# The Buzz

Keeping you up to date with our weekly news bulletin

Earls Colne PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

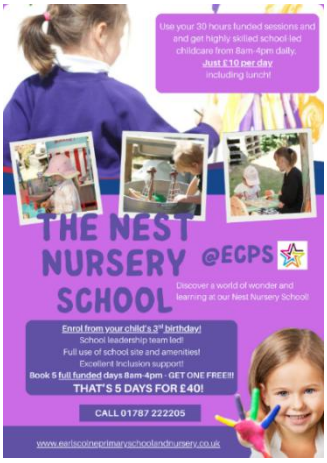
## Community Hero: Michael's Summer Fundraising Challenge

Over the summer holidays, one of our inspiring pupils, Michael, took on an incredible challenge to raise money for St Helena Hospice. Motivated by the memory of a fellow pupil's parent who sadly passed away, Michael set out to walk 70 miles over the six-week break — and he did it!

His determination and compassion have touched many hearts, and his efforts have already raised over £1,000 for the hospice, helping support families in need during difficult times.

Michael's story didn't go unnoticed. The Colchester United Foundation has invited him to be their Community Champion at their match on 20th September, recognising his outstanding contribution and kindness.

We are so proud of Michael and the example he sets for our school community. Well done, Michael — you truly are a champion!




## Follow The Nest Nursery on Instagram!

We're excited to share that The Nest Nursery is now up and running on Instagram!

Follow @ecps_the_nest for updates, photos, and a peek into the wonderful activities happening every day. It's a great way to stay connected and celebrate our youngest learners!

| Key dates – 2025-26 | |
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| **Oct 2025** | |
| **02nd** | Y2 Hedingham Castle |
| **08th** | Flu Immunisations |
| **14th** | Y5 Trip West Stow |
| **16th** | Y4 Colchester Zoo |
| **21st** | Parents Evening |
| **22nd** | School Photographs |
| **23rd** | Parents Evening |
| **24th** | Non pupil day |
| **27th** | Half-term |
| **Nov 2025** | |
| **03rd** | Non-pupil day |
| **04th** | Return to school |

## WELL DONE FOR WORKING SO HARD!

Albie Taylor –

Exceptional math's work this week. Well done!

## Health Care plans

Please ensure these are all completely up to date, this is important for your child's safety within school and for the kitchen staff to deliver the meals your child's school grid account must be updated!

## Year 6 to 7 secondary admission round for September 2026

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened on Friday, 12 September 2026, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2026.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2025.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

## Attendance champions

Congratulations to **Elephants** whose attendance was a fantastic **100%** for the week beginning 08th September 2025.