



WHAT'S ON

FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2018

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DIARY DATES

All [clubs](#) are on next week!

MON 8TH OCT, AM
Flu immunisations

TUES 9TH OCT, AM
School Photos

WED 10TH OCT, 10 – 12.45
Squirrels Picnic & Play

THURS 11TH OCT, 10 – 12.45
Foxes Picnic & Play

TUES 16TH OCT, 9AM
Y1 & 2 Family Learning Time,
followed by Parent Forum

FRI 19TH OCT
Defib Dress Down Day

WED 31ST OCT, 3 – 4.30PM
Halloween Disco (no staff
clubs that day)

[Dates and events are also
published on our website.](#)

SCHOOL MEALS

Next week's menu will be
[Week 3 – click for details.](#)

SHOOTING STARS!

MACI for her
positive attitude &
fantastic effort in all
her work!



ELI for fabulous effort in
writing & spelling!

SHAHINA for
working so hard on
her handwriting &
making sure it is always neat!



ALEXA for a beautiful retelling
of Hansel & Gretel!

LEXIE for amazing
singing & dancing in
the Harvest Festival!



ASA for being super helpful
around the classroom!

DARCEY for using
initial letter sounds
in her cupcake!



GRETCHEN for following HIPIP
values at all times!

AMY for good
listening & brilliant



MESSAGE FROM MRS CASTELL

Firstly thank you to all the parents, family and friends who joined us for our performance of Harvest Rock yesterday. We were so impressed with the energy and the participation of the children and we raised £125 for The Link Club. The cake sale raised a further £97 for WISPA, so thank you all for your cake donations and for supporting these events.

The School Council (pictured on the right) met with Mrs Herring this week and discussed their ideas for future fund-raising, such as Halloween disco, making things to sell and even washing the teacher's cups!



You will have received a ParentMail today, inviting you to our next Family Learning Time and Parent Forum on

Tuesday 16th October. Parent Forum is for all year groups. Please bear with us while we turn the hall round from a crèche! I will be discussing the priorities for the coming year, the plans for the well-being Hub, and ideas for fund-raising. If you have any other ideas please let us know using the ParentMail form. For reasons of confidentiality we are unable to discuss specific teachers, classes or children.

Tickets are currently being sold for the Big Sing. I do understand your comments about the lateness of the performance. The time is set by the Big Sing charity and the availability at Hylands School. As a one-off experience, it is worth it for the children who have loved the choir sessions to be given a chance to perform. I hope that the early notification of the date will allow you to make arrangements for younger siblings. The following day the children will be watching the Christmas panto, so they will have time to unwind.

Starting on 5th November, we will have a special week of events leading up to the 100 year anniversary of the end of World War One. Children will be asked if they know anyone who can talk about age appropriate memories of living in wartime, perhaps from stories passed down by other family members. Can I also give advance notice that "Carols on the Green" will be on Thursday 13th December at 5pm on the village green.

Finally, please ensure you check the diary dates on the left as there are lots of events to be aware of in the next 2 weeks, including flu immunisations, school photos, Picnic & Play, Family Learning Time, Parent Forum and our Defib Dress Down Day.

YEAR TWO NEWS

We have had a focus this week on handwriting and presentation of work. We have had a go at speed writing, dictation and copying writing accurately. We have seen an improvement but it will continue to be a focus. We have also been trialling the 'Amazing Me' scheme. The children are learning how to use a reflective journal to record their thoughts and feelings.

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problem solving with the water!
ALFIE for trying really hard to write his name in cursive!
EMILY for being so helpful & very enthusiastic towards everything this week!
ISLA for helping Mrs Herring to put all the school letters in children's trays & learning how to sound out each child's name!



COMMUNITY LINKS

FARLEIGH HOSPICE'S SANTA FUN RUN will be held on Sunday 2nd December in Central Park. For more information and to register to take part please [visit their website](#) or call 01245 457355.

AUTUMN RIVER LITTER CLEAN UP SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER

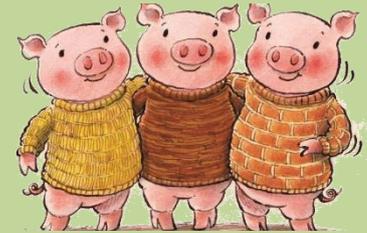
Meet in Baddow Road Car Park CM2 7PJ at 9am, Event finishes at 1pm. Free parking for all volunteers All equipment provided. Please wear suitable clothing and sturdy footwear. More information on the [Love Your Chelmsford Facebook page](#).

4-19 HEALTH DROP IN SESSIONS

at 2 locations:
Chelmsford West Delivery Site, Dixon Avenue, CM1 2AQ (next to Kings Road Primary School), 3pm- 4pm every other Monday: 15th Oct, 5th Nov, 19th Nov, 3rd Dec, 17th Dec. Alternatively at **The School House (opposite Moulsham Jnr School)**, Princes Road, CM2 9DG, 3.15pm- 4.15pm every other Wednesday: 10th Oct, 31st Oct, 14th Nov, 28th Nov, 12th Dec.

YEAR ONE NEWS

The children enjoyed listening to traditional tales this week and worked well when retelling the story of the Three Little Pigs. We have been concentrating on using full stops and capital letters and getting the children to understand the concept of a sentence.



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FOUNDATION STAGE NEWS

This week we were very excited to host some outdoor environment training. We welcomed 28 Early Years practitioners to our school. The training was led by Jude who is from the national company Early Excellence. We are running a further three sessions throughout the year. We have had lovely feedback about our garden and we were very proud to be chosen to showcase our provision. As many of you are already aware it was a major project last year! There is so much research about the importance of outdoor play and how it can support children's learning as well as children's well-being. Our children are outside as much as possible, so please remember warm coats as the weather starts to change. We look forward to seeing you all at Picnic and Play next week.

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WISPA UPDATE

Thank you for supporting the Harvest cake sale this week, which raised just under £100 for the school. You should have received invitations to our **Halloween disco** today, please let us have your replies as soon as possible. We have also arranged for all the children to design their own **Christmas cards**. These will be available for you to see at the Parents Evenings on 16th/17th October, so that you can order Christmas cards and gifts made from their designs. The order deadline will be 19th October.

NOTICES

- ★ **Please make sure you have named all uniform!** Names on clothing are starting to fade already, so please check them. If the uniform previously belonged to someone else, please re-name it.
- ★ **Please return all PE kits to school as soon as possible** if they have been used at clubs. Years 1 & 2 have PE three times a week, so children's kit must be in school at all times.
- ★ Thank you for all the positive comments regarding the issues we are having with headlice. Teatree oil has been suggested as a successful preventative measure.
- ★ Please don't pull up onto the pavement directly outside the school gate, we have had a couple of near misses with buggies/pedestrians recently. Also **please don't cross the school car park to get from the Junior School to the Infants** – we are concerned for the children's safety as we have lots of delivery vans and cars moving about.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK (Target 97%)



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