# Newsletter 1<sup>st</sup> July

# **Dates for July**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Honywood Transition Day for Year 6
- 1<sup>st</sup> Preschool Sports Day
- 1<sup>st</sup> Reports out to parents
- 6<sup>th</sup> Green day/Artsmark Day
- 7<sup>th</sup> Open evening
- 12th Year 5 Primary learning day at Honywood
- 11<sup>th</sup> Year 6 production performance to school
- 13<sup>TH</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Year 6 production evening performances
- 15<sup>th</sup> Thank you Coffee morning for helpers
- 18<sup>th</sup> Morning spent in new classes
- 21st End of term leavers' service in the Church (followed by picnic lunch)
- 21<sup>st</sup> End of term

September 1st Staff Training Day

September 2<sup>nd</sup> Term starts

# The school day

To meet the school day minimum required hours of 32.5 hours we will be making a slight change to the start time for Reception and Year 1/2 from September.

Our times will be 8.45-3.15 for EYFS and Year 1/2 and 8.50-3.20 in KS2 (Years3-6).

### **Class teachers from September**

Our classes for September will be as follows:

Reception- Miss Smith and Mrs Angel

Year 1/2 – Miss Bolton, Mr Robertson and Miss Vianello

Year 3/4- Mr Brennen, Dr Gardner/Mrs Osborne and Mrs Brooker

Year 5/6- Mrs Armitage, Mrs Sullivan/Mrs Doody and Mrs Styles

We welcome Mrs Doody to our teaching team to job share with Mrs Sullivan.

# **Open evening**

Our Open evening will be from 6-7.30 pm on the 7<sup>th</sup> July. You are welcome to drop in at any point during this time to visit the classrooms and chat informally to the teachers. Refreshments will be available. The new classes letters will be sent out during the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> July

### **End of term picnic**

All of our parents and carers are invited to join us for the end of term picnic on the 21st July on the school field from 12.00-1.00. (Weather permitting) Please bring your own picnic and a rug to sit on. The children who are booked in for a school dinner will be provided with a lunch to eat outside.

#### **Essex Green day**

Schools and businesses across Essex have been invited to participate in the Essex Green Day on July 6<sup>th</sup>. This week we had a speaker from the Mercury Theatre in Colchester talking about their sustainable rebuild. Next week we will be thinking about our carbon footprint and ways that we can save energy in school.

# **Rounders**

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June, the Year 6 Rounders Team took part in the North-West Essex Rounders Tournament. St Peter's won both of their games on the day meaning they are North-West Essex Rounders champions!

It was a thoroughly enjoyable morning and the team played with great sportsmanship and were a credit to St Peter's. Well done!



# **Sports Day**

It was lovely to see so many spectators at our Sports day last week. We were very lucky with the weather too! Well done to all of the children. It was a great to see them supporting each other and enjoying themselves. Thank you to our Sports Captains who helped throughout the day.







# Year 5/6 Visit to Marks Hall

As part of their local study and fieldwork project looking at physical and geographical changes, the children in Year 5/6 enjoyed a day at Marks Hall last week.







# **Year 5/6 Orienteering**

This week the children in Year 5/6 had an active day of Orienteering at the Notley Discovery Centre.





# Pre-school

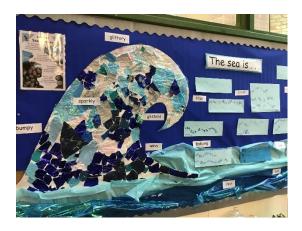
The pre-school children enjoyed their time in our lovely library this week. They have also started to harvest the strawberries grown in their garden area.





# **Mulberry class**

The topic in Mulberry class this half term is 'The Deep Blue'.



# Year 3/4

In Year 3/4 the children have been learning about Ancient Greece.





### **Library news**

From this Saturday Coggeshall Library will be closed for 2 weeks for redecoration. This is a very last minute decision and they have asked us to let parents know

# An update from the LA about the Essex Year of Reading

On Thursday 16 June 2022, we welcomed Michael Rosen, one of Britain's best loved writers and performance poets, for an online event as part of the Essex Year of Reading. Michael performed some of his most famous poems and discussed the importance of play and talk in language development in young children. For anyone who was unable to watch live, the event can now be viewed online.

I'm also pleased to share that the next Essex Year of Reading challenge will launch shortly. The Reading in Unusual Places challenge is calling for residents to share a photo of themselves, a family member or friend, reading in weird and wonderful places across the county. The challenge is open to children, young people and adults. Ideas might include reading under a tree, whilst relaxing on the beach or by an outstanding landmark, such as Colchester Castle or Frinton beach.

Children could dress-up as a monkey, whilst reading a book on animals at the Zoo or get the whole family involved and dress up as characters from their favourite book at the beach. Participants could also share a picture of themselves reading while doing their favourite hobby.

The challenge starts on Monday 4 July 2022 and will end on **Friday 2 September 2022**. To enter, simply share your picture to Twitter or Instagram using the hashtag #ReadingInUnusualPlaces, or tag @EssexCountyCouncil on Facebook.