



## Head Talk

Thank you to all of the parents who have spoken to me about Glen Williams over the last week or so. Your kind words and cards have been a great comfort.

The children have worked hard since coming back to school and there has been some super work going on. The WWII tea party was lovely on Tuesday and the 'feel' in the room really lifted spirits.

The infant Sports Afternoon is taking place on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June at the Garrison Track. I do hope to see you all there.

## Playing on school equipment before and after school

I would like to remind parents that children are not allowed to climb or play on the school equipment at the beginning or the end of the school day.

## Communication with the school

I would like to remind parents that if you have some concerns about your child that you should first approach the class teacher to see if your concern can be solved. If this does not work then you need to approach a senior leader, either Mrs Wright or Miss Morley. This will ensure that the school can support families and children well. I have included the communication chart in this newsletter as a reminder. Thank you.

## Celebration Evening

Thank you to everyone who came to the school on Wednesday this week to celebrate the work around the school, try some school food and get to have an informal chat with teachers and governors. As always, it was a pleasure to see everyone and I do hope you all enjoyed yourselves too.

## Poetry Workshop

We really enjoyed having the poet, Dean Parkin join us last week. He worked with classes 1 - 6 where we created class and individual poems about our local area. He ran assemblies for all children where he shared some of his poems and made us all laugh! He gave us a copy of his book to treasure and enjoy. If you enjoyed Dean's visit and want to hear more of his poems visit [deanparkin.co.uk](http://deanparkin.co.uk)

## WW2 – Memorial

Our Prefects and School Councillors were very proud to represent Hamilton at the D-day commemorative event at the War Memorial in town last Thursday to mark the 75th anniversary. The children showed our core value of respect and enjoyed talking to some of the other visitors such as the Garrison Commander. We also saw the new flower bed display of the Pegasus in Castle Park, in remembrance of those Airborne forces who wore the Pegasus Flash 75 years ago and those who continue to wear it today. Go and visit if you haven't already!

## Year 6 Enterprise Sale

The annual Enterprise Sale will take place on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Year 6 will be selling their carefully crafted creations at the end of the school day. Expect vibrant designs on products suited to all age-ranges as the children try to part you from your cash and win the enterprise challenge. Don't forget your purses/wallets! Small change and up to £5.00 will be sufficient spending money.

## Year 6 Photo

Colchester Evening Gazette will be visiting the school on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 9am to take a photo of the whole year for the Evening Gazette Leavers Special.



## Grammar School Open Evening

The Colchester Royal Grammar School will be having an 11+ Open Evening at Colchester Royal Grammar School on Tuesday 25th June (6.30pm - 9.00pm).

## Change of Bank Holiday

The Government has decided to change the first Bank Holiday in May 2020 from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May to **FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2020**.

## CSSE 11+ Examination 2020

The 11+ will take place on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2019.

The **closing date** for parents of Year 5 pupils to apply for the 11+ is **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019**.

## Bikeability Courses

Ringway Jacobs/Essex County Council are delivering some Bikeability courses over the summer.

Please see attachment for more information.

## Christchurch

Christchurch will be running a Daddy Cool parenting course for Dads in the autumn. There will be an information morning on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Christchurch will also be running a holiday club from 29<sup>th</sup> July to 1<sup>st</sup> August.

See attached information for more details.

## Fantastic fee e-comics from Essex Libraries!

You can now get free comics and graphic novels with your library card! Download and read through a browser, or on the RBdigital mobile apps.

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ages, such as Star Wars, Frozen, Spiderman, Toy Story and superheroes galore!

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## Topic Overviews

Please find attached topic overviews for this term.

## School Office Closure

Please note that the school office will be shut from 9.15 – 11.15 am on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July due to the end of year assembly. You will not be able to collect or drop of anything between those times.

## PSA Non-Uniform Day

Please note the PSA will be holding a Non-Uniform Day on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. More details to follow.



## Calendar Dates

Summer Term 2019	
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	KS1 – Sports Day at Garrison Athletics Track - Afternoon
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Year 6 – Enterprise Sale
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2019	Year 5 to visit Philip Morant School
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2019	KS2 – Sports Day at Garrison Athletics Track - Afternoon
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Visit to Philip Morant School for pupils attending Philip Morant School in September 2019
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Year 1 trip to Hyde Hall
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	PSA – Non-Uniform Day
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Foundation trip to Marsh Farm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Speech Competition Final
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	PSA – Summer Fayre
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Year 2 Play
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Year 6 Play in the afternoon
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Year 6 Play in the evening
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2019	Year 2 trip to Walton

### Email Information

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