The Buzz

Keeping you up to date with our weekly news bulletin

Earls Colne PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

JAKKI SIBLEY HEADTEACHER **28TH MARCH 2024**

THIS WEEK…….

YEAR 6 VISIT TO LAYER MARNEY

On Thursday of last week, our Year 6 pupils visited Layer Marney towers as part of their Spring term topic 'Crazy Kings and Quirky Queens.' They had a great time and enjoyed all of the activities on offer! They participated in a Tudor Court, learning about some of the Tudor punishments handed out to real-life local people; tried on different pieces of Norman armour and learned to shoot an arrow like a Norman; learnt all about archaeology and had a go at being archaeologists; and climbed to the top of the tower whilst learning all about the Tudor owner. As well as this, they learned why Layer Marney Towers is called Layer Marney Towers... 'Layer' after the word for water and Marney because this was the surname of the man who owned the tower. Furthermore, did you know that Layer Marney Towers is only a quarter of the size it was supposed to be? It was never finished as Henry Marney died in 1523!

THANK YOU MILBANK!

We are really fortunate to be supported by our local businesses and Milbank have again supported us this year with kind donations to school. They have kindly gifted us computers which means that we aren't spending money on refreshing our worn out equipment, which in tough budget years, is a huge help! They also wanted to spread some Easter cheer and every child has been gifted an Easter surprise! We are so grateful for the much needed ongoing support, we recognise how lucky we are to have a community supporting us!

Attendance champions

Congratulations to **6AK** class, whose attendance was an amazing, fantastic, truly awesome **100%** for this week!!

Key dates – 2023-24	
March 2024	
29th March – 01st April	Bank Holiday Weekend
April 2024	
2nd – 12th	Easter Holidays
May 2024	
6th	Bank Holiday
13th – 17th	Year 6 SATs Week
21st	Year 1 Trip to Boydells Farm
21st – 22nd	Bikeability Group 1
27th	Bank Holiday
28th – 31st	Half Term
June 2024	
3rd - 4th	Bikeability Group 2
10th – 11th	Bikeability Group 3
26th	Class and Leavers photos
27th – 28th	Secondary School Transition Days
July 2024	
2nd – 3rd	Bikeability Group 4
19th	Leavers Assembly 10:30am Big Picnic!

NEW MENU!

Just a reminder that the new school lunch menu for next term is now available on School Grid. Please make sure you place your lunch orders by the 10th April for when we return after the Easter break.

PARK PLAY, HALSTEAD

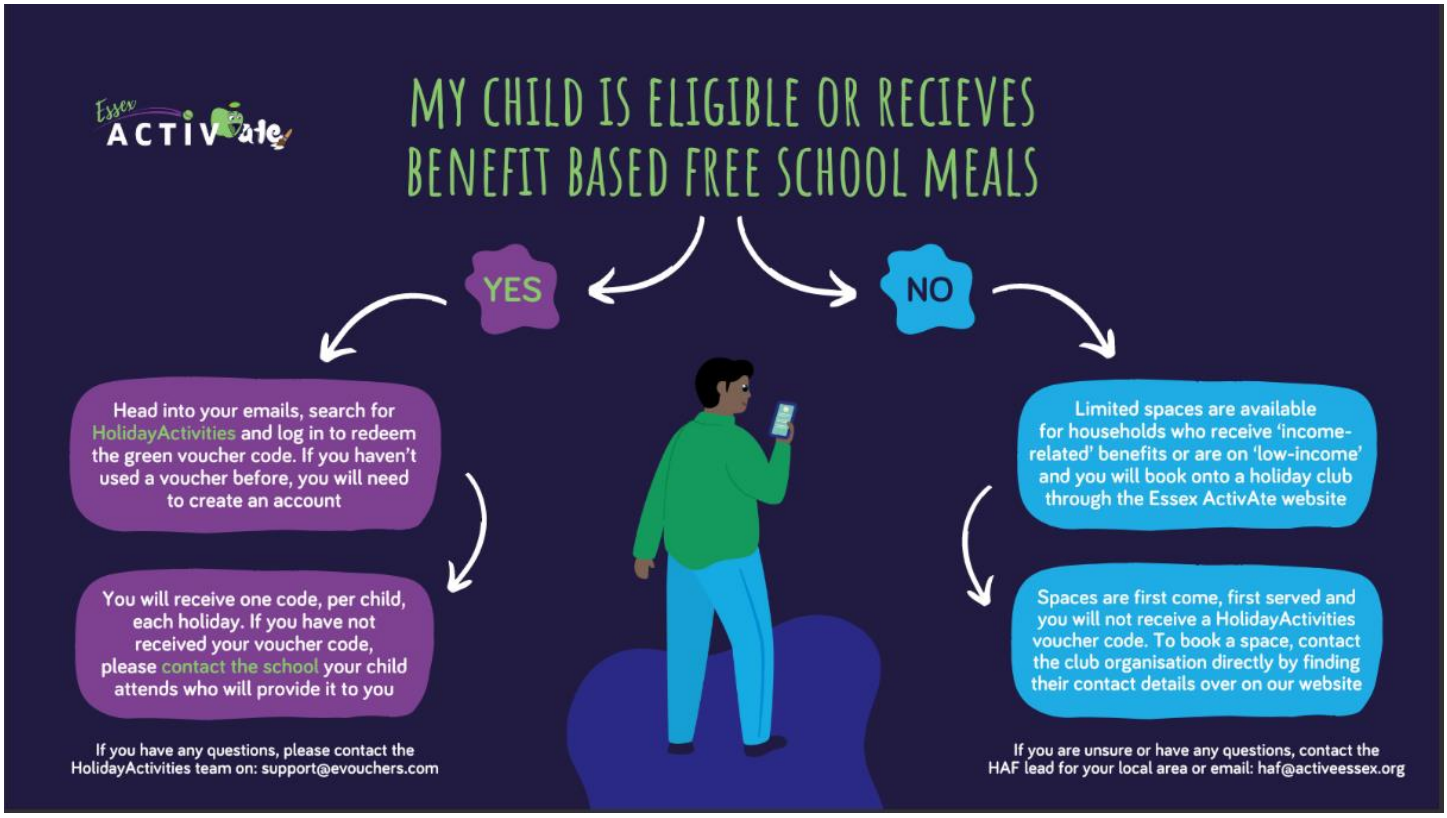
ParkPlay brings people from local communities together in parks and green spaces across the country for FREE with iinformal games and activities, every Saturday morning. It offers people of all ages and abilities the chance to play together and connect in a relaxed, safe and welcoming setting. ParkPlay is run by the local community for the local community with literally everyone invited!
ParkPlay has recently launched at King George Playing Fields, Kings Rd, Halstead CO9 1HA. So, if you are looking for a free activity for the whole family on a Saturday morning, just register your place at Park-Play – Halstead

