



Newsletter

Week 40 14th July 2017

Message from Senior Leadership Team

As we rapidly approach the end of term, the school seems to get even busier. This week has seen Year Six pupils attend the Crucial Crew Training which helps them develop skills to keep them safe, we took part in the Schools Music Festival where the children sang beautifully on Thursday evening (many thanks to Miss Caton and Mrs Mylam for organising this), the Borough Olympics and the SEND Olympics organised by Mrs Russo. Many thanks to her and the wonderful team of volunteers who enable these events to take place.

Year Six have produced an excellent set of SATs results this year - well done to every single one of them for working so hard for the entire year. We wish them all very well at their new schools in September.

This is the final newsletter for this academic year and we would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your continuing support throughout the year. We look forward to meeting up with you again after the Summer break.

Year 1 News

Mixed up Maths - in recent weeks, Year One have been enjoying the sunshine by using the outdoor space to teach several practical maths lessons. We started off the half term with learning about money, how it is used and giving change. The children showed a good understanding of the values of different coins and notes, including the two different types of pound coins. So we went outside where some of our Year Six friends helped us to buy a range of different items using the new skills that they had learnt.

The children have also learnt about volume and capacity. Initially this involved using different containers and filling them up with water to develop our understanding of the space inside the container. The children soon learnt that some containers have a scale and they use this scale to help them...and that is where the fun really began!

On a warm summer's day, Year One excitedly made their way to the playground, eager to use a new range of resources: 'bottled sunshine', 'frog juice' and 'toxic waste' to name but a few. Thankfully, Year Six took a break from their rehearsals to come and help. Two hundred children, fourteen strange liquids and forty minutes of very careful measuring followed...along with bubbles, laughter and lots of delighted squeals. It is fair to say the potions lesson was a success. The concoctions, whilst decidedly questionable, were carefully measured! There was a fantastic feeling of collaborative learning between Year One and Year Six, true solidarity between the year groups was clearly shown throughout this activity. The Year Six pupils were able to help encourage the Year One pupils to improve their learning - demonstrating both equality and equity. Both year groups represented the school's cooperative values splendidly.



Year 5 News

Here in Year 5 we have been just as busy as usual in the final weeks of the academic year. All of the children have been really excited to meet their new teachers and new class friends during the transition day. All Year 5 pupils can't wait for the challenges of Year 6! In English we have been planning and writing newspaper reports about a boy's mystical and magical journey to the moon. In maths we have been researching how to measure the volume of cubes and cuboids. Finally, our focus for our unit of enquiry has been directed towards the valuable skill of map reading. We've had a great year in Year 5.

Governing Body

As the school year draws to a close we have lots to celebrate! The Key Stage 2 SATs results were dramatically improved this year, the Year 6 pupils' results exceeded all National targets which is a huge achievement. Congratulations to the Year 6 pupils who worked so hard and to the full staff team who supported the children's progress to achieve such outstanding results. In Key Stage 1 and Early Years (Reception) we saw similarly pleasing results where all National targets were once again exceeded for the Key Stage 1 SATs, the Year 1 Phonics screening and percentage of children in Early Years reaching a 'Good level of Development'. There has been a lot of hard work by the teaching staff and Senior Leadership Team this year to ensure children are assessed correctly throughout the year and appropriate support is provided. It is evident that these interventions and creative approaches have had a positive impact on the children and their levels of attainment. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard supporting the children and our commitment to providing a good education to all.

As the Summer holidays approach I would like to wish you all an exciting and enjoyable six weeks holiday! Good luck to our Year 6 pupils as they move to Secondary School, we look forward to seeing everyone else when you return in September! Best wishes,

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Chair of Governors

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School Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 18th July 2017—'Picnic Day' lunch theme
 Wednesday 19th July 2017—open afternoon from 3.30pm
 Friday 21st July 2017—Year 6 Leavers Assembly
 Friday 21st July 2017—last day for all children
 Monday 24th July 2017—start of summer holiday

ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-2018

Monday 4th September 2017— staff training day, **school closed for pupils**
 Tuesday 5th September 2017—staff training day, **school closed for pupils**
 Wednesday 6th September 2017—pupils return to school

Stars of the Week

3AP—Savannah S, 3HM—Daniel R, 3RM—Shayla C,
 3SH—Richard C, 4AF—Amma N, 4AW—Nicholas P,
 4BG—Lacey G, 5DL—Daisie-Mae N, 5KF—Macey A,
 5RM—Sienna M and 5VP—Rachel J.

