

Friday 2nd May, 2025

We've had lovely warm weather all week which is always well-received, especially if it means the children can play on the field - something they absolutely love.

Today, we welcomed members of our Trust Board into school to enable them to undertake the monitoring aspect of their role. It was their first visit since we became a primary school and we certainly kept them nice and busy, looking at a variety of different aspects of the school development plan, ranging from writing in EYFS, through to the work of the Eco-Team in Years 5 and 6. They had a great day (I am sure they will sleep well this evening) and it was wonderful to welcome them into our primary school!

On the note of visitors, Buttsbury Primary School is well-overdue an Ofsted inspection so we are expecting the call any day now. To help us prepare, we have commissioned a Local Authority review for next Thursday and Friday. Whilst it will be stressful for us, the visit should provide valuable insight into strengths/areas to develop prior to our Ofsted visit. The team may come out to speak to parents at the gates so I thought I'd give you a 'heads up' so you aren't taken by surprise!

Wishing you a lovely extended weekend!

A plea from our Admin Teams

If you send an email to the School Office, please can you include your child's first name, second name and class in the email header. Thank you.



Next Week's Diary Dates

School Dinners - Week 3

Monday 5th May

- School closed - Bank Holiday Monday

Tuesday 6th May

- Year 3 visit to Colchester Zoo - arrive at 8.00am; wear school uniform with trainers, bring packed lunch and a healthy snack and up to £10 for the shop (if you want). Due back by 3.20pm
- Infant Class Photos
- SEND Drop In session - Junior Site - please contact Mrs Tracey, via either school office, to book an appointment

Thursday 8th May

- Year 6 Maths booster before school, instead of English
- Year 5 assembly at 9.15am

Year 5 Assembly - Thursday 8th May

You are warmly invited to join the Year 5 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.

Year 3 Assembly

Yesterday morning the parents of children in Year 3 were treated to a fabulous assembly which focused on the children's most recent history topic 'From the Stone Age to the Iron Age'. The children thoroughly entertained us all with lots of lively jokes and funny scenes. They spoke with great confidence and we were all very impressed by how many lines they had memorised. Well done to all our Year 3 children - you were absolute stars - and thank you to the Year 3 staff team for preparing the children so well.

School Discos - Tonight

Year 3/4: 5.00pm - 6.30pm

Year 5/6: 6.50pm - 8.20pm

£3.50 entry - pay on the door please

Please avoid dropping off at the front of the school and park in the playground if possible.

NO MOBILE PHONES ARE PERMITTED

Modesty Shorts

If your child chooses to wear modesty shorts under their Summer dress, please can they be white or a pale colour, and shorter than the dress. 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'*

MMR Immunisations

The East of England Community and School Aged Immunisation Service have shared the following dates and venues when any children can be brought along for MMR immunisation on a 'walk in' basis.

Wednesday 7th May 2025 - Northlands Family Hub, Davenants, Pitsea, SS13 1QX
10.00am – 3.45pm

Thursday 15th May 2025 - Northlands Family Hub 9.00am -11.45am

Monday 19th May 2025 - All About Family Hub (next to James Hornsby School), SS15 5NX 10.00am - 3.45pm

Abberton Reservoir

This week, Year 4 classes visited Abberton Reservoir on a field trip to support their topic "Animals and their habitats". They caught newts whilst pond dipping and used identification charts to work out the other types of amphibians they found. They also used identification charts to find the names of different meadow flowers. They looked at the colours, petals, leaves and stems to identify them. The mini beast hunt was interesting with worms, spiders, woodlice and centipedes being found and identified by the children. The highlight for many was the dissection of owl pellets to discover the skeletons of the many small creatures eaten by the resident barn owls!

Thank you as always to all the parents who gave up their time to accompany us on the trip. We all had a great time and look forward to using this experience to draw on throughout the rest of our topic.

