




WHAT'S ON

FRIDAY 14TH JUNE 2019

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DIARY DATES

- TUE 18TH JUNE, 8.30AM**
Parents Breakfast / 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

Next week's lunch will be [Week 1 from our Spring/Summer menu – click for details.](#)

SHOOTING STARS!

- CEZAR** for showing excellent arithmetic skills! 
- EMILY L** for maths problem solving & explaining her answers!
- LEON** for great work in Phonics! 
- SAM G** for fantastic writing about penguins!
- OLIVER** for brilliant persuasive writing! 
- TIANA** for working hard in Phonics!
- THEO** for being able to find money totals & give change! 
- FABIAN** for thoughtful comments & ideas about saving the world!

MESSAGE FROM MRS CASTELL

We've had another very busy week, with induction meetings for parents of children starting in September and Year Two continuing their transition visits to the Junior School. Year One have taken the phonics screening in their stride – we are very proud of them! Roger from Cats Protection visited Foundation Stage and taught our Foxes and Squirrels lots of facts about the feline family. We were delighted to learn this week that we have been awarded a silver Artsmark, which is a testament to the hard work of all the staff in developing our arts provision and links with outside providers. Our next event is an art week themed around sustainability of resources.

We're looking forward to our Parents' Breakfast on Tuesday! Thanks to so many of you for responding positively, we hope to see lots of you there to find out a little more about the Health & Happiness Hub. Doors open at 8.30am for children to go down to class, while you enjoy croissants and orange juice in the hall. After the brief presentation you can join your children in class for Family Learning Time. Please remember we can't offer a creche this time, but younger children are welcome to join you. If you can't attend the hub meeting, please arrive at 8.45am as normal.

The Summer Fete is two weeks tomorrow! The first dress down day is next Friday. Please donate any good quality but unwanted soft toys. If you can offer any help with the event, even if it's only half an hour of your time, we would be hugely grateful. Please speak to the office.

You may have seen in the news that the May Day bank holiday in 2020 has changed from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May, in celebration of VE Day. We will update our academic calendar to reflect this.

YEAR 2 NEWS

In English, we have been researching the different species of penguin that live in Antarctica. We have been writing some facts about various penguin species. As part of our RE curriculum, we have been finding out about the different creation stories. Last week we learnt about the Christian creation story and this week we covered the Hindu creation story. The children seemed really interested in the creation stories and we look forward to covering some different religions over the next few weeks. The children enjoyed their visit to the Juniors this week. They went



Artsmark Silver Award
Awarded by Arts Council England



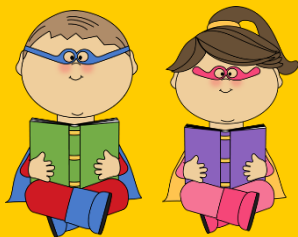
BADEN for drawing an amazing symmetrical butterfly!
BENJI for good tidying up!



PRIMROSE for always thinking of wonderful ideas & sharing them with the class!
LUKE M for always working incredibly hard & being so helpful!



READERS OF THE WEEK!



ANDREAS, THOMAS, SAM C, OLIVER L, TED & HARRY!

COMMUNITY LINKS

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL VACANCY
 Would you like a rewarding opportunity within the community? We currently have a vacancy for a School Crossing Patrol Officer at our school. No experience is required and full training and uniform is provided. The role is part time and term time. If you or someone you know may be interested please visit www.workingforessex.com, call the School Crossing Patrol Service on 03330 139788, or email your details to school.crossingpatrol@essex.gov.uk.

on an iPad trail around the school grounds and seem really excited about their future visits. Next week they will spend the whole of Friday morning in Year 3 and we look forward to hearing about their trip.

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

YEAR 1 NEWS

Year One have embraced the theme of Saving the World. They have been discussing how plastic pollution is affecting the whole world. They looked at a short video clip of Henderson Island in the South Pacific and were shocked to learn that it is one of the most polluted places in the world and has an estimated 38 million pieces of plastic polluting it. They were also shown images of Southend beach after a bank holiday where people had left lots of rubbish. Again the children were shocked and decided they wanted to try and convince people that they should throw rubbish in the bin and recycle plastic. As a result they made their own newspaper articles and wrote persuasive letters. The children have also been working on the prefixes and suffixes: un, er and est. In Maths the children continued recognising and counting coins and also practised the days of the week and months of the year. They thought about dates that are important to them such as their birthday and also used a calendar.



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FOUNDATION STAGE NEWS

We've had another fun packed week with our special little visitors the caterpillars! We have been learning all about the transition from caterpillar to chrysalis to beautiful butterfly. Having a butterfly theme this week has also introduced us to symmetry in Maths. We created our own symmetrical wings and noticed how many things around us have lines of symmetry. We are very excited to invite you into our classrooms next week for Family Learning Time. Please note that the doors will open at 8:30am to allow parents to attend our meeting about the school hub with Mrs Castell. If you are unable to attend the meeting, Family Learning will start at the normal time of 8:45am. We will be having an arts and crafts morning making caterpillar masks and butterfly wings!



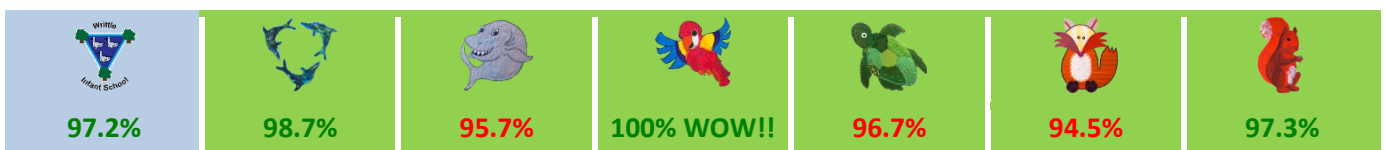
Have a wonderful weekend!

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NOTICES

- ★ We now have a Twitter account! Follow us [@writtleinfant](https://twitter.com/writtleinfant).
- ★ We would be hugely grateful if you could sign up to the [Easyfundraising app](#), which raises money for the school through your online shopping.

ATTENDANCE (Target 97%)



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