

Spring Term Newsletter Week 23 15th March 2024

CAKE SALE



The St Vincents Centre in Southend is a fabulous organisation which supports families across the city at times of need. They are currently asking for donations to boost funds and to restock their foodbank.

They have approached local schools to ask for support and asked if money could be raised in order to be able to support vulnerable families over the Easter period.

On **Tuesday 19th March**, we will be having a cake sale to raise money for this worthwhile organisation. We would appreciate children bringing in cakes that morning to sell at lunchtime (and also after school if many are left over). Cakes will cost between 20p and 50p and children are asked to bring spending money in named purses/wallets.

Thank you in optimistic appreciation.

Miss Eakins



21ST MARCH

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Aspirations Week



WOW, what a fabulous Aspirations Week we have had!

It all kicked off on **Monday** with a return visit by Kate from **Bellway Homes**. During assembly, she announced the winners of the 'design your dream house' competition and awarded prizes to the 4 runners up (Chloe, Peyson, Tommy and Ella) and to the overall winner, Layla-May. Winning entries will be displayed on the fencing of the new development site. Well done to everyone who entered a design.



Also, on Monday, 2 lovely Hinguar parents volunteered their time to speak to KS2 about their jobs. **Miss Carswell** visited Years 5 and 6 to tell them all about her job as a solicitor and inspired several children (and at least one adult) to follow a career in law! Simultaneously, **Miss Lumley** visited Years 3 and 4 to tell them all about her job as a school nurse. She spoke about the importance of looking after both your physical and emotional health. Many thanks to both ladies. All classes found their sessions fascinating and enjoyed the sessions immensely.

On **Tuesday**, the Nursery and Reception classes were thrilled to welcome back **Little City Southend**. This was possible thanks to local company, **JCA Plumbing and Heating Merchants**, who very kindly donated all the money to pay for the experience to take place. The children all enjoyed dressing up and role-playing various career choices.



On **Wednesday**, we were visited in assembly by Adam (and Dean - aka Charlotte the Dog!) from **Southend Dog Training**. Adam told the children about his job and clearly explained how to act around dogs and how and when it is appropriate to approach and touch them. He also spoke about social media and reminded the children to not post unkind words and to tell someone if someone is unkind to them.

After playtime, **fire fighters** from Shoebury station kindly brought their fire engine onto the playground. They too spoke about their job and all the equipment they carry on the engine. Children got the opportunity to climb on board and handle specific pieces of equipment.

Aspirations Week



On **Thursday**, representatives from **Southend United Football Club** came to work with pupils in Years 1 to 6. They talked to the children about their jobs and how they came to be doing them. Then, everyone got to take part in some warmup training exercises and games.



On **Friday**, we concluded our Aspirations Week by giving children the opportunity to come to school dressed as either someone who inspires them, or as career they aspire to achieve. As always, they did not fail to impress!



A massive thank you to everyone who has supported our Aspirations Week. It has been a fantastic week and the children have learnt a lot about different career paths.

Science Fair

To celebrate British Science Week, we held a Science Fair. The children were able to take part in the following experiments: creating lava lamps, dancing raisins, bouncy egg, magic milk, grow a rainbow, making a superhero fly and raising water with a candle. Thank you to those who came it was lovely to see such enthusiasm, wonderment, and critical thinking as all the experiments were undertaken.

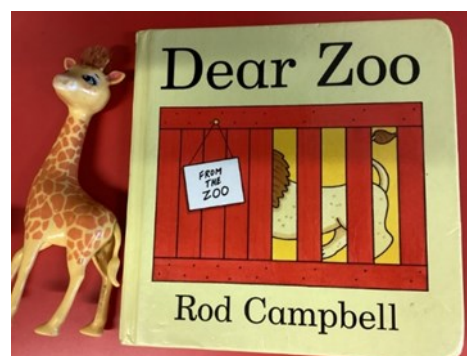


Thank you to the parents and grandparents who helped their children run a [Science](#) stall. Without your support we could not have put on this event.

Turtle and Starfish Class



For Aspirations Week, we had a couple of events planned for us during the week. Little City came to visit and we got to talk about different jobs and role play lots of different jobs, such as hairdresser, vet, shop assistant and doctor. We also loved seeing the fire engine, learning about how they fight fires and what is on the fire engine. It was exciting to watch the water squirting so far out of the hose.



