



## Autumn Term Newsletter Week 11 25th November 2022

### PE Kits

Now that the weather is turning colder, the children can wear tracksuits for PE outside. However, these must be in school colours (black), please.

Thank you.



The time to relax and take a minute for yourself is when you simply don't have time to do it.

You are the biggest and most important asset you have..!

look after yourself

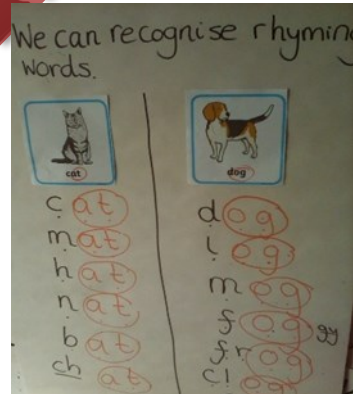
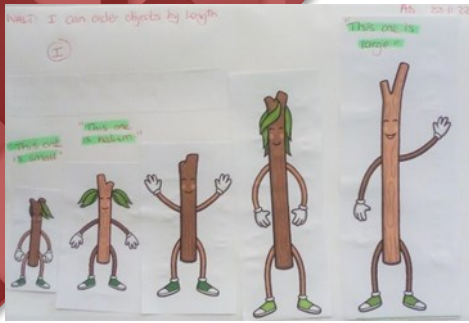
Your life is as good as your mindset.



### Neurodiverse Workshop

A massive thank you to all our parents who attended the neurodiverse parent workshop, on Thursday afternoon. I was personally moved by the honesty and openness of our parents and the struggles we are all facing in these modern times. We have a fantastic community of families supporting each other during our parent forum meetings. If you would like to attend, look out for the dates in the diary for the new year. If you wish to view the Powerpoint that we shared in the workshop, here is the link for our school website: <https://www.hinguar.secat.co.uk/neurodiverse-classroom-training>.

## Seahorse Class



This week, we have been exploring the concept of rhyming words and measuring through the book 'Stickman' by Julia Donaldson. We began the week by listening to the story and trying to hear and identify rhyming words. We discussed how it was the end sounds of a word that need to sound the same to make them rhyme. To highlight the pattern of how words rhyme, as a class we wrote a list of words which rhymed with cat and dog.

In Literacy, the children were asked to choose a picture and then write a list of rhyming words. Some of the children then put these words into a sentence. The children also went on a word hunt and discovered that all the words found rhymed with each other. In the builders tray, the children made patterns, wrote letters, their names and tricky words in glittery flour.

In Maths, we discussed measuring height and length. The children discovered for height you measured from top to bottom or vice versa to find out how tall something is and for length you measure across to find out how long something is. The children put different sized stickmen into order from tallest to shortest, before finding different ways of measuring objects. Ideas included using bricks, footsteps, rulers and a tape measure.

In PE, the children got in the World Cup spirit by practising their ball skills with soft footballs.

In Art, to consolidate our recent theme of seasons the children used paint to combine circular rings of colour to create a tree inspired by the artist Kandinsky.












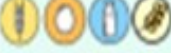



Throughout the week, the children have been practising their nativity, modelling with the playdough, creating on the mark-making table and building with Lego and foam bricks.

Mrs Newman, Mrs Penny and Mrs Rawlings





# School Menu

Week commencing: 7/11, 28/11, 19/12, 16/01, 06/02, 06/03, 27/03					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Meat	Ham pizza, couscous and sweetcorn 	Spaghetti bolognese and diced carrots 	Roast Turkey, roast potatoes, mixed vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and gravy 	Mild chicken curry, brown rice and green beans 	All day breakfast 
Vegetarian/Vegan	Cheese pizza, couscous and sweetcorn 	Quorn spaghetti bolognese and diced carrots 	Roast vegan Quorn fillet, roast potatoes, mixed vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and gravy 	Mild chickpea and spinach curry, brown rice and green beans 	Vegetarian all day breakfast 
Dessert	Cookie or Jelly 	Brownie or Jelly 	Jelly 	Lemon drizzle cake or Jelly 	Frozen mousse or Jelly 

## WEEK 2

School dinners need to be **ordered and paid for in advance on the IRIS Parent Mail app**.

