



WHAT'S ON

FRIDAY 24TH MAY 2019

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DIARY DATES

MON 3RD JUNE

Non-pupil day, school closed

TUE 4TH JUNE, 8.45AM

Children return to school
Clubs resume

THU 6TH JUNE, AM

Y2 Mini Games

FRI 7TH JUNE

Pyjamarama Day

TUE 11TH – THU 13TH JUNE

[Lodge Road closure](#)

TUE 18TH JUNE, 9 - 9.30AM

Family Learning Time

FRI 21ST JUNE

WISPA Dress Down Day

TUE 25TH JUNE, 9.10AM

Foxes Class Assembly

FRI 28TH JUNE

WISPA Dress Down Day

SAT 29TH JUNE, 11.30AM - 2PM

Summer Fete

TUE 2ND JULY, 9.30AM

Sports Day

MON 8TH JULY, 9 - 10.30AM

"Two Johns" E-safety session

SCHOOL LUNCH

When we return from the half term holiday lunch will be [Week 2 from our Spring/Summer menu – click for details.](#)

SHOOTING STARS!

ELSIE for always trying her best!

JOE for improvement in writing & the presentation of his work!

GREGOR realising the relationship between turning clockwise & anti-clockwise!

JOSHUA for trying really hard to re-tell the story of Zahra!

MESSAGE FROM MRS CASTELL

I cannot believe we are at the end of another half term! Well done to our intrepid group of dads, "Castell's Heroes", who completed their Nuclear Races challenge on Saturday. They raised the huge sum of £893 for our hub and we are so grateful for their commitment.

Thank you for supporting our Book Fair over the past week. We receive rewards for every book sold, giving us funds to buy lots of new books for our library. When we return after half term we are having a Pyjamarama Day for BookTrust. Children can come to school in their pyjamas, in exchange for a £1 donation to the reading charity, which provides 3.4 million children across the UK with books, resources and support.

Year 2 have had a PE lesson, a Music lesson and lunch at the Junior School this week, as part of their transition to Year 3. Year 1 had a brilliant day at Colchester Zoo yesterday, well done to all the children for being a pleasure to take on the trip and representing our school so well.

Thank you to WISPA for organising another successful Movie Night on Wednesday, which raised £243 for the school. So far almost £150 has been raised for the school from the [Easyfundraising app](#), which is amazing. You visit your usual online shopping sites via Easyfundraising and the click-through generates a donation to our school. It's a very simple process, please sign up if you can.

Please ensure that you take extra care when driving on the roads around the school at pick up and drop off times. There was an incident on Lodge Road yesterday afternoon involving one of our Ducklings children, who thankfully wasn't seriously injured.

We hope you have a relaxing half term. Please remember there is an INSET day on June 3rd, so children return to school on Tuesday 4th June. **Please ensure that you take note of the diary dates on the left and keep an eye out for reminders, as next half term is extremely busy with lots of important events.**

YEAR 2 NEWS

Thank you for the lovely models, pictures and paintings of flowers. They are beautiful and you've all been very creative! The children have started their transition into the Junior School. They started off the week with a PE lesson, lunch and play. Later in the week, they were treated to a music lesson with Mr Sills. The children came back full of excitement and are looking forward to their future visits. They have enjoyed learning about rotation and played robots! We used quarter, half and three quarter turns clockwise and anti-clockwise. They have had fun making paper flowers and wrote book reviews for Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. For everybody that was



ALL OF PARROTS for their fantastic behaviour on the school trip!



JESSICA P for always working so hard!



ETHAN F for working hard to learn the Phase 5 phonemes!

CHARLOTTE for asking lots of questions about the snails!



TIA for joining in well with her Phonics activities!

ALL OF SQUIRRELS for a fantastic assembly last week & working so hard this term!



READERS OF THE WEEK!



ISLA F-S, ALEXA, JOSHUA N, MASON L, JAMIE & BETSY!

COMMUNITY LINKS

Details of half term holiday activities at Chelmsford Leisure Centres are in reception or you can visit <https://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/getin>.

wondering, we have planned a reward trip at the end of term. Letters and information will be sent home after the holiday.

Please make sure the Mini Games permission slip has been returned. All children will need a full school PE kit and trainers that fit in school. These are essential for the Mini Games on Thursday 6th June.

[This week's home learning and spellings can be found on our website.](#)

YEAR 1 NEWS

We had a lovely day at Colchester Zoo and the children behaved impeccably. [We have added a photo gallery to our website.](#) The children wrote a recount of their day and this has been a great starting point to lead in to our next topic: "Saving the World". In Maths this week the children explored the concepts of position and direction. They used the vocabulary of left, right, in front of, behind, next to, beside, clockwise and anticlockwise. They also explored turns and made full and half turns to the left/right, clockwise/anticlockwise. In English/Geography they read the Julia Donaldson story called: The Stick Man. They discussed the change in seasons and weather and went on to use adjectives to retell the story.



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FOUNDATION STAGE NEWS

This week we have carried on our minibeast theme as the children have been so enthusiastic about them! We all went on a minibeast hunt on Wednesday. Foxes class found lots of snails so we are keeping them as pets for a while. Mrs Fisk says she will take them home over half term unless anyone would like to look after them? Please let Mrs Fisk know at the end of the school day. We have begun practising for Sports Day. The children have been brilliant at working together in teams and learning how to throw the foam Javelins! We hope you have a wonderful half term holiday and we are looking forward to the last half term. Let's hope its a sunny one! Please ensure your children have sunhats and suncream in their bags when they return. We would still like them to wear trainers as they are safer than sandals.

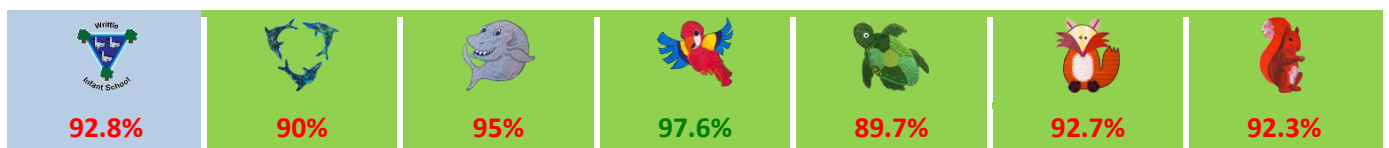


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NOTICES

★ The highly acclaimed "Two Johns" will present their e-safety session for parents on Monday 8th July, 9 – 10.30am. Please try to attend if you can.

ATTENDANCE (Target 97%)



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