In Turtles class this week, we have been reading Dear Zoo and learning about animals. We used a range of animal shaped sponges to print with to make a picture. We enjoyed playing with the paint. During messy play, we explored the texture of our pretend 'mud' (cornflower gloop) with animals in it. At the playdough table, we had animals to press into the dough and see the marks their hooves and paws made.

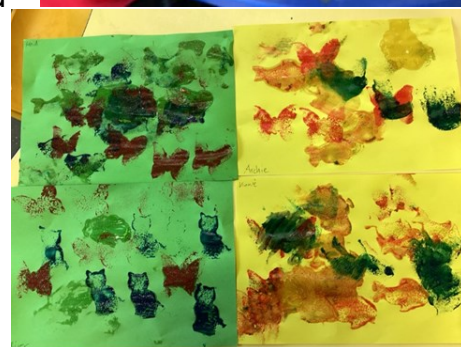
Turtle and Starfish Class



We have also begun to make our own number line 1 to 5 to display in the room and we have been singing Five Little Ducks. We even did a Five Little Ducks Dough disco, working on our numeracy and our motor control at the same time!



Starfish class have been reading the classic story of The Tiger Who Came to Tea. We talked about what a grocer and a milkman was and linked this with our Aspirations Week. We made our own tiger faces using paint and collage and we think they look grrrrrrreat! We had a role play tea



party and made our own jam sandwiches. We practiced carefully spreading the butter and jam with a butter (blunt) knife. In number, we counted 'sweets' to 10 and beyond and matched them to numbers. In literacy, we sequenced The Tiger Who Came to Tea story and at the writing table we wrote for a purpose, to invite the tiger to come to tea using our emergent writing skills.



Seahorse Class



This week, Seahorse Class have explored dinosaurs through fiction and non-fiction texts. We began by listening to the story 'The Dinosaur Who Pooped the Past', where the main character and his dinosaur travel back in time and meet other dinosaurs. The children were unsure what was meant by 'the past'. After a discussion we discovered that 'the past' described something that had already happened; it could be as recently as this morning or a long time ago such as when the dinosaurs were alive. As a class, we then went on to talk about what 'the future' meant. We found out it meant something that has not happened yet.



As a class, we used a search engine and encyclopaedias to discover more facts about dinosaurs. The children were shocked to discover that humans and dinosaurs did not live in the same time-period. We also learnt that most dinosaurs were herbivores rather than carnivores and those that ate both meat and plants were omnivores. We learnt that scientists who look for clues about dinosaurs are called Palaeontologists.



On Tuesday, a mysterious egg appeared in the classroom.

The children were extremely excited to see what would hatch from it. This created great discussion about what could be inside and why. In particular, the children made good observations regarding size, colour and animals that did lay eggs. In Literacy, the children wrote a sentence about what they thought was inside the egg.

On Friday, the egg hatched to reveal a Diplodocus. At present, the children are thinking of a name.

To celebrate Aspiration's Week, Seahorse Class explored Little City to try out different occupations. We were also visited by the Shoeburyness firefighters and fire engine.



In Maths, we have recapped 2D shapes and introduced 3D shapes. We began by finding out the names and the properties of the 3D shapes. The children were then challenged to build using 3D shapes, while discussing which shapes are more practical to build with and why.



Throughout the week, the children have made fossils, built with Lego, cut out dinosaurs, matched fossils to the corresponding dinosaurs and written birthday cards in anticipation of our new arrival from the egg!

Mrs Newman, Mrs Penny, Mrs Bowser, and Mrs Mota

Oyster Class

Wow, what a busy week for Year 1!

The children had an amazing time at Hyde Hall on Tuesday exploring all the different plants. The rain did not stop Oyster class from adventuring outside to collect lots of different petals and pieces of nature to create such lovely pictures together. We cannot wait to hear of the success with the children's pea plants!



As part of Aspirations Week, the children have seen and listened to many special visitors talk about their jobs. The children thoroughly enjoyed talks from the fire officers, Southend FC and Adam the dog trainer. It has led to some deep discussions all about what we aspire to be in the future!



Mrs Tarling and I want to wish the children the best of luck for their performance this evening for Southend Makes Music. You will all be fantastic!

