

Friday 25th April 2025

I hope that you had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed spending time with family and friends and, perhaps, taking a break away from home too?

HEADLINE NEWS - Our Year 6 girls football team won the County Cup Final on Wednesday, making history for Buttsbury! What an achievement!

On Tuesday, we welcomed Mrs Barnes (Assistant Headteacher) and Mrs Morris (Year 6 Leader) back to school following their maternity leave. They have settled back into the swing of things very quickly and it has been great to have additional leadership capacity. We've had a very positive start to the term and, as well as all the other events planned, we welcomed educational visitors too - Melissa Heatherson, a consultant from Impetus Education, visited Key Stage 2, and Mrs Branch (Headteacher of Sunnymede Primary) and Mrs Gray (Headteacher of South Green Infants School) visited EYFS and Key Stage 1. Both visits went extremely well. Mrs Heatherson noted that the children's knowledge and recall of key facts was exemplary and was very impressed by their ability to articulate their learning. Mrs Branch and Mrs Gray commented on the consistency of approach, the creative approach to teaching and careful use of vocabulary.

Four classes in Key Stage 2, (6R, 6B, 5R and 3P), received letters from the Rt Hon Richard Holden (MP) this week. They were very excited to receive letters with the House of Commons postmark and eagerly read Mr Holden's replies to the letters they sent him in early April. We have the infant discos/magic show tonight so I am sure the week will end of an absolute high!



Nail Polish, Hair Accessories and Earrings

Just a reminder that nail polish is not allowed. Hair accessories need to be small and discreet and only small stud earrings are permitted - not hoops. Thank you!

Our warmest congratulations to Mr and Mrs Pye - Miss Woollard is going to remain as 'Miss Woollard' until the end of term though, to keep things simple!

Blue Peter Badges

Over 30 children completed the book review challenge in the junior library to gain a special 'Book Blue Peter' badge designed by Quentin Blake.

Oy Egharevba and Maisie Doyle are the first two children to receive them. If anyone else would like to earn a special badge they can enter directly on the Blue Peter website.

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Next Week's Diary Dates

School Dinners - Week 2

Monday 28th April

- Additional Parents' Evening meetings for some parents - appointment letters already sent where applicable

Tuesday 29th April

- 4C and 4LW visit to Abberton Reservoir - normal school timings, suitable outdoor clothing, water bottle, packed lunch and healthy snack. No money is needed.

Thursday 1st May

- Year 3 assembly at 9.15am

Friday 2nd May

- Infants - Mini-Marathon and Non-Uniform Day
- 4H and 4M visit to Abberton Reservoir
- Key Stage Two discos - Year 3/4 - 5.00pm - 6.30pm; Year 5/6 - 6.50pm - 8.20pm

Monday 5th May

- School closed - May Bank Holiday

Packed Lunches

Please can we remind you that we are a nut-free school as a number of children have allergies to nuts. Before Easter, we noticed some children had pesto with their lunch. As one of the main ingredients in pesto, is pine nuts, unless you are 100% sure it's the nut free version, please can packed lunches not include pesto. Thank you.

Year 3 Assembly - Thursday 1st May

You are warmly invited to join the Year 3 children for their assembly next Thursday at 9.15am - do come along and find out about the children's recent activities and learning. If you can avoid bringing toddlers and babies, that would be most appreciated please as they can be a distraction to our children. Thank you.



School Uniform

Just a reminder that Summer uniform for girls is a blue/white gingham dress. Please note that we do not allow playsuits to be worn as they present some interesting complications when visits to the toilet are needed! Boys may wear grey shorts rather than trousers. A little reminder also that hair cuts should not be shorter than a Number 2. Thank you.

Pre-Loved Uniform

If you would like to purchase any items (at a hugely reduced price) please contact Maggi (vice-chair of the infant PA) on: 07801 896254.

*'Maximum Effort for
Maximum Achievement'*

Memory Café Visit

Yesterday, some of the Key Stage Two School Councillors visited the Memory Café, at Mayflower Hall. The children had a great time interacting with all the people they met and definitely brightened the afternoon for everyone there. Our children always create a wonderful impression when they venture out into the community and it's always lovely to read the positive feedback following our visits. Thank you to Mrs Payton and Mrs Felton for accompanying the children.



St. George's Day

It was lovely to see the children who are members of uniformed organisations looking very smart and proud in their respective uniforms on Wednesday as we commemorated St. George's Day.



Key Stage 2 Year Group Emails

Please note that the email addresses are not monitored during the school day so please use the admin email account to notify the school about things like illness and appointments. Thank you.



Girls' Essex County Football Cup

Buttsbury's girls' football team made history on Wednesday by being our first team ever to win a girls' county cup.

