



Friday 8th June 2018

Melanie Vine, Headteacher

Swimming lessons have started!

We are extremely fortunate to have our own swimming pool and the children are always very excited when we begin using it. We are also very fortunate in having a small team of dedicated parents and grandparents who give up many hours of their time to act as 'spotters', without their help and 'Friends' who pay for all the costs associated with the pool including the hire of a swimming teacher we would not be able to have swimming lessons. As you can see from the below photos the swimming pool is enjoyed by all pupils from EYFS-Y6.



Moving up to Y3? Are you eligible for free school meals?

It is important for children to have a good nutritious meal at lunchtime, children in EYFS and KS1 enjoy their free school meal under the governments Universal Free School Meals scheme where all children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 are automatically eligible. If you can't afford school dinners for your children in Y3-6 you may be eligible for free school meals. However, you are not automatically eligible and will need to apply online at

<http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Pupil-Parent-Support/Pages/Healthy-Living-School-Meals.aspx>

To be eligible you must be receiving one of the following:

- income support or income-based Job Seekers Allowance;
- Child Tax Credit with an annual taxable income of less than £16,190 (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit)
- Pension Guarantee Credit;
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance;
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

If your child is entitled to free school meals in Y3-6 they will also be entitled to receive £1,300 per child (known as Pupil Premium). We use this money to provide additional support and equipment for **your** child. It will not affect any other benefits you are claiming.



A warm welcome from Earls Colne Primary School to **John and James Stevens** who joined the school on Monday 4th June.



Well done for working so hard!

Madeleine Preston, Briana George-Partridge, Emmy Jeffreys, Ollie Gooding and Tyler Simmonds – super writing about Christopher Columbus. **Madeleine Preston, George Swinbourn, Mattie Bolton, Farrah Field-Mullins, Sophie Lenney, Bella Lingley and Harrison Barrett** – Good work in English extending sentences. **Jasmine McKinnon-Dawson** – a carefully made purse. **Travis Ward** – amazing progress in writing!

Hello



Goodbye

Sadly, at the end of the academic year, Mr Greatorex, Mrs Southgate, Mrs Leach and Miss Pyne will be moving on to pastures new. They have been fantastic members of staff and we wish them well in their new roles. Miss Abo Henricksen, Ms Curtis and Miss Winterbourne will be joining us in September.



Attendance champions

Congratulations to Monkeys and 5/6AW class whose attendance was 98.6% for the week commencing 21st-25th May 2018.

VACANCIES

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Band 4 to mid
37 hours per week
41 weeks per year
Required September 2018

We are looking to appoint a talented and highly motivated person to take an important role as the School Administrative Officer in our wonderful school.

We are looking for someone who:

- Has very effective management, administration and recording skills
- Is highly competent in IT computer skills
- Has excellent communication, presentation and social skills
- Has a clear understanding of financial procedures and data management
- Is able to work on their own initiative-a flexible and proactive approach will be essential.

If you want to be part of our friendly, committed and supportive team come and see what we have to offer.

Please contact the school office for further details or to arrange a visit 01787 222205

admin@earlscolne.essex.sch.uk

Closing date: 28th June 2018 at 9.00am

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

Appointments are subject to satisfactory references and an enhanced DBS check.

MIDDAY ASSISTANTS

We are currently looking for Relief Mid-day Assistants. The post is to cover the lunchtime period between 11.45 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. Please see Mrs Shuttlewood in the school office for further details.



Non uniform day – Friday 22nd June 2018



Friday 22nd June is a non uniform day. Friends are asking for donations of sweets for the sweet tombola.

Message from Friends

A polite request for cakes to be brought in on the day and any donations of bottles of alcohol for a 'drinks wheelbarrow' prize. Sweets for the tombola can be brought in from Tuesday 19th so we are not struggling on the day to get them ready! Thank you.

Summer Fete – Fancy dress competition

To open up the summer fete Friends PTA will be holding a fancy dress competition for Nursery, Reception and children in Y1 and Y2. There will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize to be won.

The Summer fete is held at school each year by Friends PTA, who are a group of parents dedicated to fundraising for the school.

