The Buzz

Keeping you up to date with our weekly news bulletin

Earls Colne PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

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Welcome to the Earls Colne Primary and Nursery School Newsletter.

Important Notice: Keeping Your Child Home When Ill

To maintain a healthy school environment, please keep your child home if they have symptoms like fever, vomiting or diarrhea. They should return only when they are symptom-free for at least 48 hours. This helps protect everyone's health and supports effective learning. **Please see the last page of the Newsletter for advice on keeping your child off school.**

WELL DONE FOR WORKING SO HARD!

Bea Still – amazing division skills!

Attendance Champions

Congratulations Zebras class whose attendance was a fantastic 99% for the week beginning 17th March 2025.

Key dates – 2025	
March 2025	
24th	Y3-6 Girls Sports Festival
26th	Y3/Y4 Easter Service (2pm)
27th	Y3/Y4 Easter Service (10am)
April 2025	
01st	Parents Evening
02nd	Y3 Fingringhoe
03rd	Parents Evening
04th	Last day of Spring term
22nd	Start of Summer term

Join us at the SEND Roadshow in Chelmsford!
Date: Tuesday, 25th March 2025
Time: Drop in anytime

- 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM (all ages)
- 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM (0-5 year olds)
  Quieter times: Prefer a quieter visit? Pop in after 11:30 AM or in the afternoon.
  Location: Hamptons Sports and Leisure, Tydemans, Beehive Lane, Great Baddow, Chelmsford CM2 9FH
  Cost: FREE

What to Expect:
Have questions about your child's needs and the best support available? The SEND Roadshow brings together a variety of professionals under one roof, including local support groups, education professionals, health teams, and social care teams.
You can:

- access support and information
- understand the different services available
- discover local support, such as parent groups and inclusive activities
- attend free talks

Special Afternoon Session for Ages 0-5: The afternoon is tailored for younger children, with interactive story times and activities run by Essex Libraries.
Free Workshops: Join our free workshops to learn more:

- **10:30 AM:** Managing Big Emotions – Support for parents whose children can become overwhelmed and dysregulated (by Adult Community Learning)
- **10:30 AM:** ADHD (by ADHD+ support)
- **2:00 PM:** Children's language and communication through playful learning at home (ages 0-5) (by Talk, Listen and Cuddle)
- **2:00 PM:** Sensory development in a child's early years (ages 0-5) (by Occupational Therapists)

For more information on the event - including who will be there- take a look at: Local Offer Roadshow, Mid Essex | Essex Local Offer

YEAR 6 LAYER MARNEY TRIP

On Wednesday, our Year 6 pupils went to Layer Marney Towers for the day as part of their history topic. They had a great time learning about what life was like during both Norman and Tudor times, including finding out about weapons and armour, archaeology and how historians find out about the past. As well as this, they participated in a Tudor Court drama activity where they learnt about actual Tudor crimes that occurred locally in 1589 and the resulting punishments. Furthermore, they got to climb to the top of the tower, visit the Church within the grounds and have a go at archery.

RECEPTION CLASS VISIT FROM THE EMERGENCY SERVICES

In Reception, Nursery and Meerkats, to help our learning about 'People Who Help Us', we have had an exciting visit from PC Hammond (Olly's dad) and a team of four other police officers and two vehicles. We all had a turn to explore the van and the patrol car and then could investigate real equipment and uniforms in class. We could ask questions to learn even more.

Wow! What lucky children we are!

We have had THE BEST morning with The Police who came into our class this morning and explained all about their jobs and what they do to help our community!
We were able to go into a police van, look at all the important equipment and we were able to "drive the police van" Thank you so much to the police for this incredible opportunity!

Last Friday, when we were learning about firefighters as part of our topic 'People Who Help Us', Mr Easter (Elsie's dad), and his Colleague Mr Clark came to visit us in school. They brought one of the engines from Halstead Station and gave everyone (all 87 reception, nursery and meerkat children) a fabulous experience- including trying on uniform, asking questions about equipment and even sitting in the cab of the tender. We can't thank them enough, especially as both Officers gave up their own days off duty to enhance the children's learning.

COMIC RELIEF CELEBRATIONS

The children enjoyed wearing red, for Red Nose Day this year. We will let you know next week how much we raised; this will help go to good causes to prevent children from living in poverty. Thank you all for your donations this year!

UK Health Security Agency

NHS

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

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Advice and guidance

To find out more, **search for health protection in schools** or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.

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