School dinner menus will be published weekly for the following week to be ordered and paid for on the ParentMail app. Universal and Free School Meal children will still need to order their choices on the ParentMail app **but will not be charged**.

To order, open the IRIS ParentMail app and go to accounts. In accounts there is the School Dinner Register, tap on this to open the School Dinner Register and tap one of the days. This will take you to the screen with the menus for the week where you can order your choices for the individual day or full.

## Avocet Class

### world war 2



This is a blog about world war 2 sooo Enjoy

Avocet class have produced some amazing, emotive writing this week based around the short film The Piano. They have retold part of the story which includes a flashback to the main character's past as a soldier in World War 2. I am so impressed with the quality of the writing produced and the beautiful language they have used. Well done, Year 6!

### THE BLITZ

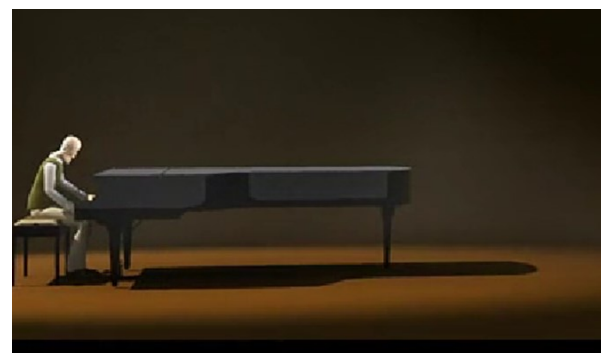
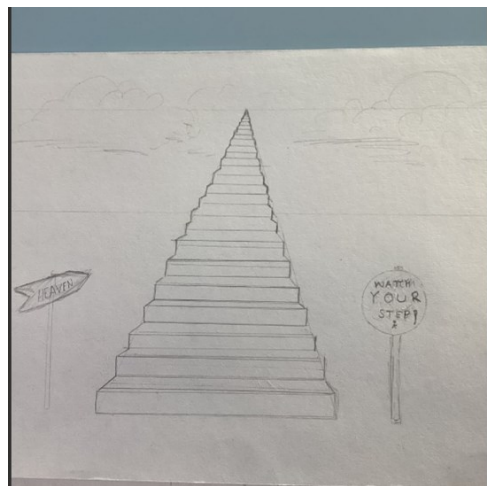


life was extremely hard during the Blitz.

In Computing, we have been exploring the use of blogs and have begun to create our own using 2Blog on Purple Mash. The children have used their research from their reports to share their knowledge of different aspects of the war and inserted pictures and website links.

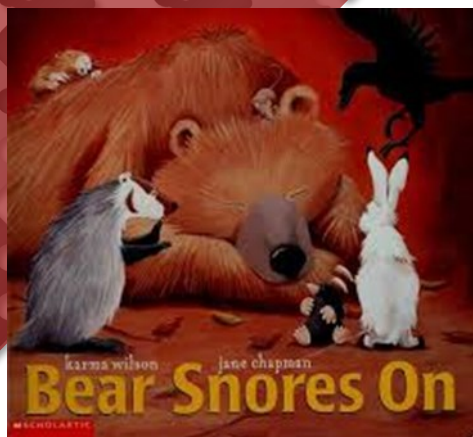
On Tuesday afternoon, we took part in an online workshop with other Southend schools. It was on the theme of Sport and Exercise and we had a special guest speaker, the gymnast, Matt Whitlock. We were also given the opportunity to ask questions to an England rugby referee and a wheelchair basketball athlete, who was particularly inspiring.

In Art and RE, we are looking at the idea of life after death and the idea of a stairway to heaven. After looking at a variety of examples, we are now using our skills of perspective drawing to create our own version.



Mrs Calvy, Mrs Attard and Ms Hardy

## Starfish Class



This week in Starfish class, our story focus has been 'Bear Snores On'. We have expanded our vocabulary, learning the word hibernate, and have investigated which animals hibernate over the winter months.

