The Buzz
Keeping you up to date with our weekly news bulletin
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HOLIDAY REQUESTS IN TERM TIME

We would like to remind parents that, the current law does not give any entitlement to parents to take their child out of school during term time.

The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 prohibits Headteachers granting leave of absence to a pupil except where there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. We appreciate that the cost of holidays during term time is much lower, but we are not able to approve leave of absence for this reason.

BRAINTREE DISTRICT VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Volunteers do a huge range of roles in our communities. In schools parents, grandparents and those interested in the education of children go into the classroom to help with reading and specific lessons. Others offer their time to raise funds through the 'Friends of' and governors give their time and expertise to help the school achieve its aims and objectives.

Braintree District Council and Community 360 are working together for the 3rd year to recognise the vital role that volunteers play within our communities. To celebrate those who have made an outstanding contribution to the work of voluntary and community organisations across the district there are a series of awards acknowledging their exceptional efforts. The categories are Inspirational Role Model, Going the Extra Mile, Long Service and Group To nominate your unsung hero go to www.braintree.gov.uk/volunteerawards or contact Braintree District Council Community Services for a form on 01376 552525.

Attendance champions

Congratulations to **Lions**, class whose attendance was **99.31%** for the week commencing 1st – 5th April 2019.

Well done for working so hard!

Nathan Gilbert, Lilly Foreman – for coming up with a really good method for counting very high numbers!

DANCE CLUB

Dance Club will re-start on Friday 3rd May 2019.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Information of After School Clubs will be available shortly.

HEADLICE

We would ask that you check your child's hair regularly to avoid the spread of these irritating visitors. Remember that head lice prefer clean hair, so please check and comb regularly. Long hair should be tied back. If you do find any insects or eggs, speak to your local pharmacist who will be able to recommend a suitable treatment.

Key dates – 2018-19	
May	
6th	Bank Holiday
7th	Y6 extended visit meeting – 7:00pm
13th – 16th	SATs
20th	School photographs
27th – 31st	Half-term
June	
3rd	Non pupil day
5th – 7th	Y6 extended visit to Mersea Outdoors
21st	Summer Fete
25th	New Reception intake meeting – 7.00pm
28th	Reception/KS1 Sports Day
July	
3rd	Reception 2019 intake day 1
11th	Y5/6 production – 7:00pm
12th	Y5/6 production – 1:30pm
12th	Reception 2019 intake day 2
15th	KS2 Sports Day
23rd	School discos
24th	Y6 Leavers assembly
	Big picnic

EARRINGS

Essex County Council's policy with regards to wearing earrings during PE states earrings **MUST** be removed for all PE lessons. If your child cannot remove them themselves, please remove them before they come into school as staff are not permitted to remove them.

SCOOTERS

If your child travels to school on a scooter or bike, please ensure that they stop at the entrance of the school playground and wheel the scooter or bike safely through the playground. Scooters and bikes are not to be used on the playground at anytime.