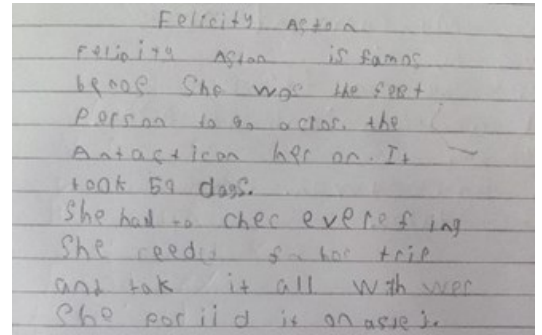
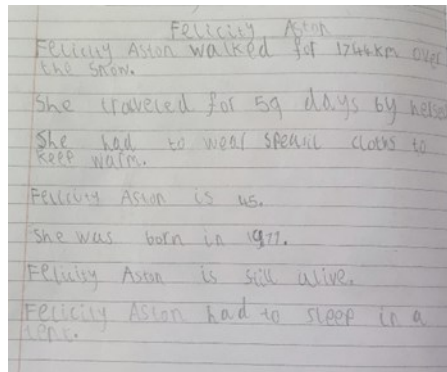
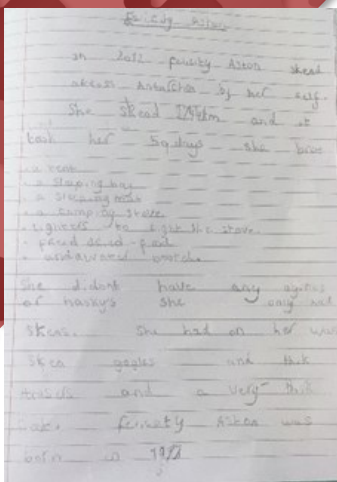
Have a great weekend!



Miss Bradley and Mrs Tarling

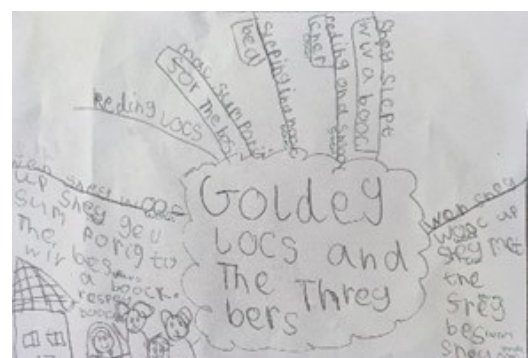
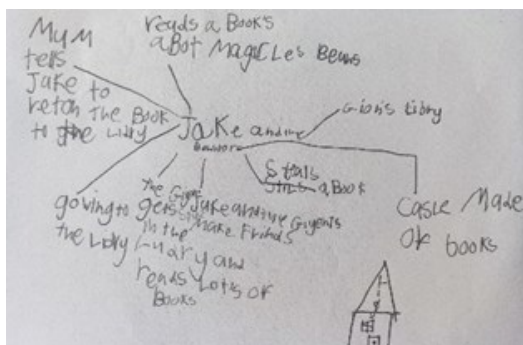
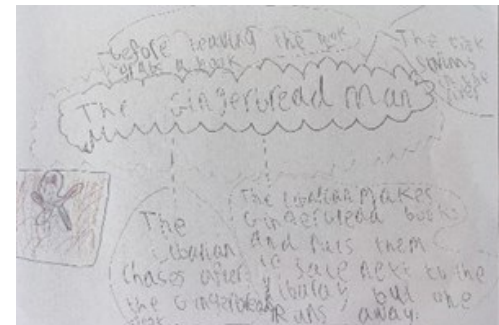
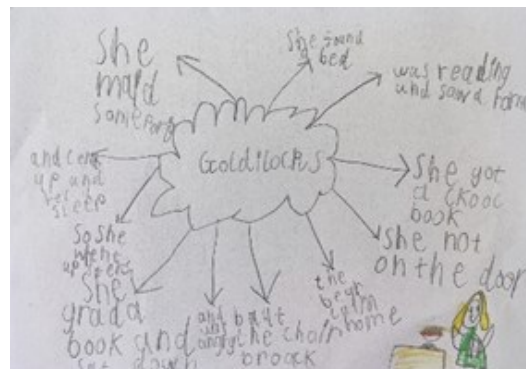
Seagull Class

This week, we have been learning about Felicity Aston who is a modern day explorer and scientist. She is famous for becoming the first woman to travel solo across Antarctica using only her own strength. We thought about what she would have taken with her on her expedition. We also considered how she might have felt spending so long on her own in such challenging conditions. It was excellent to see the children making careful vocabulary choices in their writing, using language we have discussed in our English lessons.



