



Friday 9th November 2018

Melanie Vine, Headteacher



What an Amazing Firework Night! A massive amount of money was raised for our children - **£4,500!** I would like to make a special thank you to Mrs Boulton and the team of volunteers who worked tirelessly throughout the day and night. Thank you to Pyromania the fireworks team for their **very** impressive display, Mrs Edwards and the scouts who prepared all the yummy food and to all the parents who helped set up during the day on Saturday. We would also like to thank Mr Ogilvie for his hard work preparing the site and ensuring that everything was back to normal for Monday morning.

If you can spare some time helping at any of the events Friends organise we would love to hear from you! If you would like further information, please contact the school office.

ECPS is getting a new look!

Earlier this week we informed you that there will be changes to the badge on school sweatshirts from January 2019.

We wanted to update parents as soon as possible about this change so that anyone considering buying new uniform had the opportunity to wait until the new school sweatshirts become available.

You might be wondering why we are making the change?

The school's look (branding) has been the same for a considerable number of years. As part of a wider project developing a new website for the school it has been decided that now is the time to bring the presentation of the school brand up to date and to establish a coherent identity for ECPS. This exciting project will include the development of a new logo for the school and an overall new look. We want the new identity of ECPS to set us apart and reflect the values of the school in 2019. The new identity for the school aims to characterise the high standards of education we strive to deliver and inspire all within the school community.

The new ECPS sweatshirts are not mandatory. Children may wear their current uniform for as long as required and sweatshirts can be replaced with the new style as children outgrow them.

A number of items will carry the new ECPS logo including school sweatshirts, cardigans, nursery T-shirts and school bags. We are currently in the process of getting samples produced and will put them on display in the school entrance as soon as we receive them.

The change to the school sweatshirts also provides the opportunity for us to consider an alternative and possibly local supplier for our uniform. This is something that we will be looking into and we will update you in due course.

We hope the advance notice will enable you to plan your uniform purchases for the rest of this year. Thank you in advance for your co-operation in this matter and for your continued support of the school.



Attendance champions

Congratulations to Tigers whose attendance was **99.31%** for the week commencing 29th October – 2nd November 2018.

Friends Christmas Fayre Meeting

Friends will be holding a meeting regarding the Christmas Fayre on Monday 12th November at 1.30 pm at the Lion. If you would like to help or have some ideas, please come along. Alternatively, if you cannot make that day/time we will be holding another meeting in the evening on Wednesday 14th November at 6.30pm at the Lion. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see you. If you cannot attend any of the meetings, but would like to put forward some ideas, please email candace@boulton.uk.net



Is your child starting school in September 2019?

Have You Considered Our School?

We welcome children from Earls Colne and the surrounding areas. If you haven't thought of us or if you're still undecided, we would love to show you what we can offer your child.

We have an incredibly talented teaching team who make learning exciting and fun, while achieving very high standards. Visitors always comment on the enthusiasm and engagement of children during lessons.

Come and see for yourself. It's not too late! We are holding open mornings on:

19th, 20th 21st and 22nd November

To book a visit, please email: ecps@earlscolne.essex.sch.uk
Or call the school office on: 01787 222205

Earls Colne Primary School and Nursery

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Primary School Admissions

Parents of children born during the period 1 September 2014 to 31 August 2015 can apply for primary school places between **12 November 2018 and 15 January 2019.**

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS APPLY ON LINE

Apply online at www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

Essex County Council

Key dates – Autumn 2018	
November	
9 th	100 th anniversary of the end of WW1
16 th	Wear something spotty – Children in Need (not a non-uniform day)
19 th -21 st	Open week
December	
4 th & 5 th	KS1 nativity – 2.00pm
6 th	EYFS nativity
7 th	Christmas Fayre
11 th	Flu immunisations
12 th	Reception 2019 online applications open
14 th	Christmas jumper day
	Christmas dinner
20 th -6 th Jan	Christmas break (3 rd and 4 th non-pupil)

Earls Colne Baptist Church Sunday 11th November 4 p.m.

Messy Church Remembrance

Cake sale to support one of our young people working on mission in Kenya

100 Year Anniversary of the end of WW1

The children will leave school today with a poppy they have made. Reverend Allen has kindly agreed for St Andrew's (opposite the school) to be open at 3.10pm so that the children can take their poppy for display in the church, should you wish to do so. The church bells will be ringing as a symbol that battle is over as the children go home.

Healthy snacks

We try to promote healthy eating in school and ask parents to provide a healthy snack for their child's break time. Please do not send your child into school with crisps, chocolate bars or sweets.

Children in Need

On Friday 16th November please wear something spotty for Children in Need and bring in a small donation. It is not a non-uniform day.