The final was played at the home of Aveley FC, against George Carey School, in Barking. The first couple of minutes of the game saw the girls sizing each other up, with the ball bouncing about and tackles flying in but it wasn't long before Buttsbury started making use of the space on the pitch to pass around the opposition. One way traffic from Buttsbury resulted in shots peppering the George Carey goal before Bonnie fired in the all important first goal. Our defence of Ruby, Jorgie and Anna held strong before Alannah scored a sublime second to provide some breathing space. Amelie and Scarlett's tenacity in the middle of the park prevented any sort of comeback from the opposition whilst Ella continued to occupy wide positions causing George Carey defenders problems each time they picked up the ball. Two quick fire own-goals followed as a result of Buttsbury's continued pressure putting the team into a comfortable 4-0 lead. In goal, Alice had little to do, but, on the couple of occasions where they did break through, she had the situation under control. The final whistle came and girls ran out comfortable 4 - 0 winners! This was the perfect ending for the girls who have not lost a game in normal time for two whole years!

Once again, the girls' positive attitude, sportsmanship and camaraderie shone through with them being the perfect ambassadors to represent Buttsbury. Well done girls on a fantastic achievement! Thank you to ALL the parents and family members who came along to support and to Mr Cronin for giving up so much time to support and coach the girls. Thank you also to Mr Graves, our team manager and Miss Roe, for assisting with the girls' football club each week,

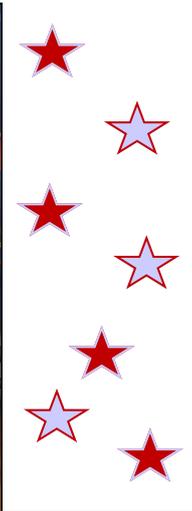


PE Kits

Just a reminder that children should be wearing shorts for PE rather than tracksuit bottoms as we are now in the Summer season of sport which hopefully might mean some summery weather soon!

Please note that leggings do not form part of our PE kit and should not be worn for PE lessons. Traditional school black PE shorts are preferred rather than cycle shorts.

EYFS/Key Stage 1 Celebrations



Top Left - Year 2 Merits
 Top Right - Year 1 Merits
 Above Left - EYFS Merits
 Above Right - Good Manners Award



All fifty things completed!

Fifty things to do at home before leaving primary school



Out of School Success



Celebration Assembly

'Well Done' to all the children who were awarded MERIT certificates this week.

Summer Mariner	Isla Bloomfield
Dara Omosabi	Anjola Oladele
Leah Ballestero	Jasmine Dong
Alex Metcalfe	Zack Brewer
Jack Robertson	Finley Pike
Alessia Tutuianu	April Marsh
Zehra Korkmaz	Harvey Perry
Jude Goad	Luke Pickering
Arlo Spencer-Nimmo	Nyla Baker
James Rowley	Teddy Thomas
Perdie Noble	Jack Cronin
Zac Wooder	Daisy Moughton

50 Things To Do Before Leaving Primary School
 Congratulations to **Ember Wood** and **Karen Pinder** who have both completed 20 things at home!

Pen Licences

Well done to **Seb Stephens**, **Logan Mariner**, **Tallulah Green**, **Rhys Carey**, **Vinny Cater** and **Zachary Arnold**, who all received their Pen Licences this week.



Out of School Success

- * Well done to **Olivia Mallett (3BW)** who took part in two dance competitions over the Easter holidays and won 2 bronze medals for her lyrical dance.
- * Congratulations to **Zachary Webster (4LW)** who was awarded MOTM playing football for **Perry Street Blacks** just before Easter.

This week's 'Writers of the Week' are:

Lola Hurry **Buzz Walker** **Joe Jackson**
Albie Rangecroft **Vira Fedorova** **Leif Emanuel-Francis**
Reuben Hilborne **Fred Cronjaeger**
 Well done to our writing super stars!



This week's 'Mathematicians of the Week' are:

Matty Rose **Rory Hearmon** **Mollie Hughes**
Daisy Mumford **Luke Pickering** **Zehra Korkmaz**
Erin Collins **Jasmine Dong** **Albert Amos**
 Well done to our magical mathematicians!

Afternoon Tea

Once again, the children really enjoyed coming along to 'afternoon tea' and enthusiastically tucked into the chocolate biscuits, cakes and squash. They were equally excited to talk about their favourite pieces of work this year.

This week's 'Readers of the Week' are:

Elliot Bailey **Spencer Goad** **Will Williams**
Emily Lycett **Chloe McGibbon** **Teddy Youngs**
Vihaan Aggarwal **Vincent Pranevicius**
 Well done to our enthusiastic readers!

House Points

This week's winning house:

Leopards



This week's 'Times Table Rockstars' are:

Cody Windsor **Charlie Saitch** **George White**
Asa Taylor **Nyla Baker** **Ella Tennet**
Isla Bloomfield **Alesha Mittal** **Finley Pike**
 Well done to our Times Table Champs!



