



Newsletter

Week 1 8th September 2017

Message from Senior Leadership Team

Welcome back after what I hope was a relaxing six week break. The children came in to school very confidently and settled quickly in to their new classes. Thank you for ensuring they were here on time and looking so smart in their uniforms. We would all like to say thank you so much for the lovely cards and gifts received at the end of last term, they were very much appreciated. As you will be aware, the school has continued to grow and we have been joined this term by several new members of staff, I am sure you will join me in welcoming them to East Tilbury. We have also had the happy news of two staff getting married over the summer break. Miss Foroma is now Mrs Chakanyuka and Miss Pullen is now Mrs Warren, we wish them every happiness in married life. We have had confirmation that the school has received funding to improve the facilities on site and accommodate the continued growth. We will keep you updated as plans

Animal Agents – Summer Reading Challenge

If your child started the Summer Reading Challenge and has just a few books to go to finish, there is still time to get their medal. Although the Challenge officially finishes on 16th September you can continue to come and take part up to the end of September. We are open Thursdays and Fridays from 10 to 3.30pm. Baby Rhyme Time commences again on the 8th September 11 – 11.30 and Stay 'n' Play for under 2s is on Thursdays 10 – 11am.

Applying for Secondary Education placement

If your child was born between **1 September 2006 and 31 August 2007** you must apply for a secondary School place for **September 2018**.

Go to Thurrock.gov.uk/admissions and follow the instructions on screen. There you will also be able to open an electronic copy of Thurrock Council's composite prospectus for Thurrock Secondary Schools which you should read before completing an application. You should also go along to School open evenings/days and one of the Council's briefings for Parents before you complete an application: **Thursday 14th September 2017 Civic Hall, Blackshots Lane, Grays, Essex, RM16 2JU from 4:00pm—5:30pm and 7:00-8:30pm**. Offers will be available for online applicants from 12:30pm on 1 March 2018 by logging into your account. If you **do not** complete the application and return it to the closing date of **Tuesday 31st October 2017** you will be allocated a place at a School with space available, after all online applications have been dealt with. Information about the Schools in Thurrock and how to apply for them are in a booklet entitled **Secondary Admission Information September 2018** available online at thurrock.gov.uk/admissions. For more information please contact the Admissions team on **01375 652883** or by email on

Year 2 are right back into the swing of learning and have made a great start to the year. This week they have been working collaboratively, using listening and sharing skills, to plan stories to use as part of their puppet making project. In fact, children across the whole school have started similar projects as part of the international creative project, the Big Draw.

ADHD, ADD, Asperger's & Autism Support group

This is a group for parents who are all going through similar situations; we can all support each other!

Time: 10am-12pm

Dates: 5th, 19th September 2017— on the 19th Dr. Puvanendran & Dr. Nagaraj will be delivering training on the topic of 'developing resilience in Children'

3rd, 17th, 31st October 2017

12th, 14th, 28th November 2017

12th December 2017

Venue: Tilbury Children's Centre, London Road, Tilbury, Essex RM18 8EY

For more information please call:

Jo Kemp or Jade Smith



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PFA Dates for your Diary

Monday 11th September 2017– Reception Parents Coffee Morning 9am
 Thursday 14h September 2017– AGM Hall 9pm

Please see a letter regarding Holly C in 6VP and Elsie-Mae H in 6LC for their amazing donation for Macmillan Cancer Support.

School Dates for your Diary

Monday 25th September 2017– Year 6 Parents/Carers SATS Meeting 5:30-6:30pm
 Tuesday 26th September 2017– Year 2 Parents/Carers SATS Meeting 5:30-6:30pm
 Wednesday 4th October 2017– Open day by appointment for 9:30am, 11:00am, 1:30pm
 Monday 16th-17th October 2017– KS2 Parent Consultations 3:20-6pm
 Thursday 19th October 2017– EYFS & KS1 Parent Consultations 3:20-6pm

PFA Coffee Morning for new Reception Parents/Carers

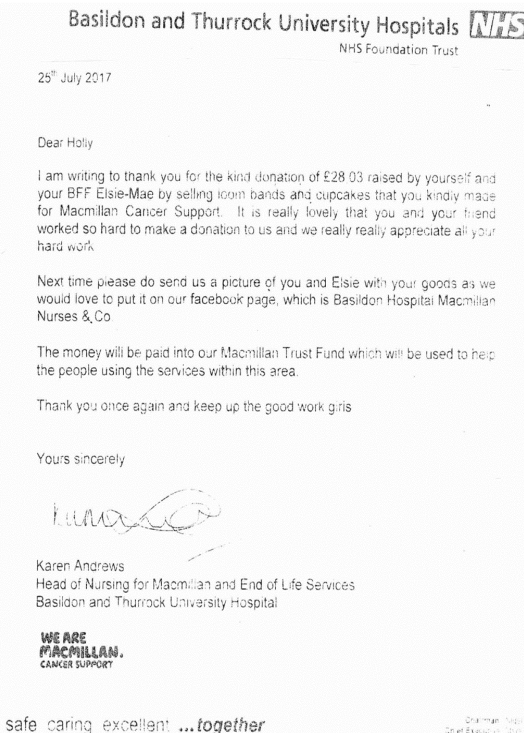
The PFA are holding a coffee morning for new reception parents/carers at 9:00am until 11:30am on Monday 11th September in the KS1 sports hall. Parents/carers should enter via the community hall door where you will be met by a member of the PFA. It's an opportunity to meet other parents of reception children, please feel free to stay as long as you want to.

PFA Annual General Meeting

All parents/carers are welcome to attend the PFA AGM on Thursday 14th September at 9:00am in the KS2 small hall. This is an important meeting as the members have an opportunity to put themselves forward and be voted in for the role of Chairperson, Treasurer etc. Please come and support us even if you don't want to take on a role yourself. It's an opportunity to find out more about the PFA.

School Payments

From September 2017 all school trip and dinner money payments will have to be made electronically via School Comms. You will need to register an account with the email address that we have at school. If



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Ask your child and they will probably tell you that it's not always enough to say you know the answer, but that often, you have to 'prove it'. We regularly ask children across the school to explain why or prove their solutions to problems in a way that's clear for others to understand. Why don't you have a go at this challenge taken from a Year 5 class: It is impossible to have a pentagon with 4 right angles - true or false?



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Welcome to 2017-2018 academic year! As you should be aware our final attendance figure dropped significantly last year and was only 94.1%. We are sure that a higher figure will be reached this year. We have already had a few children absent from school due to leave taken and there are a significant number of children for whom we are

KS1 ATTENDANCE – Wednesday 6th September 2017 – Friday 8th September 2017							
RG	RR	RS	RT	1CS	1HM	1MH	1VG
				95%	95.6%	96.6%	85.6%
2BG	2JC	2JP					
83.3%	91.1%	90.1%					
KS2 ATTENDANCE – Wednesday 6th September 2017 – Friday 8th September 2017							
3EG	3JM	3SH	4AW	4DL	4RM	5CP	
90%	95.2%	96.1%	83.8%	97.6%	81.9%	95.7%	
5KF	6LC	6MW	6VP				
92.2%	93.5%	92.5%	94.6%				