Partnership Final Netball Tournament

On Tuesday morning, Buttsbury A team took part in the Partnership Final Netball tournament, which was held at Billericay High School. The girls thoroughly enjoyed playing against the 8 schools who also made it through within the partnership, including Quilters, Burnham, Maylandsea, St Joseph's, Elmwood, Abacus and Grange.

All of the girls worked hard continuously and there was some fantastic netball being played, including some great interceptions. Overall we finished in 1st place, meaning that the girls are now through to the County Finals in July! This is such a fantastic achievement and the girls should be extremely proud of themselves! They were excellent role models for our school and each of them received a certificate and a gold medal too which they wore with great pride!

Very well-deserved girls! We wish them continued success at the County Finals!

Thank you to Miss Pretty, Mrs Lee and Mrs Coughlan for assisting with the Girls' Netball Club weekly and for overseeing the teams at all their tournaments. A big thank you to Mrs Weddell, Ms Atkinson and Mrs Coughlan for supporting the event with transport.



Happy Running!

Mini Marathon

This morning, the children at the infant site took part in the TCS mini marathon in support of Mrs Coombs' London marathon fund raising. The children came into school 'ready to run', in their sports kits, full of energy and enthusiasm and they ran their hearts out! All of the children pulled together to achieve their target of 2.6 miles, well done everyone; even some of the teachers joined in! A great time was had by all and Mrs Coombs would just like to say a huge thank you for all of the kind and generous donations.



Mrs Coombs, at the finish line, with her son, Oliver, who volunteered at the event.

EYFS/Key Stage 1 Celebrations

School Disco/Magic Show

Combining the discos with a magic show worked to perfection as the children had a wonderful time, enjoying both parts of the evening.

We would like to thank the members of the Parents' Association, parents and staff, who gave up their Friday evening and helped to support the event! The total raised was £1069.43 which is a fabulous amount of money!



EYFS 'Stars of the Week'



Year One 'Stars of the Week'



Year Two 'Stars of the Week'



Out of School Success



London Marathon Success



Good Manners Award



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50 Things to do before leaving primary school
Don't forget to send a photograph into school of your child completing the different challenges.



Celebration Assembly

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

<i>Olivia Storey</i>	<i>Harry Tungate</i>
<i>Zac Russell</i>	<i>Faith Fenton</i>
<i>Henry Glover</i>	<i>Charlie Wood</i>
<i>Lauren Crook</i>	<i>Harry Baker</i>
<i>James Lyons</i>	<i>Archie Williams</i>
<i>Emily o'Keefe</i>	<i>Moudi Tarraf</i>
<i>Bonnie Atkinson-Lassman</i>	<i>Jacob Dyer</i>
<i>Louie Omer</i>	<i>Oscar Farley</i>
<i>Heath Tanner</i>	<i>Violet Mills</i>
<i>Thomas Dyer</i>	<i>Thea Jones</i>
<i>Marley Dowling</i>	<i>Hope O'Sullivan</i>
<i>Rhys Carey</i>	<i>Rory Buckley</i>

Pen Licences

Well done to **Emily Cullen**, **Rory Hearmon** and **Emily Porter** who all received their Pen Licences this week.



Out of School Success

- * Well done to **Zachary Webster (4LW)** who was awarded the trophy for 'U9 Coach's Player of the Season' at Billericay Rugby Club.
- * Congratulations to **Moraya Kemp (6B)** who won the ISTD ballet award on Sunday.
- * Well done to **Bella Pankhania (3P)** who won a trophy at her rugby club during the weekend.
- * Congratulations to **Arlo Spencer-Nimmo (3M)** who was awarded 'Man of the Match' for his football team, Perry Street U8 Greens, last weekend.



