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Friday 9th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for attending parents' evening this week. It was good to see so many families in school, I hope you all enjoyed meeting with the teachers. Thank you also to the Friends of Hinguar team who were there both nights to meet (and recruit!) more of you.

Just a last reminder about our harvest collection. If you are able to contribute, please bring your donations to the office or send them with your children on Monday or Tuesday next week. The food will be going to the foodbank serving our local community.

As the weather has now started to turn and we will be seeing more coats in school – please remember to name them so that they can be identified. The lost property box is now outside under the school near the stairs for those items that we have been unable to return.

Communication

I just wanted to take this opportunity to clarify communication with staff at school, to help make sure you are getting to the right person. Most things should be for the attention of the class teacher. Problems, questions, and things we may need to know should all go directly to the teacher. If you do not come to the school to collect your child, call or email the office and ask for the teacher to contact you.

If you have a query about SEND, then please contact Mrs Attard directly. If you are concerned about your child please speak to her; any documents or letters from other professionals should go to her: senco@hinguar.secat.co.uk

For support with home life, attendance or emotional wellbeing please ask for Mrs Wilson at the office or speak to her at the gate.

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If you need to speak to me, please arrange this through the office. If you have a concern about the welfare of a child (yours or another) or the information is more private please email: dsl@hinguar.secat.co.uk

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you on Monday for our final week of the half term

Kind regards,



Mrs Goy

Headteacher

Safeguarding

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Fake news and disinformation online: What's the problem?

Fake news is false or misleading information presented as genuine news.

Your child (or yourself) might have seen fake news online about world events and conflicts, like Russia's invasion of Ukraine or conflict in the Middle East. Images and videos might misrepresent events, or be from an entirely different conflict or situation.

More recently, AI has been used to alter or completely make up fake images and videos. In some cases, it's very difficult to spot what's real and what's fake.

Fake news and disinformation has also been linked to radicalisation by extremists and attempts to skew people's world views. Extremist narratives include:

- Extreme right-wing narratives, which promote a belief that the world is ending and far-right groups can accelerate its end
- White-nationalist extremism, which can include antisemitic, anti-Islamic and racist conspiracy theories to promote white-nationalist ideology

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- Islamist extremism, which promotes violence against those who don't share their beliefs, support for terrorist organisations, and opposition to values like democracy and the rule of law
- 'Incel' narratives, which promote extreme misogyny and frequently anti LGBTQ+ views as well

Reading information like this can upset or worry your child unnecessarily. Fake news also helps create a culture of fear and uncertainty, with children trusting reputable news outlets less as a result of fake news.

How can I help my child spot fake news online?

Tell them to ask themselves:

- '**What's the source?** Is it a reputable news source, and are mainstream news outlets reporting it too?
- **When was it published?** Check the date an article was published, as sometimes old stories are shared on social media. This could be an accident, or it might be to make it look like something happened recently
- **Have you seen anything similar elsewhere?** What happens if you search for it on Google or check it using a fact-checking website like Full Fact?
- **Do the pictures look real?** Images might have been edited. They might also be unrelated images that have been used with the story
- **Why might this have been created?** Could someone be trying to provoke a specific reaction, change your beliefs, or get you to click a link?

Encourage them to **read beyond the headline** too. Many people share stories having just read the headline, then discover the actual story is quite different.

Point them to the government's SHARE checklist (https://sharechecklist.gov.uk/) and advice from Childline (https://bit.ly/3oYfsgd) too.

For more information about fake news, take a look at Educate Against Hate's resources and guidance.

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Upcoming dates

15th October	Prospective Parents Tour 3.45pm
16th October	FOH Pre loved uniform Sale 3.15pm in the playground
18th – 30th October	Half Term
3rd November	Prospective parents Tour 3.45pm
11th November	School nurse parents drop in 8.45am
13th November	Individual School Photos

For dates further in the future pleased see our school calendar on the website

Attendance

We celebrate good attendance in school, as this provides your child the best opportunities for success. Penalty notices may be issued for unauthorised attendance.

Winners of the weekly attendance award will have an extra opportunity to use the play equipment.

This Week's Winner

Reception/KS1	Seahorse	97.12%
KS2	Curlew	98.43%

The winners of the attendance award for the best attendance of the half term will have a non-uniform day at the end of term.

The Winners for the Half Termly attendance award for each Key stage are:

Reception/KS1	Seahorse	98.17%
KS2	Heron	98.34%

The winners can wear non-school uniform on the last day of this half term Friday 16th October.

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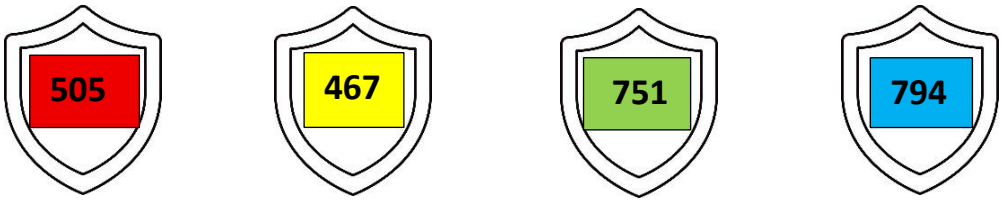
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House Points



Catch Me! Awards	
Any adult in the school can award a Catch Me! to a child for following our rules of being ready, respectful and safe Congratulations to the children who have collected enough Catch Mes for a reward.	
Bronze	**Nyah and Jessica in Heron Class, Albie and Rachel in Curlew Class and Jessica in Sanderling Class**

Community



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Southend Educational Psychology Service
Upcoming Parent Coffee Mornings

Introduction to Barriers to School Attendance (Part 1)

Designed to support parents and carers of both primary and secondary-aged children, this session provides a clear introduction to Emotionally Based School Non-Attendance (EBSNA), including key facts, research, and current understanding. It explores common risk and protective factors, helping parents recognise what may make school attendance more difficult, as well as what can support a child's resilience. The session also highlights early signs to look out for when a child may be beginning to experience EBSNA. In addition, parents will be introduced to early intervention strategies, the role of multi-agency support, and a range of helpful services and resources available to support both children and families.

05/11/2026- 10am-11am, Online via Microsoft Teams
26/11/2026 - 10am-11am,Online via Microsoft Teams
21/01/2027- 10am-11am, Online via Microsoft Teams
03/02/2027 - 10am-11am, Civic Centre, Committee Room 3
20/04/2027 - 10am-11am, Online via Microsoft Teams
10/06/2027- 10am-11am, Civic Centre, Committee Room 3

If you are joining a session online, via Microsoft Teams, please email: EPTeam@southend.gov.uk for the meeting link.

Southend Educational Psychology Service
Upcoming Parent Coffee Mornings

Barriers to School Attendance (Part 2)

Our part two parent session to 'Barriers to School Attendance' equips parents with practical tools and early-intervention strategies to support their child's attendance from home. It helps families better understand the reasons behind emotionally based school Non-Attendance (EBSNA) and why consistent support is so important. The session is designed to build confidence and hope, offering clear, achievable steps parents can take to make a positive difference.

08/12/2026- 10am-11am, Civic Centre, Committee Room 6
09/02/2027- 10am-11am, Civic Centre, Committee Room 6
18/03/2027 - 10am-11am, Online via Microsoft Teams
06/05/2027- 10am-11am, Civic Centre, Committee Room 3
22/06/2026- 10am-11am, Online via Microsoft Teams

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