Also this week, we have been working on our narrative writing. We shared the story of Little Red Reading Hood, which is a variation of the traditional tale. We considered how we could adapt other well-known stories.

Mrs Oakley and Mrs Merton



Heron Class

This week in Year 3, the children have had a fabulous week for Aspirations Week.

We were visited by the firefighters; Southend United Football club did some activities with us, and we had visitors into our classroom and assembly.

Thank you to all our visitors. We learnt a lot this week and are more informed and inspired for our futures.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs O'Donnell and Mrs Edwards



Curlew Class

Woo hoo, Year 4! You have been fabulous again!

In English, we have used our recent guided reading subject as a base in our biography writing. We used ICT to research the life and achievements of John Logie Baird, and then wrote our own biographies about him.



All the children have enjoyed Aspirations Week. On Monday, we were visited by a school nurse (Miss Lumley) who spoke about good physical and emotional health. The children completed a 'mirror of compliments' sheet, in which they drew a self-portrait and then listed positive attributes about themselves. These were then taken home as a constant reminder of what makes them wonderful.

Rehearsals for our upcoming show have stepped up this week. Please support our main characters in learning their lines at home – and please all practise the song lyrics which were emailed out.

Well done, Fabulous Foursies. Keep up the good work. Miss Eakins, Mrs Allen and Mrs Bowser (We are so glad to have you back Mrs B!)

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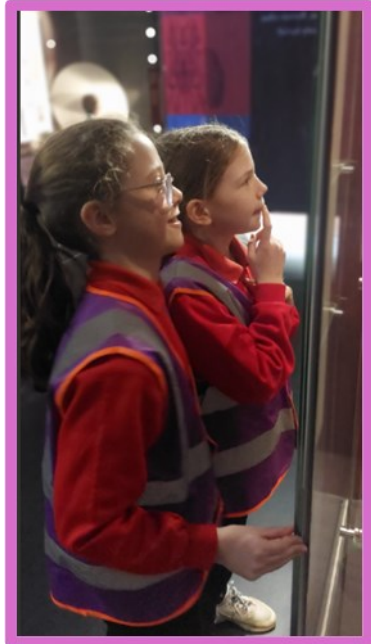
Sanderling Class



It has been a busy week for the Sanderlings. They have finished their work on Area and Perimeter in Maths and worked hard all week planning their biographies on Katherine Johnson. They tried singing and playing recorder to the Fresh Prince of Bel Air and learned the months of the year in French. They have had some brilliant aspirational events including a wonderful lesson on what it takes to be a lawyer and how to become a football coach. They even squeezed in a MFMS session and a trip to Southend Museum and Planetarium.

Have a restful weekend!

Mrs Emmings and
Miss Brailsford



Avocet Class

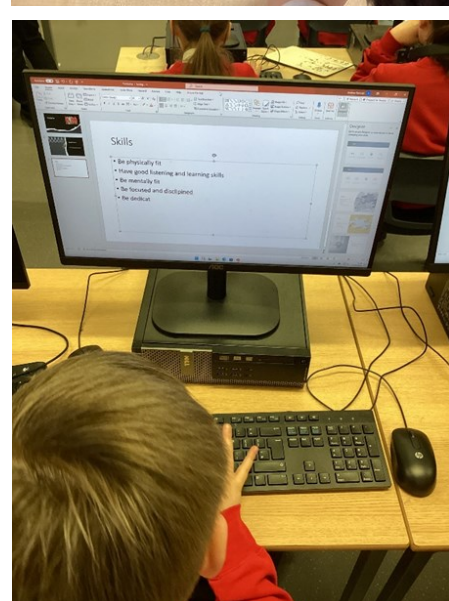
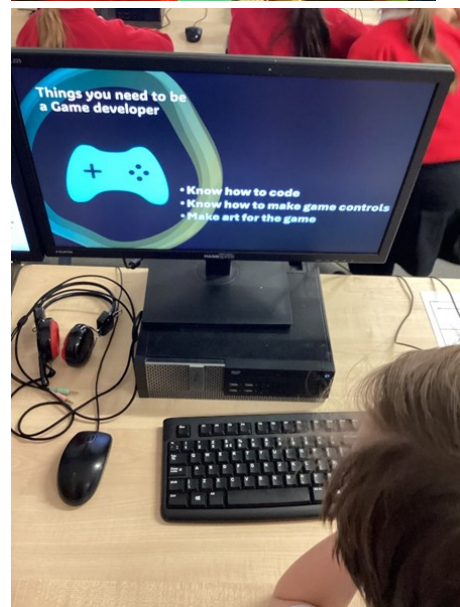
This week, Year 6 have joined the rest of the school in celebrating Aspirations Week. Beginning on Monday, we had a very interesting visit from Stanley's mum who explained to us about her fascinating career as a solicitor. She explained to us the difference between a solicitor and a barrister, as well as detailing the routes into the professions. A huge thank you for giving your time to inspire the next generation.

