The Buzz

Keeping you up to date with our weekly news bulletin

Earls Colne PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

JAKKI SIBLEY HEADTEACHER **13TH OCTOBER 2023**

THIS WEEK WE HAVE……

Celebrated Mental Health Awareness Day. We talked about what this means and how we can keep our minds healthy.

We made a gratitude jar with the children who added things that they were grateful for. We also thought about how we feel. The children wore yellow ribbons and shared techniques to help them feel calm.

HEADLICE

We have had several reported cases of headlice across the school. Please check your child's hair regularly for head lice and treat as needed. Guidance for treatment can be found at https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

REMINDER - SCHOOL APPLICATIONS FOR SECONDARY AND RECEPTION CLASSES SEPTEMBER 2024

Please apply online for your child's secondary school place starting September 2024.
Online applications can be made up to and including the closing date of **31 October 2023**.

Any applications received after 31 October 2023 will be treated as late and will only be processed after all on-time applications.
You are less likely to get a place at one of your preferred schools if you apply late.

From **6 November 2023** you can apply online for your child's primary (reception) or junior (year 3) school place.

Applications received after the 15 January 2024 will be considered late and will reduce your chance of being offered a place at your preferred schools.

3PR Weekly Totaliser Champions!

This week's winners are **6AK** Class!

Key dates – 2023-24	
October 2023	
16th	Height, Weight & Vision Checks for Reception Pupils
17th	Year 5 trip to West Stow
18th	Friends Halloween Party – Reception and Years 1 & 2
19th	Year 4 trip to Colchester Zoo Friends Halloween Party – Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
23rd – 27th	Half Term break
31st	***NEW DATE***– School Photographs
November 2023	
4th	Friends Fireworks!
16th	Year 3 trip to Colchester Castle
17th	Children in Need
20th	Flu Immunisations – Whole School
23rd	Year 1 trip to Hollytrees Museum

Well done for working so hard!

Grace Evans, Phoebe Edwards, Leo Ardley, Keegan Tredgett, Harry Smith, and Ella Cullen – These children have produced some amazing writing this week. I was SO impressed with their progress! Well done everyone!

Quinn Pitt – Excellent independent work in maths.

Attendance champions

Congratulations to **Monkeys class** whose attendance was a fantastic 99**%** for this week!

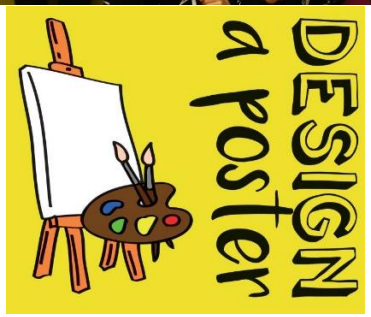
(Every class was over 92% AGAIN this week – keep up the excellent attendance!)

DOJO REMINDER

Please could we ask that you do not send message during the school day to teaching staff regarding early collections/ medical appointments via Class Dojo. Teachers are teaching and will not necessarily see Dojo messages during the day – please send all messages regarding collections/ appointments via the school office in the first instance.

Agents of CHANGE

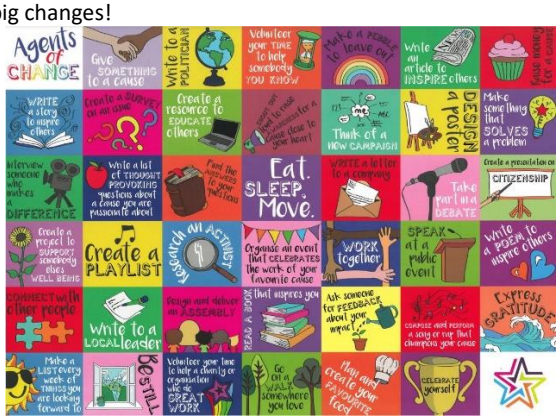
We have been out and about in school this week stamping passports for the children who have already completed their projects- remember to upload a picture onto their Dojo portfolio and we will give them their stamps. When they have seven they will be able to choose one of our badges when we hold an Agents of Change assembly.



Our Reception children were inspired during Word Guerrilla's visit and went home and made posters.

Many of children have been out and about making the most of the good weather.
In the week where we celebrated World Mental Health Day it is a great reminder that we need to do something we enjoy and mot feel guilty about focusing on ourselves.

When we set the Research an Activist challenge we thought we might receive projects on Greta Thunberg or Martin Luther King. But this week two of our children told us all about their Dad! He has worked with Surfers Against Sewage and helped secure over £100million to keep our seas and oceans clean- a perfect example of how we can all make big changes!



As the nights draw in please encourage your children to think about what projects they can complete.

- **Create a playlist** to cheer them up
- **Give something to a cause** by donating things they don't use to charity (also a great way to get them to tidy their room)
- **Be still** by practicing relaxation and
- **Express gratitude** by writing a thank you card or letter to someone who has helped them

LUMINOUS HALLOWEEN

TUESDAY 31ST OCTOBER

5 - 7PM

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HALLOWEEN CRAFTS,
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FRIDAY 27th October
Earls Colne Primary School
10AM-3PM
5-11yrs
£30
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Facebook: Woodland Annemal

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PTA OF EARLS COLNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FIREWORKS AND FOOD FEST

Earls Colne Primary School and Nursery
4th November 2023.
Gates open at 4:30pm
Fireworks from 6:30pm and 7pm
BUY TICKETS: www.pta-events.co.uk /friendsofecps
Adult and child tickets also available on the gate!

