

## Friday News 31.01.2025

We welcomed Year 1 parents and carers to school for the first class assembly of the academic year. We are very proud of the Year 1 pupils who shared their learning so brilliantly well with their families. We were fortunate to have so many volunteers who wanted to read their stories and the Bee Bots were brilliant. We look forward to welcoming Year 3 families on Thursday for another brilliant assembly. Year 6 also welcomed Ms Webster from OSA. She comes in throughout the year to get to know the students before they move up to secondary school.

### Children's Mental Health Week

Next week Miss Balaam has organised a series of activities for children across the school to take part in. These activities are designed to show children how exercise and movement can improve their mental health. For these activities, please can children wear PE kit and trainers all week. We recognise that you may not have enough school PE kit for the week so can children please wear school colour (navy, black, grey, light blue) comfortable clothes such as leggings or joggers and T-shirts. No jeans or football kits please.

### Attendance

We achieved **95.1%** attendance this week, this is an increase on last week. Year 3 are our attendance champions this week with **97.1%**, well done Year 3! They were followed closely by Year 6 with 96.5% and Year 4 with 96.3%.

Next week is Children's Mental Health week, BBC Bitesize have some great wellbeing tips for parents to help you support a healthy, happy childhood. This includes advice on attendance related issues. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/groups/cw9v6l8d0q6t>  
#MomentsMatterAttendanceCounts

### Holiday activities

Please see the attached leaflet from First Site in Colchester which is holding some brilliant activities over the February half term.

### Key dates

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February - Children's Mental Health Week.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February - Year 3 Class Assembly.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February - Year 5 Bikeability.

### 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> February - Half Term

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February - Year 2 Class Assembly.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March - Year 4 Class Assembly.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Year 5 Class Assembly.

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March - Year 4 to Sutton Hoo.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March - EYFS Class Assembly.

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Parents Evening **YR-Y5 only**

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Year 6 to Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Year 6 residential to Thorpe Woodlands

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Year R to watch the Gruffalo at Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds.

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April - **Year 6** Parents Evening 3:30 - 5:00

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Year 6 Class Assembly.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Parents Evening

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April - Last Day of term

Have a very happy weekend everyone!



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*“Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them”*

MATTHEW 19:14