



Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Melanie Vine, Headteacher

### Last week's closure and a grand opening!



I would like to thank parents for their understanding of the need to close the school last week due to the extreme weather conditions.

I am sure you are looking forward to spring arriving as we are!



We will be holding a grand opening of Tom's garden on 28th March at 2.30pm. All are welcome.

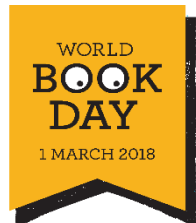


#### Well done for working so hard!

**Abigail Heaney** – an informative poster about blood. **Katie-Jane Connolly, Skye-Marie Reilly** and **Maddie Neil** – excellent team work in solving a mathematical problem. **Chloe Shrubbs** – a superb parasol. **Reuben Moore** – super reasoning to workout missing number problems. **Charlie Fisher** – for good use of jottings to help solve number problems. **Amelia Sleep** – for great maths using a number line. **Eloise Court** – outstanding thinking in maths. **Bodi Hales** – an amazing design and build of a playground-climbing frame. **Sophie Baker** and **Ruby Campbell** – for mastering subtraction. **Callum Edwards** – for an interesting book on Japanese vocabulary. **Louie Mead** – for entertaining film making.



#### World book day – 08/03/18



It was lovely to see so many wonderful costumes on Thursday for our rescheduled world book day. We had lots of Horrid Henry's, Where's Wally, Cinderella's, Harry Potter's to name just a few!

Children had the opportunity to 'swap' books in the school hall, each class had the opportunity to go and select a book in exchange for one they had brought in.

#### No clubs

There will be no afterschool clubs on 26th and 27th March due to the Y3/4 production.



A warm welcome from Earls Colne Primary School to **Carter Warren** who joined the school on 27<sup>th</sup> February and **Bobby Warren** who joined the Nursery on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018.



#### THANKS

The Governors would like to thank Chris Calver of Rapid Electronics. For his kind donation of a "Dash" robot for the school. We are looking forward to seeing what fun learning he can bring!

**Dan Salt, Parent Governor**

#### Inclusion Manager 'Drop in'

The Inclusion Manager is holding a 'drop in' session on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1.15-3.15pm. If you have any concerns or queries about your child's learning, drop in for a chat. Alternatively, you can call the office and ask for an appointment.

#### Class photographs

Please return all class photo orders by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Thank you.



## VACANCIES

Please see the school website for all of our current vacancies:

### Swimming Teacher



Are you a qualified swimming teacher?

Do you have a lifesaving qualification?

Would you like to teach children of all ages in our very own heated, outdoor pool?

We are looking for a swimming teacher to give lessons during the second half of the summer term (4<sup>th</sup> June - 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018) for approximately 25 hours per week.

A pool plant operating qualification would be an advantage but not essential.

Please contact the school office (01787 222205) [admin@earlscolne.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@earlscolne.essex.sch.uk) for an application form and further information.

### Learning Support Assistant



Band 2 Point 11-14

17 hours per week

Required: As soon as possible

At Earls Colne Primary School and Nursery we aim to:

*'Inspire all children to create and achieve'.*

We are looking for a special person to work in Key Stage 2. We are a large, vibrant primary school with a friendly and creative team. Our children are delightful.

We are looking for a Learning Support Assistant who:

- Is highly motivated and committed to achieving the best for every child
- Sets high expectations for themselves and children
- Can foster positive relationships
- Is flexible and able to work collaboratively as part of a team

Applicants must have a good standard of English and Maths and recent experience of working within a school environment. Earls Colne is a 'buzzing' school. Come along and see what we can offer.

Visits warmly welcomed.

Closing date: 23rd March at 9.00am

## Key dates – 2018

### March

9th	Non-uniform day in aid of Scout hut
14th	Friends AGM – school hall. All welcome.
26th & 27th	Y3/4 production – 6.45pm
28th	Grand opening of Tom's Garden – 2.30pm
	Reception singing in hall – 2.40pm followed by the Easter Egg hunt
30th	Good Friday

### April

-13th	Easter break
30 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 movie night

### May

7th	Bank Holiday
8th	Y6 extended visit Pp meeting – 7.00pm
14th-17th	Y6 SATs breakfast club
14th-17th	SATs
25th	Reception open afternoon – 2.40pm
28th-1st	Half-term

### June

8th	Inflatable soccer day
12th	Hollywood intake day 1
14th	Hollywood intake day 2
15th & 18th	Non-pupil days
19th-21st	Math workshops
26th	Ramsey Intake – day 1
27th	Ramsey Intake – day 2
29th	EYFS/KS1 Sports day – PM

### July

2nd-4th	Y6 Extended visit to Mersea Outdoors
2nd	Y5 Viking workshop
4th	Reception 2018 intake day 1
5th	Y5 taster day at Ramsey Academy
6th	Friends summer fete
11th	Y5/6 production – 7.00pm
12th	Y5/6 production – 7.00pm
13th	Meet the teacher/EYFS 2018 – intake 2
16th	KS2 sports day – All day
19th	School discos
20th	Y6 leavers assembly



### The Tiptree & Stanway Primary Schools' Consortium are supporting E-Safety Internet Awareness: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March, 7 – 9pm

At St George's New Town Junior School,  
Canterbury Road, Colchester, CO2 7RU



Most children spend time online; it's a great way to socialise, explore and have fun. Children do, however, also face risks like cyberbullying or seeing content that's inappropriate; for example pornography and violence. There is also the very real risk of children being contacted and messaged by strangers.

- Please either e-mail [admin@st-georgesnewtown-jun.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-georgesnewtown-jun.essex.sch.uk) or telephone: 01206 506800 and state your name, the school your child attends and number of places required.
- Parking should be available on the roads near to the school, but please allow time to find spaces
- PLEASE NOTE: this event is NOT SUITABLE for children to attend with you



### The Relaunch of Ark

*Come and have an informal, private chat with other parents*

Share ideas

Support one another

Led by parents



Guest Speakers

Access to professionals

*Play area for younger siblings*

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018**  
(followed by the last Monday of each month)  
9.30 am until 11.00 am

The Acorn Children's Centre  
The Old School Hall  
Beridge Road  
Halstead  
CO9 1JH  
Email : [dhackett@holyltrinityhalstead.com](mailto:dhackett@holyltrinityhalstead.com)

# Easter Activity Camp

**£55  
3 Days or  
£20 per  
Day**



Non stop activities with qualified coaches. Join us for Tennis, Hockey, Football, Athletics and many more fun games.

9-11th April from 9.30 - 3pm at Earls Colne Tennis Club. £55 3 Days or £20 per Day  
To book text Dave Birks on 07515 512875 or sign up online at [www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/earlscolnetennisclub/Coaching/Camps](http://www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/earlscolnetennisclub/Coaching/Camps)




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**5th & 12th April**



Non stop fun activities all day including mini tournaments and trophies, plus Easter eggs for all who attend

Earls Colne tennis club  
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