In our tuff tray we have explored ice and looked closely at the changes that occurred as the ice melted. We then further explored animal habitats with a wintery small world scene, using shaving foam and cotton wool for snow.

We have used our gross physical skills to create our own animal dens in the garden and role-played being animals hibernating inside to keep warm. We discussed what we do to keep ourselves warm in winter and the children created some fantastic winter clothes pictures.

The children had great fun making their own 'snow and ice' playdough, using white dough and adding sparkles.

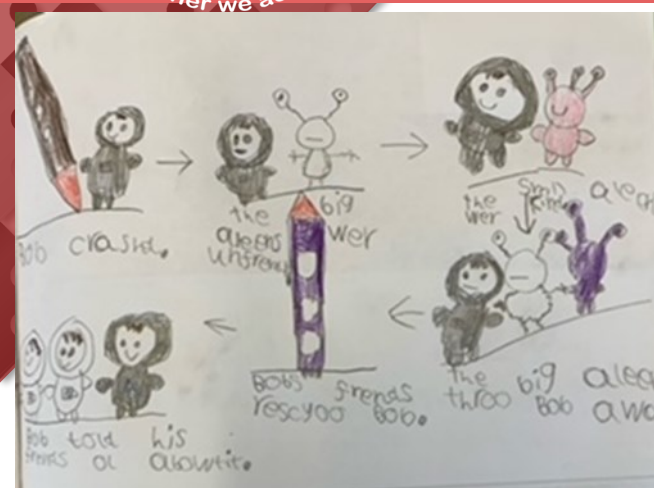
Our wintery theme led to lots of discussion about Frozen and Elsa and Anna. Everyone had great fun joining in with singing to Let it go!

Well done, Starfish class on another busy week of fun and learning.

Mrs Brant, Mrs Cochrane, Mrs Bowser, Mrs Loe and Mrs Mota



# Oyster Class



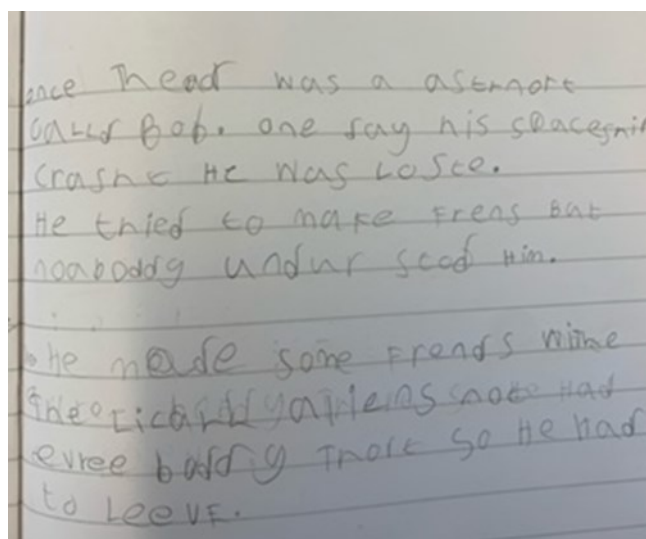
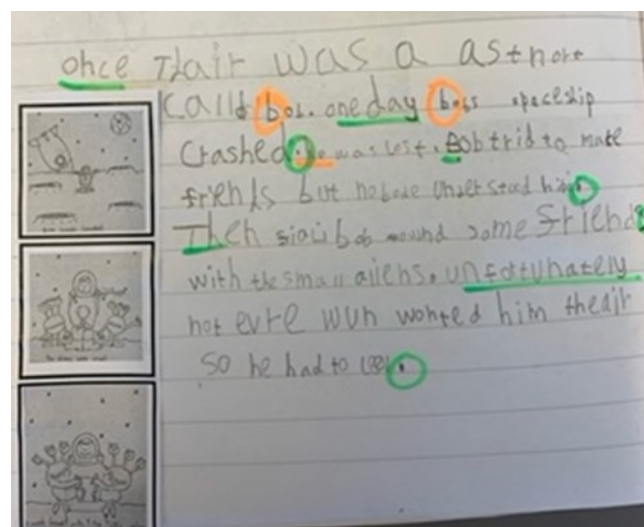
In Year 1 this week, we have been having lots of

fun creating new characters for a story. At the end of last week, we created an alien for our story and this week we have decided on a new main character called Bob.