Do you fancy giving trampolining a try?

DIMENSIONS TRAMPOLINE CLUB

Book a half-term taster session!
Friday 27th October, 1-2pm

Book online:
www.dimensionstrampolineclub.org.uk/tastersessions

Ages 3+. Limited spaces.
£7.75 / £7.25 for ECRC members

Earls Colne Recreation Club, Halstead Road, Earls Colne CO6 2NG
Contact Becky: eventsadmin@dimensionstrampolineclub.org.uk

You're invited to

FRIENDS HALLOWEEN PARTY

FANCY DRESS COMPETITION, DISCO AND LOTS OF FUN!

18th October

Earls Colne Village Hall

Reception- 4.15-5.15pm

Year 1&2 5.45-7pm

Book tickets: www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofecps

SEND Local Offer ROADSHOW

Are you a parent/carer or family member of a child with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)?

Do you have questions about accessing support in your area or questions about SEND support available in Essex?

Would you like to link up with other parents in your area?

If you do, please come along to the SEND Roadshow.

The roadshow is a drop-in event with no need to book. There are four locations to choose from across Essex:

Tuesday 17 October, 9am to 12.30pm – **North East Essex**
Waterfront Harwich, Lower Marine Parade, Dovercourt, Harwich, CO12 3SS

SUE ANDERTON AND AMANDA ROWE FROM MAZE WILL BE ATTENDING THE NORTH EAST ESSEX ROADSHOW. COME ALONG AND SAY HELLO!

Wednesday 18 October, 9am to 12.30pm – **Mid Essex**
Witham Town Hall, Collingwood Road, Witham, CM8 2DY

Wednesday 1 November, 9am to 12.30pm – **West Essex**
Budworth Hall, 205 High Street, Chipping Ongar, Ongar, CM5 9JG

Thursday 2 November, 9am to 12.30pm – **South Essex**
Ingatestone Community Centre, 7 High Street, Ingatestone, CM4 9ED

For more information please follow THIS LINK

The Essex Fire Museum at Grays

Essex Fire Museum Halloween Open Days

Tuesday 24th October 2023
Sunday 29th October 2023
(10.30am to 4.00pm)

Visits must be pre-booked via:
museum@essex-fire.gov.uk

Address: Essex Fire Museum, Grays Fire station, Hogg Lane, Grays, RM17 5QS

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Year 5&6pm 5.45-7pm

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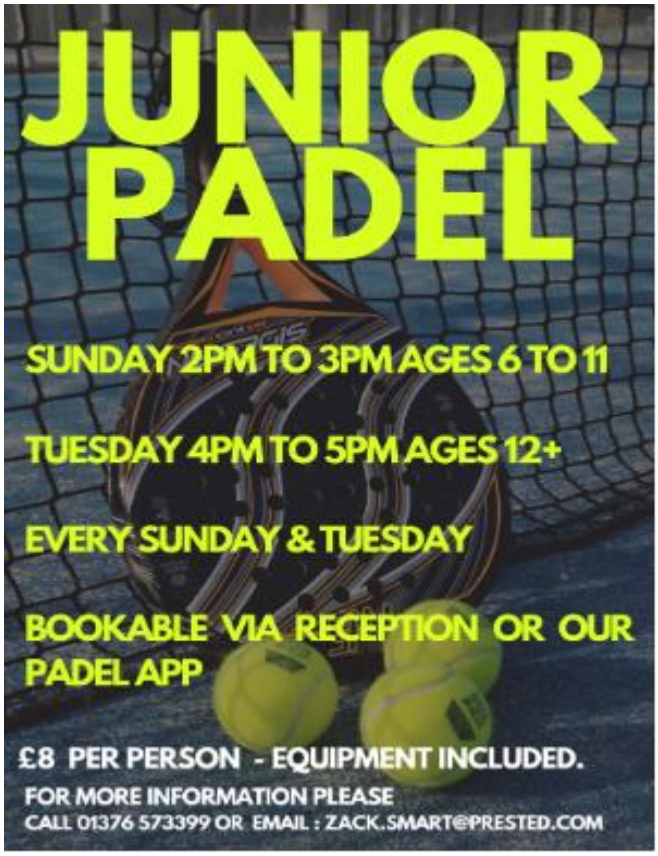
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SUNDAY 2PM TO 3PM AGES 6 TO 11
TUESDAY 4PM TO 5PM AGES 12+
EVERY SUNDAY & TUESDAY
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Children's
DENTAL CARE
WE ARE NOW SEEING NEW AND EXISTING CHILDREN ON THE NHS, PLEASE CALL TODAY TO MAKE YOUR CHILD AN APPOINTMENT 01787 222828
YOU SHOULD TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE DENTIST WHEN THEIR FIRST MILK TEETH APPEAR. THIS IS SO THEY BECOME FAMILIAR WITH THE ENVIRONMENT AND GET TO KNOW THE DENTIST. THE DENTIST CAN ADVISE YOU ON HOW TO PREVENT DECAY AND IDENTIFY ANY ORAL HEALTH PROBLEMS AT AN EARLY STAGE. JUST OPENING UP THE CHILD'S MOUTH FOR THE DENTIST TO TAKE A LOOK AT IS USEFUL PRACTICE FOR THE FUTURE.

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CHILDRENS DENTAL HEALTH IS IMPORTANT
We have NHS availability for children at the Essex Dental Clinic, Call today to book your appointment
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