The Fete usually has inflatables, various stalls, cakes, music, food and a bar. It is a lovely event held after school on a Friday.

Help from parents is required on the lead up, on the day setting up or just on the afternoon from 3pm.

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Please contact Laura Stringer (Chair of Friends) on 07977921878 if you would like to help.





The Colchester School of Dance presents

Step Back In Time

Charter Hall
Saturday 7th July 2018

Tickets:
Adults £17
Concessions (under 10, over 60) £14

Matinee:
Doors open 2:00pm Show: 2:30pm

Evening:
Doors open 6:30pm Show: 7:00pm

Principal: Miss J E Hansford
www.colchesterschoolofdance.co.uk

Charter Hall, Colchester Institute World, Cowdray Avenue, Colchester, Essex, CO1 1YH
Box Office: www.colchester-events.co.uk

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN

Colchester School of Dance Summer School 2018

Monday 23rd July - Friday 27th July 9.30am - 3pm
Stanway School

Age 6-13 years

Dancing, singing, drama and acrobatic arts

£125 for the week

Performance to parents on the last day

For more details email: janeosod@btinternet.com or jowhite.csod@gmail.com

The Colchester School of Dance
Summer Workshops

Wednesday 8th Aug & Wednesday 29th August 9.30am-3pm
Earls Colne Village Hall

Come and join us for a fun day of classes including Street Dance, Singing ,
Drama and Contemporary/Ballet

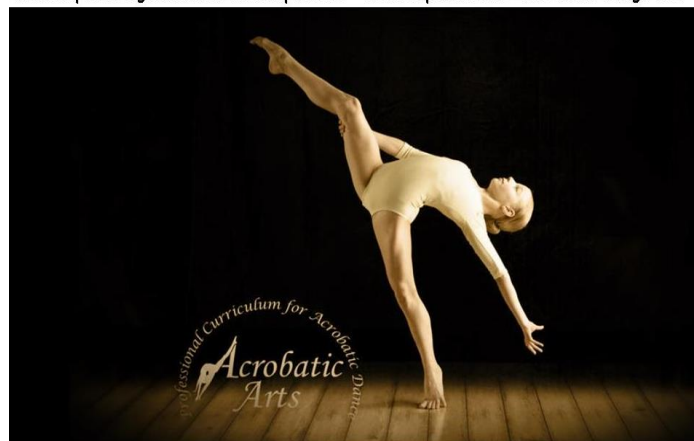
Suitable for children age 5 - 13yrs (no experience required)
£25 for the day , CSOD members discounted price of £20

To book your place please contact
Jane Hansford janeosod@btinternet.com (07855 380739)
or Jo White jowhite.csod@gmail.com

The Colchester School of Dance

Coming soon ...Acrobatic Arts classes Suitable for ages 5-13 yrs

Saturday morning classes at Stanway School Thursday afternoon Earls Colne Village Hall



Email for more details : janeosod@btinternet.com or jowhite.csod@gmail.com

Key dates – 2018

June	
11th	Rounders tournament 11.30-3.15pm
12th	Kwik cricket tournament 10.00-1.00pm
4th	Swimming lessons commence
5th-7th	Y3/4 visit to Earls Colne museum
12th & 14th	Honywood intake day 1 & day 2
15th & 18th	Non-pupil days
19th	Y5 netball team to Ramsey – 10-12pm
19th-21st	Math workshops
22nd	Friends summer fete – 3.30pm
25th	Code club sharing with parents – 3.00pm
26th & 27th	Ramsey Intake – day 1 & day 2
26th	Reception 2018 parents meeting – 7.00pm
29th	EYFS/KS1 Sports day – 1.40pm
July	
2nd-4th	Y6 Extended visit to Mersea Outdoors
2nd	Y5 Viking workshop
3rd	Y5 Primary learning day at Honnywood
4th	Reception 2018 intake day 1
5th	Y5 taster day at Ramsey Academy
6th	Music assembly with Mrs Watts – 9.00am
9th-11th	Ormiston Academy intake
11th & 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 big picnic