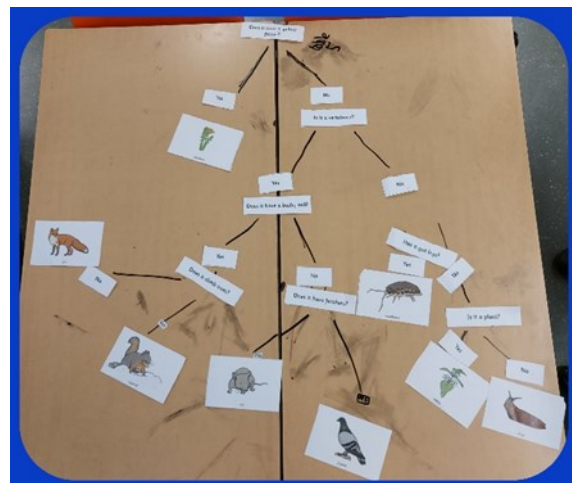
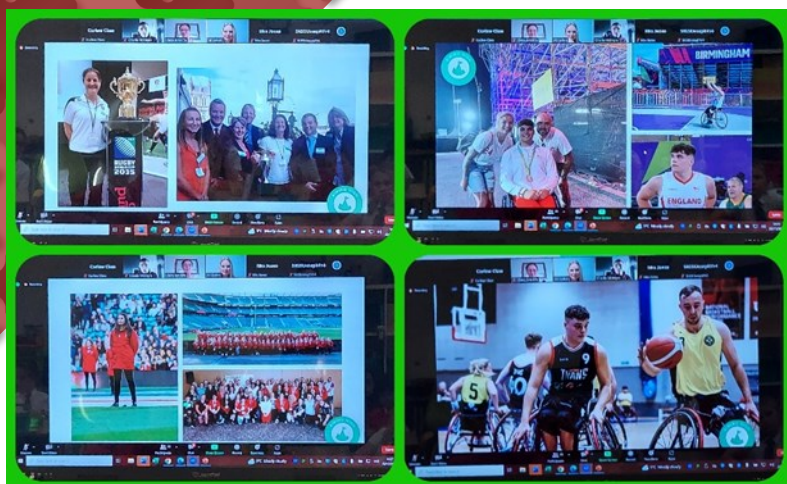
The children created their character, planned and wrote their stories. As you can see, the children have enjoyed creating their new characters and it really shows in the quality of their writing.

In Maths, we are coming to our final week of subtraction ready for 2D and 3D shapes next week. The children have worked hard on completing their tasks so that they can get to the challenge. I am super impressed. Have a fabulous weekend, Year 1.

Mrs O'Donnell, Mrs Mota and Mrs Merton



## Curlew Class



In science this week, the children worked in groups to create their own classification branch diagrams to group various living organisms. They decided on appropriate yes/no questions to use in order to identify similarities and differences between the different animals and plants and to ultimately identify each one by its unique characteristics.

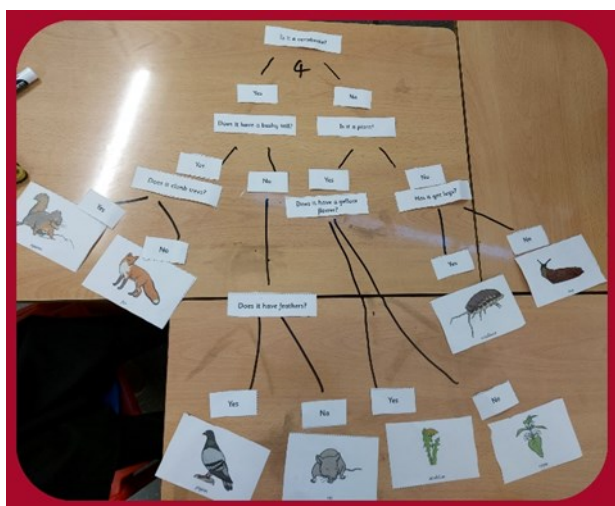
On the subject of being unique, we continued to celebrate how each and every member of the class is unique and special. We encountered Andy and the Odd Socks once again and listened to their fabulously catchy song 'Unique' (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cEF5zNoyNYk>)

