



Friday 4 July 2025

# NEWS & VIEWS

Kindness, Honesty, Confidence, Perseverance, Safety

Headteacher: Miss V Townsend



## Headteacher's Comment:

We would like to start with some fantastic news - Miss Bulley has had her baby! Baby Alfie was born on 30th June, and I'm sure you will all join me in sending our warmest wishes to her and her family. Welcome to the world, Alfie!

This week, Year 6 have been taking part in their Bikeability sessions. These sessions are a valuable part of helping children become confident and safe cyclists, equipping them with essential skills and road awareness that will support their independence now and in the future.

Also this week, some of our Year 5 children had the opportunity to visit St Martin's for a secondary school taster day. The children really enjoyed gaining an insight into life at secondary school a valuable experience as they begin to prepare for their own transition into Year 6. We have been so impressed with how sensible and mature our children have been during this warm weather. They stayed safe, kept hydrated, and thoroughly enjoyed cooling down under the hose at lunchtime a much-needed treat in the heat!

On Thursday, we welcomed families into school for Year 5's Family Feast. It's always a pleasure to see families sharing a meal together at school, and it gives everyone a lovely insight into what lunchtime is like for our children from the food to the friendships and routines.

This week has also been a celebration of science in school, with some exciting interactive sessions that really brought learning to life. On Wednesday, we had a fantastic time in our assembly with the Science Dude! Huge thanks to Gold Education Recruitment for making it happen the children were fully engaged and absolutely loved it.

We're looking forward to seeing many of you on Monday for Sports Day. Please remember to apply sun cream before school, bring a hat, lots of water, and grown-ups can bring some money if you'd like to purchase items from the PTA stall, they'll be doing things a bit differently this year!

Our new Reception children also had their first visit to school on their own this week, giving them a chance to explore their new setting. These visits help build familiarity and confidence, making their transition to 'big school' a more positive and exciting experience.

A quick reminder about attendance: it is really important that you let us know if your child is going to be off school. If we don't hear from you, we are required to call you to find out the reason for the absence. Regular attendance is essential for your child's learning, wellbeing, and sense of routine - and we're here to support wherever we can.

As we approach the end of term, you may have seen that shops and supermarkets are using the end of the academic year to promote the giving of token gifts to teachers to say thank you. I must stress that this has never been and never will be expected by any member of Kelvedon Hatch staff. However, if you or your child/ren would like to say thank you in this way, please ensure that you refer to Section 10 of the Trust's Gifts and Hospitality Policy, available [HERE](#), which details the monetary values that members of staff are allowed to accept from pupils and/or parents/carers.

This week we celebrated some of our children who are part of GymRocks and recently took part in a competition. A huge well done to all of them for working so hard on their routines - we are very proud of their dedication and achievement!

This week we found a chick near the swimming pool. We took it to South Essex Wildlife Hospital, where they've placed the baby robin with a surrogate family. It's now safe and doing well - huge thanks to the team for their amazing work! 🐣

Wishing all of our families a safe, sunny, and relaxing weekend. See you on Monday!



## Diary Dates

**Monday 7 July** – Sports Day

**Thursday 10 July** – Year 6 Family Feast

**Monday 14-18 July** - Year 6 Mersea Residential

**Monday 21 July** – Summer Concert

**Wednesday 23 July** – Year 6 Leavers Assembly

**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	98.6%	91.7%	95.6%	88.4%	93.3%	87.9%	88.5%	91.5%

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



## Yearly Attendance

### Yearly Attendance – from 3 September

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Attendance	95.3%	94.5%	93.6%	91.3%	92.1%	95.1%	93.3%	93.6%

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Reception	Year 5	Year 1



## Stars of the week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Josie	Zachary	Elsie	Jimmy	Joseph	Zachariah	Luna



## Miss Townsend's Headteachers Award

We would like to recognise Nellie in Year 4 for always being polite and courteous to staff, parents, and fellow pupils — a fantastic role model for our school community.

Well Done Nellie



## 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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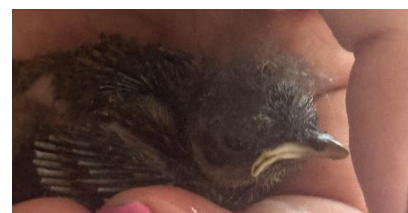


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# Reading at Home

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 (15%)	2 (15%)	2 (15%)	3 (23%)	4 (32%)	7 (55%)
Year 1	2 (9%)		3 (13%)	2 (9%)	1 (4%)	15 (65%)	16 (69%)
Year 2	1 (4%)	4 (17%)	3 (13%)	0	8 (35%)	7 (31%)	15 (66%)
Year 3	5 (20%)	5 (20%)	1 (4%)	0	6 (24%)	8 (32%)	56%
Year 4		3 (16%)	1(5%)	3(16%)	2(10%)	10(53%)	12 (63%)
Year 5	15 (52%)	2 (7%)	1 (3%)	3 (10%)	2 (7%)	6 (21%)	28%
Year 6					6 (33%)	12 (67%)	18 (100%)



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