In our Computing lesson, we researched a career that we are interested in and created a Powerpoint presentation from our findings. Hopefully inspiring some future careers!

On Thursday morning, we had a visit from some coaches from Southend United who led us in some training sessions to enable us to experience life as a coach. They talked to us about their role within Southend United and other jobs available other than being an actual footballer.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Calvy, Ms Hardy and Miss Brailsford



School Menus

Week commencing: 08/01, 29/01, 26/02, 18/03						
WEEK 2		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Meat	Smoked salmon mac & cheese with broccoli	Battered chicken chunks with rice & peas	Roast Halal turkey, roast potatoes, mixed vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and gravy (H)	Halal spaghetti bolognaise with carrots (H)	All day breakfast
	Vegetarian /Vegan	Mac & cheese with broccoli	Vegetable nuggets with rice & peas	Roast vegan Quorn fillet, roast potatoes, mixed vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Quorn spaghetti bolognaise with carrots	Vegetarian all day breakfast
	Jacket potato	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo	Jacket potato with 2 toppings: cheese, ham, beans, tuna mayo
	Dessert	Frozen smoothie	Shortbread	Jelly	Cherry sponge with custard	Frozen mousse



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SATURDAY 27 APRIL

Year 7, Year 9 and Sixth Form Entry



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We have been contacted by The AIM Group who deliver **Free Online Level 2 Accredited Courses** to help better understand some key issues around young people's mental health and wellbeing, along with a range of other qualifications that may help with developing your own careers.

Here's some of the most popular subjects available:

Neuroscience in the Early Years

Children and Young Peoples Mental Health

Understanding Autism

Specific Learning Difficulties

Nutrition and Health

Adverse Childhood Experiences

Bullying in Children and Young People

Distressed Behaviour in Children

Mental Health Awareness

Counselling

Team Leading

Business Administration

Customer Service

These are just the popular qualifications, but they have over 30 available!

The qualifications are completed within a 6–12 week period in your own leisure. They are equivalent to a GCSE Grade C. You can do as many as you like, however you can only do one at a time.

The only criteria you must meet to be eligible, is:

Aged 19 or over on or before 31st August 2023

Have lived in the UK/EU for 3+ years

Not already on a Government funded course

Access to a laptop, tablet or computer

If you are interested in undertaking one of these free online courses or would like further information, then please complete the following link **ASAP**.

Please check your junk/spam emails once this link is filled out as your enrollment forms may end up in there.

This will then allow The AIM Group to contact you to discuss and get you started on your chosen course:

<https://theaimgroup.co.uk/booking-form/001Q500000DZHY1>

If you have any questions prior to expressing interest, call **Coral Young on 0203 8145 2015/01245 904827** or drop her an email at Coral.young@theaimgroup.co.uk



Awards and Notices

Ashley Banjo



Mo Farah



Ellie Simmonds



Jamie Oliver



Student of the Week

Award Board

**Avocet Class—
Jacob**

**Sanderling Class—
Harry**

**Curlew Class—
Oliver**

**Heron Class –
Emir**

**Seagull Class—
Finn**

**Oyster Class—
Poppy**

**Seahorse—
Eden-Grace**

Dress for Success

The class which achieves the best attendance, every half term, will be allowed to come to school in non-uniform the first day back of the next term.

The winners for this half term so far are
EYFS/ KS1 Oyster Class, having attendance of 93.21% overall
and in KS2 Sanderling Class with 97.28%.