WELCOM Forum

The community forum will be holding it's AGM on Thursday 29th July 2017, 7.30pm, at Linford Methodist Church, SS17 0QS. All residents of Linford, East and West Tilbury are welcome to attend and find out more of the work we do within the community. There will also be a AGM for the Community Sports Hall, which is situated at East Tilbury Primary School, during the forum meeting. We would like parents/carers of children who attend the school to come along and volunteer to sit on this committee. Looking forward to seeing you at the AGM's, Marian Kuyper, Secretary.

100% Attendance Celebration Afternoon

There will be an afternoon of fun and laughter for our children who have achieved 100% attendance for this academic year. There will be a variety of activities for children to enjoy on Wednesday 19th July and certificates will be handed out on Thursday 20th July at the celebration assembly. Letters of invitation will be sent home next week.

After School Clubs

Please note all current after school clubs have not finished. There will be trials for some sports clubs taking place when we return to school in September and as previously all other clubs can be applied for when the online booking system opens. A letter will be sent out on our return to school with clubs available and information on how to book your child's choice of club. Thank you.

School Payments

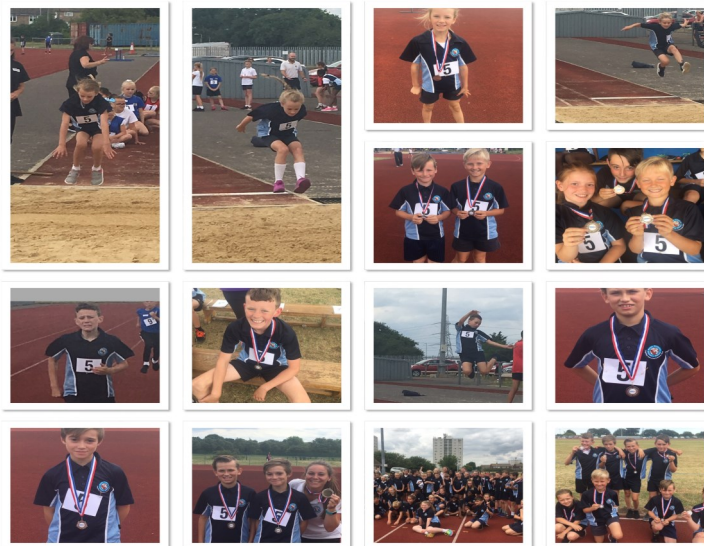
From September 2017 all school trip and dinner money payments will have to be made electronically via School Comms. You will need to register an account with the email address that we have at school. If you need any help please contact the school office.

PFA Dates for your Diary

Monday 11th September 2017—PFA Coffee morning for Reception parents/carers
 Thursday 14th September 2017—PFA AGM
 Friday 20th October—PFA Disco
 Saturday 25th November 2017—Christmas Market

Borough Olympics

Congratulations to all the 45 children who represented our school at the 2017 Borough Olympics. Team ETPS were placed 6th overall and brought home some fancy silverware with them. Well done team!!



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Well done to **2LF** for **achieving** the **highest** attendance with **99.1%**. Well done everyone!! 2LF were followed by 3RM with **98.0%**. Great attendance. The **whole school** attendance has **reduced** and is now only **94.1%**. As you are aware we do not authorise any leave during term time, in addition to this from September 2017 we will be issuing Penalty Notices for any unauthorised leave. Parents/carers will need to send in a letter with their request and each application will be evaluated individually with a letter sent home with our decision.

KS1 ATTENDANCE – Friday 7th July 2017 —Thursday 13th July 2017							
RG	RR	RS	RT	1AA	1EG	1JP	1RJ
93.3% ↑	93.3% ↓	97.5% ↑	94.0% ↓	92.6% ↓	91.3% ↓	92.6% ↓	91.7% ↑
2AP	2JC	2LF					
89.3% ↓	92.9% ↓	99.1% ↑					

KS2 ATTENDANCE – Friday 7th July 2017—Thursday 13th July 2017						
3AP	3HM	3RM	3SH	4AF	4AW	4BG
90.9% ↓	90.4% ↑	98.0% ↓	87.0% ↑	96.2% ↓	94.9% ↓	89.2% ↑
5DL	5KF	5RM	5VP	6CP	6LC	6RM
92.9% ↑	96.9% ↓	93.3% ↓	91.5% ↓	93.8% ↑	91.3% ↓	90.6% ↓