



Head Talk

Happy New Year! I do hope you had a restful and enjoyable break over Christmas. It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school and here stories of adventure and fun from the holiday and to talk with them about their thoughts for this year.

At the end of last term, we said goodbye to Ms Maggie Alexander as she started her retirement after 20 years of teaching at Hamilton. We also said farewell to Mrs Nikki Birch as she started her maternity leave. We said hello to Mrs Siân Richardson who is covering Mrs Birch's class until her return and Mrs Sandra Price who is covering Year 6 on a Friday whilst Mrs Richardson covers Year 4!

This term we have lots of events taking place. Do have a look at the school diary to see what is coming up.

As always; I or Mrs Smith will be available on the school playground at the beginning and end of the day for you to have a chat with us about any concerns or compliments you might have.

Lost Property

We have tried reuniting various items of lost property with their owners, to no avail! The prefects have decided that they would like to run a Lost Property table after school for parents to come and look at, to try and claim lost items. The prefects have also had the idea that they would like to bag up anything which has remained unclaimed by the end of the summer term, and donate them to charity.

Please come along to the shelter in the Junior Playground after school on Friday 25th January to check for missing items!

School Uniform

I would like to remind parents that boots are not part of the school's uniform policy. Please can you ensure children have the correct footwear in school. Some children are also attending school with hair bands with adornments and bows. These are not allowed under the uniform policy.

Baby News

Congratulations to Mrs Birch and her husband on the safe arrival of a healthy baby girl born on Monday 7th January.

Foundation Trip

The date for the Foundation visit to Danbury Park has been changed to Monday 25th March 2019.

Christmas Collection

Thank you very much to everybody that contributed to the collections at the KS1 and KS2 Christmas Concerts. A grand total of £621.70 was collected and has been split between the Schools Charity Dementia UK and the Church's Charity.

Application for places in reception September 2019

The deadline for applications for reception places in September 2019 is on the 15th January 2019. Please follow this link if you have not applied already: <http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Admissions/Pages/Apply-Online.aspx>

Non-Pupil Days 2019-20

The Governors have agreed the Non-Pupil Days for the 2019/20 academic year. They are:
Tuesday 3rd September 2019
Wednesday 4th September 2019
Monday 4th November 2019
Thursday 7th May 2020
Friday 22nd May 2020



Topic Overviews

Please find attached topic overviews for your child for this term.

Pupil News

Congratulations to Amelie Taylor (6LO) who has been very busy.

Amelie competed in the Essex county Grades Gymnastics Level 6 competition and achieved a Distinction.

Amelie also competed in the Essex Sportshall Athletics trials last term and has just been selected to represent Essex in the Regional Sportshall Athletics Finals in Norwich on the 9th February.



Calendar Dates

Spring Term 2019	
Monday 28 th January 2019	Year 2 – Great Fire of London Day
Wednesday 30 th January 2019	3SW visit to Pizza Express
Tuesday 5 th February 2019	Year 5 – Assembly at 2.30pm
Wednesday 6 th February 2019	3JA visit to Pizza Express
Thursday 7 th February 2019	Individual Photos
Friday 8 th February 2019	Year 3 – Egyptian Day
Wednesday 13 th February 2019	Year 2 – Assembly at 2.30pm
Thursday 14 th February 2019	Year 3 – Assembly at 2.30pm
Monday 18 th February to Friday 22 nd February 2019	Half Term
Tuesday 26 th February 2019	Year 4 – Assembly at 2.30pm
Thursday 28 th February 2019	Year 6 – Siege of Colchester Guided Walk
Monday 4 th – Friday 8 th March 2019	Learning Conference Week - NO CLUBS
Tuesday 12 th March 2019	Year 1 – Assembly at 2.30pm
Monday 25 th March 2019	Foundation trip to Danbury Park
Thursday 4 th April 2019	Year 3 – Play at 2.00pm
Friday 5 th April 2019	Last Day of Term

Summer Term 2019	
Tuesday 23 rd April 2019	First Day of Term
Thursday 2 nd May & Friday 3 rd May 2019	Non-Pupil Days
Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May 2019	Half Term

Email Information

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