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

*Felix Plummer Finley Paton Eloise Higdon
Chloe Pickering Rory Coshell
David Golberg Florence Costello
Well done to our writing super stars!*



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

*Jacob Hobden Kayn Bowerman Lalya Faris
Sophia Rusu Harry Tungate Elodie Wang Gao
Jorgie Jackson Darcy Shorey Olivia Tait
Well done to our magical mathematicians!*

Afternoon Tea

This week's invitation was extended to the children who are Number 27 on the class register. As the year progresses, we are seeing a wider range of subjects being chosen to be shared as 'best' work - a particular favourite is literacy with the children often choosing their 'big writes'.



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

*Ewan Muller Jemima Broom Ruby Price
Sophia Buffoni Emelia Giddings Amelia Mangan
Sophia Christofi Andrei Aldea-Nicolaescu
Well done to our enthusiastic readers!*

House Points

This week's winning house:

Lions



This week's 'Times Table Rockstars' are:

*Zac Russell Ruby Ellis Jessica Pilka
Isabelle Oldland Louie Garwood Felix Duncan
Oyenmwena Egharevba Larry Mitchell
Well done to our amazing Rockstars!*



Top Table

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

**Harvey Perry
Isabella Davies
Amy Wells
Mahi Dalal
Grace Goodenough**



This week's attendance figure is: 97.3%

This year's attendance target is 97.0%

A special 'Well Done' to Class 4C who had 100% attendance this week! Congratulations!



Rainbow Awards

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

James Davies

Yasmin Salter

Bobbi Atkinson

Congratulations to this week's **RED** award recipients: Your non-uniform day is on **Friday 9th May**

Dara Omorebi

Rory Buckle

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

Joey Purkiss
Zachary Webster
Oliver Sutton
Evan Aarons
Gracie Birch
Isobel James
Daisy Moughton
Zach Wooder

Cody Windsor
Eduardo Chambers
Thomas Chandra
Bobby Rowling
Max Wilson
Kaiser Thorby-Mead
Ben Ferris
Thomas Laughland

Dexter Broom
Alex Drew
Violet Toll
Ewan Muller
Felix Plummer
Jack Wilkinson
Archie Williams
Jasper Wood

Austin Watts
Anjola Oladele
Aron Cuka
Cailin Mitchell
Joshua Murton
Albert Amos
Olivia Rees
Jamie Rocks

Sophia Buffoni
Harry Ekers
Peter Fallouh
Matthew Hughes
Oliver Hughes
Jorgie Jackson
Sienna Kareer
Isabelle Oldland

Eddie Turner
Arlo Spencer-Nimmo
Bailey Ramrutton
George Day
Harry Brooks
Louie Parnell
Chloe Pickering

Year 4 Bikeability

Well done to the following children who all completed their Level 1 Bikeability Course this week.

Thank you to Andy and Erika, our instructors, and also to Mrs Paige, in our School Office, for all her hard work with preparing letters, organising groups and dealing with the day-to-day organisation of the course.

Darcey Leftwich
Hannah Lister
Thomas Dyer
Noah Dias
David Golberg
Ayda Kemal
Heath Tanner
Jamie Baker
Lola Cohen
Violet Mills

Dominic Senior
Marley Dowling
Zachary Webster
Jude Cavanagh
George Bradley
Charlie Wood
Jack Campkin
Jemima Broom
Mollie Parker
Yasmin Salter

Felix Duncan
Noah Gazzard
Rory Buckle
Charlie Partridge
Amelia Maloney
Elliot Warman
Jake Cannon
Lewis Eggleton
Oscar Farley



Year 5 Basketball Tournament

On Friday morning, 24 very excited Year 5 attended a basketball competition at St Martin's School, organised by Alex and James Potter, of Brentwood Fire.

A full morning of games saw lots of rebounds, free throws and absolutely amazing play. All of the children showed great resilience, determination and grit. Above anything else, they showed fantastic team play and sportsmanship.

The final results saw Buttsbury 2 finish in 2nd place! A very deserved medal for Team 2. Well done to all our amazing players and thank you to the staff who accompanied them and the parents who helped with transport.