On Tuesday, we participated in My Future My Southend's online workshop about careers in Sport and Exercise. We were introduced to Claire Antcliffe, who is an England rugby referee and development coach for people training to be referees. She works especially with women and girls interested in becoming rugby referees. We also met Charlie McIntyre, who is a young wheelchair basket player and represented England this year in the Commonwealth Games (and won a bronze medal!)

Well done, Year 4 for being as fantastic as always.

Miss Eakins and Mrs Edwards

#learningwithEs





## Seagull Class



This week, the children have been making the most of our outdoor space. In English lessons, we have been exploring our senses and using this to help us with our writing. The children went on a sensory walk around the school grounds and then discussed what they had seen, smelt, heard and felt. They used this to write sensory descriptive sentences about an Autumn setting. They went on to write descriptions of a variety of other settings by imagining they were really there and thinking about their senses. Some great descriptive writing was created as a result.

We also went outside for our RE lessons. We have been learning about the Jewish festival of Sukkot and how, thousands of years ago, the Jewish people travelled the desert looking for somewhere to live. Along the way they built tents from palm leaves and branches called Sukkah. Sukkah is a Hebrew word meaning tent. We decided to make our own mini versions in our outdoor learning area.



Our art lesson this week was also inspired by the great outdoors. We have been learning about warm and cool colours. We completed a sunrise collage using warm colours for the sun's rays and cool colours for the water.

Mrs Oakley, Mrs Attard, Mrs Merton and Mrs Rawlings

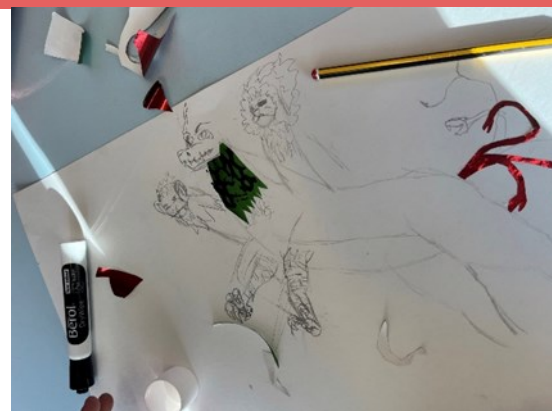




## Sanderling Class



A fantastic week in year 5!



This week we have been very creative. In English, we created our Viking Gods in preparation for our narrative. We used collage materials and oil pastels which helped us to visualise our Viking God. In maths, we have started fractions- equivalent fractions.

In PSHE, we created Positivity Clouds. This allowed the children to write a positive comment on each of their peers' clouds. This was a fantastic task for all children and I am so proud of the maturity shown by all!

The Anglo Saxon and Viking day pictures will be in next week's newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend!  
Miss Mountier and Mrs Allen.