Top Table

This week, the children chosen by the Midday Assistants to sit at the 'Top Table' were:

Faith Fenton
Lizzy Sheehan
Jacob Dyer
Michael Reason
Harry Shipway

This week's attendance figure is: 97.2%!

This year's attendance target is 97.0%.

A special 'Well Done' to **Robins**, **Woodpeckers**, **Oak**, **4H** and **5R** who all had 100% attendance this week!



Rainbow Awards

Congratulations to this week's **GREEN** and **YELLOW** award recipients:

Darcy Leftwich

Preston Mills-Martin Noah Webb

Tommy Akinlade

Clodagh O'Hara

Congratulations to this week's **ORANGE** award recipients

Sophie Bush

Alesha Mittal

Congratulations to this week's **RED** award recipients: Your non-uniform day is on **Friday 2nd May**

Elliot Bailey
Leonardo Parente
Josh Hale
Jacob Ovel

Noah Cannon
Alexandra Burgio
Ava Meade
Teddy Soar

Joe Jackson
Zack Brewer
Alfie Field
Alex Metcalfe

Nye Arentsen
Malachi Kwanzambi
Teddy Thomas
Teddy Youngs

Fred Cronjaeger
Bodhi Seabrook
Zachary Mason-Bauckham

Well done to this week's '**Bronze Pot of Gold**' recipients:

Maisie Doyle
Joseph Borg
Ryan Challand
Amy Clarke
Anastasia Markelova
Vira Fedorova
Chloe Pierce
Isha Sharma
MikaelAli Khan
Alfie Asfour
Rory Atkinson
Iris Balkwill
Bluebell Cole
Poppy Goring

Eloise Mills
Elizabeth Moody
Amelie Moore
Zac Russell
Ember Wood
Charlie Saitch
Darcy Baglin
Louie Dixon
Henry Smith
Reuben Hilborne
Maggie Dear
Jacqueline Fulker
George Day
Dougie Kerr

Ella Tennet
Callie Beadon
Summer-Rose Smith
Olivia Taylor
Erin Collins
Ethan Rae
Lara Austin
Mollie Hughes
Grace Ivimy
Hannah Sijo
Harry Mann
Florence Costello
Emel Enver
Amelia Mangan

Elliot Bacchus
Jessica Chinnery
Amelia Hudson
Emily Lycett
Elizabeth Sheehan
Harrison Wooder
Oscar Beckwith
Rory Buckley
Rhys Carey
Vinnie Cater
Arabella Cranfield
Freya Dormer
Anyia Farley
Vivaan Mukherji

Oscar Farley
Jeremiah Hernandez
Lewis Eggleton
Mollie Smith
Max Barford
Sophia Golberg
Evelina Kiafa
Sophie Moore
George Morgan
Daisy Mumford
Perdie Noble
Eione Phillips
Julio Ferreira Melo
Eni Omopariola

Hope O'Sullivan
Lola Prior
Jessica Reeves
Kelsie Ridall
Isla Sanders
Alfie Smallman
David Timperon
Conchobhar Veats
Poppy Walsh
Elodie Wang Gao
Joshua McCarthy
Esmae Lazell
Benedict Iweka

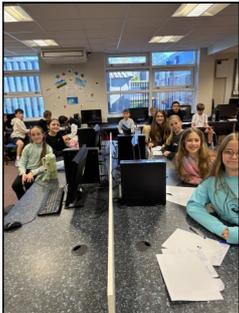


Year 6 Netball Club

Just a reminder that next week is the last session for Year 6 netball club as the season has finished.

B/C Netball Tournament

On Tuesday morning, our Year 5 and 6 netball teams took part in the B/C Netball Tournament which was held at The Billericay School. We played against six other schools including Stock, Brightside, South Green, St Peter's, Sunnymede and Quilters. Both teams played fantastically well and showed excellent sportsmanship throughout. It was lovely to see the two teams gel so well, especially considering they had never played together before. Overall, Buttsbury B finished in 4th place and Buttsbury C finished in 3rd place! Very well done girls! Miss Pretty and Mrs Lee were extremely proud of you! A big thank to Mrs Tennet, Mrs Rees, Mrs Lee and Mrs Taylor for supporting the event with transport. Additional thanks go to Miss Pretty, Mrs Lee, Mrs Coughlan and Mr Mynard for supporting the girls continuously at training sessions. Well done Buttsbury!



Easter Revision Class

It was lovely to see so many Year 6 children (63 in total) come along to the revision day at the start of the Easter holiday. I hope they found the sessions both helpful and enjoyable. My thanks go to Mrs Barnes, Mr Yaxley, Miss Watson and Mrs Pretlove for leading the sessions.