Well done for working so hard!

Willow Percival – For completing EXTRA homework and going that extra mile to gain more knowledge. Amazing work ethic Willow!

Aaliyah Mannering – For working fantastically hard and trying her best to be her best!

Inspiring all children to create and achieve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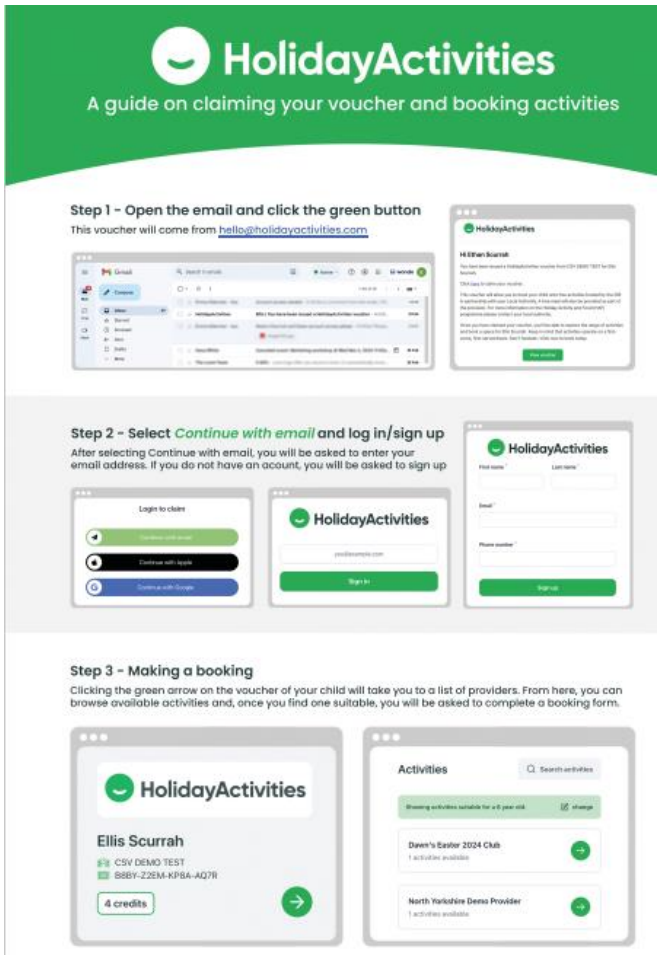
MY CHILD IS ELIGIBLE OR RECIEVES BENEFIT BASED FREE SCHOOL MEALS
YES
NO
Head into your emails, search for HolidayActivities and log in to redeem the green voucher code. If you haven't used a voucher before, you will need to create an account
You will receive one code, per child, each holiday. If you have not received your voucher code, please contact the school your child attends who will provide it to you
If you have any questions, please contact the HolidayActivities team on: support@evouchers.com
Limited spaces are available for households who receive 'income-related' benefits or are on 'low-income' and you will book onto a holiday club through the Essex ActivAte website
Spaces are first come, first served and you will not receive a HolidayActivities voucher code. To book a space, contact the club organisation directly by finding their contact details over on our website
If you are unsure or have any questions, contact the HAF lead for your local area or email: haf@activeessex.org


HolidayActivities
A guide on claiming your voucher and booking activities
Step 1 - Open the email and click the green button
This voucher will come from hello@holidayactivities.com
Step 2 - Select Continue with email and log in/sign up
After selecting Continue with email, you will be asked to enter your email address. If you do not have an acount, you will be asked to sign up
Step 3 - Making a booking
Clicking the green arrow on the voucher of your child will take you to a list of providers. From here, you can browse available activities and, once you find one suitable, you will be asked to complete a booking form.
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Activities

Easter Holidays
Trampoline Taster Session
at Earls Colne Rec Club
Friday 12th April, 1-2pm
£8.75 / £8.25 for ECRC members
Visit our website to book:
www.dimensionstrampolineclub.org.uk/tastersessions
Ages 3+. Limited spaces.
Contact Becky:
eventsadmin@dimensionstrampolineclub.org.uk