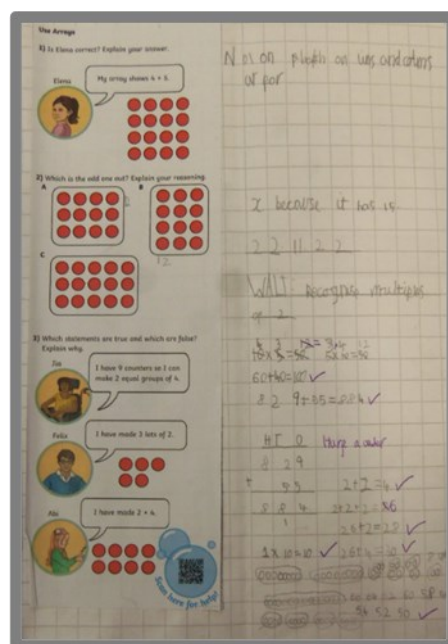
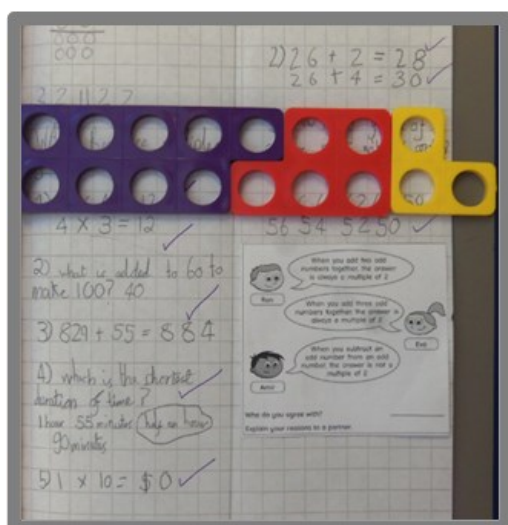
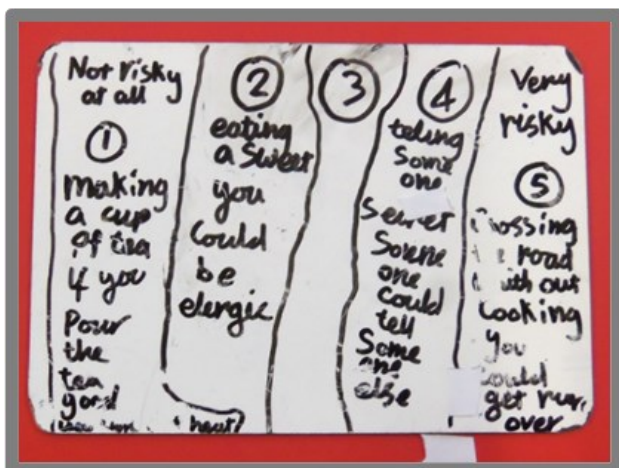


## Heron Class

Year 3 have had yet another busy week. In English, they have been practising rhyming and written poems about festivals. In Maths, they have looked at arrays and reasoned about multiples of 2, 5 and 10 and started to explore sharing and grouping. In P.S.H.E, they talked about what makes something risky and how they can risk assess and manage situations. In Science, they learned a little more about Mary Anning and fossils; in Spanish they learned to say goodbye; in History they looked at goods from a Bronze Age grave and in Music they played glockenspiels and listened to Marvin Gaye.

¡Feliz fin de semana!

Mrs. Emmings and Mrs Tarling







# Outdoor Photography Competition

## Entries close on 2<sup>nd</sup> December



Hinguar Primary School and Nursery are holding a photographic competition for all pupils from Nursery to Year 6. We'd like to promote outdoor learning and celebrate the world around us.

Sixth Form Media and Film Studies students, at Shoeburyness High School, will be judging the entries and choosing winners from each Key Stage.

### Information:

The categories are:

- A. Shapes in the outdoors    B. Colours in nature  
C. Animals in the outdoors    D. The seaside

Using the categories as inspiration; be creative, go outdoors and take some photographs!

We're looking for a title and short description of your photograph(s).

### Rules:

1. All photographs must be taken by the pupil.
2. Title(s) and description(s) must be written in the pupil's own words.
3. Pupils can enter a maximum of four photographs. This can be in any category.
4. Please avoid taking photographs of people.

### Prizes:

Every pupil that enters will receive two 'catch-me' signatures and ten house points.

Winning entries will be displayed in school and on the school website. Pupils will receive their winning photograph printed on canvas at the end of the summer term.

### How to enter:

Please email your entries to [teachers@hinguar.secat.co.uk](mailto:teachers@hinguar.secat.co.uk) with the subject of 'The Great Outdoors Photography Competition' and include:

- Pupil name
- Pupil class
- Chosen category(s)
- Photograph(s)
- Title of photograph(s)
- Description(s) of photograph(s)

The competition opens from the 14<sup>th</sup> November with a **deadline for entries of 2<sup>nd</sup> December**. The winners will be announced within the last two weeks of the Autumn term. **Good luck!**



## Friends of Hinguar

Christmas Gift Fair  
Raised: £722.44!



