experience
Christingle at St Nicholas Church for 1W and 23R

Thursday 11th December

Choir singing at CISCA House
34DY, 4R, 5CH and 6G Parent Consultations
Butterfly Room Parent Christmas Crafts
Choir singing at Mayor's Christmas Concert (evening show)

Friday 12th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 15th December

Christmas dinner

Wednesday 17th December

Christmas parties for RG, 1W and 23R

Thursday 18th December

Christmas parties for 34DY, 4R, 5CH and 6G

Friday 19th December

Christmas Raffle being drawn
School finishes for the Christmas Holiday

Monday 5th January

Children return to school



Visit your local

Pharmacy First

Our pharmacy can support you with seven common illnesses (see below for details)

without needing a GP appointment.

Ask us for more information about the service.

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What does the service involve?

It involves pharmacists providing advice & NHS-funded treatment where appropriate for seven common conditions:

1. Sinusitis
2. Sore throat
3. Ear infection in children
4. Infested insect bite
5. Impetigo
6. Shingles
7. Urinary tract infection in women

Ask us for more information about eligibility.
