



# NEWS & VIEWS

Kindness, Honesty, Confidence, Perseverance, Safety

Headteacher: Miss V Townsend



## Headteacher's Comment:

We hope you've had a lovely week!

As we enjoy the warmer weather, please remember that all children should bring a water bottle, sun cream, and a sun hat to school each day to stay safe and comfortable in the sun.

We're excited to let you know that swimming lessons begin next week, after the Bank Holiday Monday. Please ensure your child brings a swimming costume, towel, and swimming hat. While we carry out all necessary checks for the pool daily, please note that some factors—like the weather—are out of our control and may impact pool use. Please note, Sports Day will now be Monday 7 July to avoid a clash with swimming lessons.

This week, 27 children were recognised at our Attendance Pizza Party for either improving their attendance or maintaining 100%! It was a wonderful celebration, and we look forward to welcoming even more children to the next attendance treat.

Today, we were delighted to welcome the Guide Dogs to school. It was a fantastic experience for the children to learn about the vital work these dogs do and how they support people with visual impairments. The children asked thoughtful questions and thoroughly enjoyed the visit.

Looking ahead to next week, we will be celebrating VE Day on Wednesday, 8 May. This is a meaningful day for the children to learn about the end of World War II in Europe and the importance of peace, remembrance, and community.

We are also reaching out for any crafting resources you may have at home. Our reception children would love the opportunity to explore and create using a variety of materials. If you have anything to donate, it would be greatly appreciated!

One final request: Please be mindful of our neighbours and, most importantly, our children, especially those walking home alone or ahead of parents. We all share a responsibility to ensure our families are safe, and that we remain respectful and considerate in our school community. This week, we're excited to welcome Mrs. Stander to our team. With her skills and experience, she's sure to be a valuable addition, and we look forward to the contributions she'll bring

Thank you for your continued support.



## Diary Dates

**Wednesday 7 May** – Class photographs

**Wednesday 7 May** – Swimming lessons start

**Friday 9 May** – Don Rae dance workshop

**Monday 12 May – Friday 16 May** – Year 6 SATS week

**Friday 16 May** – Reception class assembly

**Wednesday 21 May** – Year 5 class assembly

**Wednesday 21 May** – Year 4 trip to Colchester Zoo

**Please note that some dates unavoidably may change.**

**Apologies if this does happen.**



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## Weekly Attendance

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Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	93.3%	93.4%	86.9%	88%	97.31%	95.1%	94%	92.4%

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6



## Yearly Attendance

### Yearly Attendance – from 3 September

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	94.7%	94.2%	93.8%	91.5%	91.8%	95.2%	93.2%	93.5%

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Year 5	Reception	Year 1



## Stars of the week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Blake	Autumn	Xander	Sadie	Boston	Sid A	Violet



## Miss Townsend's Headteachers Award

We would like to recognise Teddy in Year 3 for working independently and showing lots of enthusiasm towards learning. Well done!



## Reminders

If your child is absent, please ensure you leave a reason as to why they are absent. If you are unsure if your child should be at school, please check the guidance from the [NHS](#).

Please make sure the children are wearing the correct uniform, the website outlines what the children should be wearing. Please remember we do not allow jewellery in school. Thank you



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## Reading at Home

Class	This table shows the number of children and percentages of children that have read this week. Number of times children have read this week						Percentage reading 4 times or more
	0	1	2	3	4	5 or more	
Reception	2 (14%)			3 (21%)	3 (21%)	6 (44%)	9 (65%)
Year 1			3 (14%)	5 (23%)	1 (4%)	13 (61%)	14 (65%)
Year 2	3 (13%)	5 (22%)	2 (8%)	3 (13%)	4 (18%)	6 (26%)	10 (44%)
Year 3	3 (15%)	1(5%)	4 (21%)	2 (11%)	1 (5%)	8 (42%)	9 (47%)
Year 4	0(0%)	2(9.5%)	1(4.8%)	1(4.8%)	6(28.6%)	11(52.4%)	17(81%)
Year 5	4 (14%)	2 (7%)	3 (10%)	3 (10%)	7 (24%)	10 (35%)	17 (59%)
Year 6				1 (5%)	5 (26%)	13 (69%)	18 (95%)



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