A huge THANK YOU, to all our wonderful sparkly helpers on and before the night! THANK YOU so much for all you boozy donations and also for coming along and supporting this wonderful FOH tradition!

Non-Uniform Day & Children's Christmas Fair  
Friday 2nd December 3:30pm to 6:00pm

**Volunteers Needed:**

Friday 2nd December, during the day and at the event, please contact [friendsofhinguar@outlook.com](mailto:friendsofhinguar@outlook.com) thank you!

**Colour Hamper Donations:**

Simply send your donations in with your child to their class any day week beginning Monday 28th November.

To say THANK YOU for all the wonderful donations, children can enjoy a non-uniform day on Friday 2nd December.

**Coming soon...**  
**- Grand Christmas Raffle Tickets**

Draw Date: Monday 12th December 2022

50p a ticket or £2.50 a book

Wine  
£100 M&S Voucher  
Dino Encounters  
Southend United Tickets  
RollaCity  
Caddies  
£50 M&S Voucher  
Adventure Island  
Tea Besides The Sea  
Beer  
True Gym  
Monkey Business  
Roslin Afternoon Tea  
Health & Beauty Vouchers

**STAR PRIZE**

Brand New **LAPTOP**  
Courtesy of  
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## Awards and Notices

### Catch Me! Awards

This is a system that rewards the children for doing the right thing all the time, whether it be being polite, helpful, ready to learn etc and any adult in the school can award the Catch Me! signatures to the children.



Well done to Sienna, Hudson, Olivia-Louise, Matilda and Mia in Seahorse Class, Piper and Millie in Seagull Class, Coleby, Sufian, Will, George, Alice, Sebastian, Alex, Dylan in Curlew Class, Gracie-Mai in Sanderling Class and William, Layla, Safwan and Muhib in Avocet Class for achieving their Bronze Catch Me Awards.

Well done to Lizzie in Curlew Class and Amelie and Ben in Sanderling Class for achieving their Silver Catch Me Awards.

### Times Tables

Congratulations to Jamie in Curlew Class on achieving his Bronze Times Tables Certificate.

Congratulations to Mila, Eli, Olivia H and Aiza in Curlew Class on achieving their Silver Times Tables Certificate.

Congratulations to Olivia M, Zack and Sigourney on achieving their Gold Times Tables Certificate.



### Reading Champions

Well done to Willow in Oyster Class who is our latest Reading Champion. If you would like to be awarded a Reading Champion badge, you must read a selection of challenging books from a variety of genres and then write a short review of ONE book that you have read. We have plenty more badges waiting to be handed out so let's see who will be next! We thank all families for their continued support in enabling our children to be Reading Champions and in fostering a love of reading. 'Together We Achieve.'



**NB: The above awards will be given out in Monday's assembly due to Year 5 having an Anglo Saxon/Viking workshop in the hall today.**



## AWARDS

### House Points



**Canute**



**Guthrum**



**Thorkell**



**Houston**



### Birthday Celebrations

This week in assembly we celebrated Amelia, Peyson and Mia's birthdays.



### Student of the Week

#### Award Board

**Avocet Class—  
Lucy**

**Sanderling Class—  
Jack**

**Curlew Class—  
Lewis**

**Heron Class—  
Harvey**

**Seagull Class—  
Olive**

**Oyster Class —  
Jessica**

**Seahorse Class—  
Harry**

### Race to the Park

The winning classes for each half term are rewarded with a trip to the local park.

The winners of the race so far this term are,  
KS1 Oyster Class having attendance of 95.65% and in  
KS2 Curlew Class 96.85 %.

### 100% Attendance and Punctuality Prize

Each week, during our celebration assembly, we congratulate good attendance as a whole class.

This week in KS1, Alice the Bunny was won by Seahorse Class with 97.92% and in KS2 the attendance cup was awarded to Heron Class with 96.68%.

The classes will be rewarded with an extra turn on the play equipment.



# Term Dates / Dates for Your Diary

## Inset Days for Academic Year 22022/23

10th February 2023, 21st July 2023.