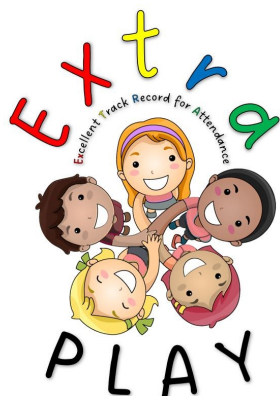


100% Attendance and Punctuality Prize

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

This week in EYFS/KS1, Alice the Bunny was won by Seahorse Class with 98.70% and in KS2, the attendance cup was awarded to Sanderling Class with 99.19%.

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





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 Jasper, Jacob and Oscar in Avocet Class on achieving their Bronze Catch Me! Award

Well done to Alfie and Alfred in Seahorse Class, Oliver G in Oyster Class, Nicholas, Reuben, Riley, Emily, Sammy and Ava in Seagull Class, Jake in Curlew Class and Stanley, Mia, Amelie and Freddy-Lee in Avocet on achieving their Silver Catch Me! Award.



FRIENDS OF HINGUAR

EGM



April 18, 2024

1.45 - 2.45pm

 George Suite, Hinguar Primary School & Nursery

EVERYONE IS WELCOME
STAY INFORMED & GET INVOLVED



Term Dates / Dates for Your Diary

Spring Term 2024 dates (updates in red)

Y5 Parent Consultations

20th March 2024 3.30pm—5.30pm

Y2 Music Festival

21st March 2024—am

Y3 Natural History Museum, Tring

22nd March 2024

Pupil Advocate Meeting

22nd March 1.30pm

FOH Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

22nd March 2024 2.45pm onwards

Reception Stick Man Day (Danbury Park)

27th March 2024

FOH Easter Egg Hunt

28th March 2024

Summer Term Dates 2024 (updates in red)

Y6 final residential meeting—Chigwell

16th April 2024, 3.30pm

Years 3 & 4 Production

23rd April 2024 @ 6.30pm

Years 3 & 4 Production

24th April 2024 @ 9.30am

Class Photos

25th April 2024

Y4 Roman Day

26th April 2024

Pre-loved Uniform sale

26th April 2024

Polling Day Local Elections (school closed)

2nd May 2024

Bank Holiday (May Day)

6th May 2024

Y6 SATs Week

w/b 13th May 2024

Y6 to Chigwell

20th—24th May 2024

SEESMA choir rehearsal (Hamstel School)

20th May 2024—pm

Yrs 2—5 Drumming and Percussion Workshop

21st May 2024 9.30—11.00

Pre-loved uniform sale

24th May 2024

Father's Day stalls

10th, 11th, 12th June 2024 (lunchtime)

SEESMA Concert—KS2 choir

14th June 2024 @ Cliffs Pavilion

Y2 to Colchester Zoo

20th June 2024

YR—Y5 School Assessment Week

w/b 24th June 2024

FOH Discos

27th June 2024

Sports Day & Picnic

1st July 2024

Y6 Transition Day

5th July 2024

Yrs R-5 Transition Morning

5th July 2024

FOH Summer Fair

6th July 2024

Reserve Sports Day

8th July 2024

Whole School Open Evening

11th July 2024 3.30pm—5.30pm



Term Dates / Dates for Your Diary

Hinguar's Got Talent

15th July 2024

Volunteer Afternoon Tea

16th July 2024 2.15pm

Y6 Graduation

18th July 2024 2.00pm

Y6 Leavers' Disco

18th July 6.30pm—8.00pm

School closes for the summer

19th July 2024 @ 1pm

Term Dates for Academic Year 2023-2024

Spring Term: Thursday 4th January 2024—Thursday 28th March 2024

Summer Term: Monday 15th April 2024—Monday 22nd July 2024

Half term 27th May –31 May, and May Bank Holiday 6th May

Inset Days 2023/24

Friday 28th June 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Inset Days 2024/25

Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th September 2024

Friday 29th November 2024

Friday 14th February 2025

Monday 24th February 2025

Term Dates 2024/25

Autumn Term : 3 September 2024—20 December 2024

Half Term 28 October—1 November

Spring Term: 6 January 2025—4 April 2025

Half Term 17 February—21 February

Summer Term: 22 April 2025—23 July 2025

Half Term 26 May—30 May