## Term Dates 2022 / 23

Autumn Term 1 September 2022 – 20 December 2022

Spring Term 5 January 2023 – 31 March 2023

Summer Term 17 April 2023 – 21 July 2023

May Day Bank Holiday 1st May 2023

Half Term 24 October – 28 October

Half Term 13 February – 17 February

Half Term 30 May – 2 June and May Day

## Dates for Diary (updates in red)

Christmas Hamper Donations to come in

Garrison Residents' AGM

Children's Christmas Fair

Non-uniform Day (in exchange for hamper donations)

Great Outdoor Photo competition Closes

Assessment Week

Y6 trip to Duxford

Nursery Nativity

Reception Nativity

Santa Dash

FOH Grand Prize Draw

FOH Children's Secret Santa

Christmas Lunch/Christmas Jumper Day

KS1 Production—Carols and Christmas Songs

Visiting Pantomime Yrs 1—6

Magic Man Show EYFS (including Nursery)

w/b 28th November 2022

28th November 2022 7pm (in school)

2nd December 2022 3.30pm—6.00pm

2nd December 2022

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5th—9th December 2022

8th December 2022

8th December 9.30am

8th December 3.30pm

9th December 2022 am

12th December 2022

12th, 13th and 15th December (lunchtimes)

14th December 2022

15th December 2022 9.30am

19th December 2022 9.30am

19th December 2022 10am

## Dates for Diary (updates in red) Spring Term

KS2 Choir at the O2

Yrs 4 & 5 My Future, My Southend—Green and Eco

Pupil Advocate meeting

Y3 My Future, My Southend—Green and Eco

Tag Rugby Competition (re-arranged date)

Raise £20.23 for 2023

Aspirations Week

World Book Day

Parent Consultation Evenings

24th January 2023

24th January 2023 pm (in school)

25th January 2023

26th January 2023 pm (in school)

8th February 2023

23rd February 2023

27th February 2023—3rd March 2023

2nd March 2023

6th and 8th March 2023 3.30pm—6.30pm

2023 (date tbc)



# Term Dates / Dates for Your Diary

## Dates for Diary (updates in red) Spring Term contd

Science Week	13th—17th March 2023
Infant Music Festival	13th—17th March 2023 or 20th—24th March
Mother's Day stalls	13th, 14th 15th March 2023 (lunchtimes)
Yrs 4 & 5 My Future, My Southend People Who Help Us	14th March 2023 pm (in school)
Y3 My Future, My Southend People Who Help Us	16th March 2023 pm (in school)
Assessment Week	20th—24th March 2023
Year 6 Residential	27th—31st March 2023
Reception Trip to Barleylands	29th March 2023
Pupil Advocate meeting	31st March 2023

## Summer Term (updates in red)

Years 3 & 4 production	26th April 2023 @ 6.30pm and 27th April 2023 @ 9.30am
<b>Year 6 SATs week</b>	<b>9th—12th May 2023 (change of dates due to the Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation)</b>
Y6 My Future, My Southend—Hospitality	16th May 2023 pm (in school)
KS2 Music Festival area rehearsal	22nd—26th May (date tbc)
KS2 Music Festival	12th - 16th June 2023 (date tbc)
Father's Day stalls	12th, 13th, 14th June 2023 (lunchtimes)
Year 4 Lullingstone Roman Villa	20th June 2023
Pupil Advocate meeting	23rd June 2023
Sports Day and Picnic Lunch	26th June 2023
Yrs 4, 5 & 6 My Future, My Southend—STEM	27th June 2023 pm (in school)
Y3 My Future, My Southend—STEM	29th June 2023 pm (in school)
Assessment Week	3rd—7th July 2023
Reserve Sports Day	10th July 2023 (change of date)
Open Evening	10th July 2023 4.30pm—6.30pm
Years 5 & 6 Production	12th July 2023 @ 6.30pm and 13th July 2023 @ 9.30am
Volunteer Afternoon Tea	18th July 2023 @ 2.00pm
Year 6 Graduation	19th July 2023 @ 2.00pm
Year 6 Leavers' Disco	19th July 6.30pm—8.00pm
Y6 T-shirt signing/fun swim	20th July 2023