



Newsletter – 13th February 2026



CELEBRATING GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Overall whole school attendance this week: 94.28%

Well done to class 2E for achieving the highest attendance this week.



We will be celebrating all things reading related during our annual Mersea Book Week w/b 2nd March. The children will be invited to come to school as one of their favourite book characters on Thursday 5th March to commemorate World Book Day. We thought you would like to know so you can start thinking about a costume. You do not have to spend any money - home made costumes are usually the best!

The Book Fair will be in school from Friday 6th until Thursday 12th March - in the library at 3:15pm. Last year we raised over £570 in commission which we were able to spend on new books for the classrooms and our library so thank you to all those who supported the fair. Payments for books at the Book Fair can be made online using a QR code – please note, we are unable to take cash.



Well done to all the children, pictured above, who represented our school on Monday morning at the Year 3 and 4 football tournament. We played four matches, winning two and losing two. Our school was commended for fantastic sportsmanship! Well done to all of the children for trying their hardest! Mr Elmer was very proud watching you and you represented our school brilliantly. Many thanks to the parents and guardians for cheering the team on as well!

Please be aware

We have had a few reported cases of chickenpox in the school. Chicken pox is a mild and common childhood illness. Chickenpox has a sudden onset with fever, runny nose, cough and a generalised rash. A person is contagious from 1-2 days before any spots appear, until the spots have crusted over, this is usually 5/6 days after the first spots appeared. To avoid spread of the illness please keep your child at home if you notice any symptoms. Please remember to contact the office to inform us of any illness or if you have any questions.



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Nursery Places for September

If you are looking for a Nursery space for 2 - 4 year olds please contact the school office for more information as we are currently allocating spaces.

Pine cones – Help

If anyone has any pine cones that they would be happy to donate to school then our Eco Warriors would very much appreciate them

Owen's super volcano (Reception)



Martin's marvellous dinosaur (Nursery)



Florence's wonderful cave painting (3D)



Year Two – Great Fire of London

Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed their Great Fire of London morning, making their model houses and watching history come alive, seeing how quickly the fire spread. Thank you to all parents who were able to attend.

Leo R- 'I liked watching all the houses burn down'

Aysa-Blu- 'I liked seeing all the smoke come from the houses'

Junie- 'I enjoyed watching the bubbling fire spread'





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★ Stars of the week ★

Nursery	Nursery are celebrating Martin this week for his excellent listening skills on the carpet, particularly enjoying our songs and stories. Martin has also made several fantastic 'shape dinosaurs' - sharing the shape colours and names. Well done Martin.
Rec 1	Owen S has been so interested in finding out all about the different countries this week. At home he made a volcano and brought it in for the rest of the class to see it erupt. He was even more excited when we found out that there were volcanoes in New Zealand.
Rec 2	We are celebrating Eden P for her creativity. Eden designed her own kite this week and modified it when it wasn't "quite right!" She tested her kite outside and inspired other children to create a kite too. Well done Eden you have inspired us all this week :O)
1M	Heston P for his excellent predictions in science and working well in a group carrying out a floating and sinking experiment. Keep up the hard work!
1E	1E are celebrating Archie B for a fantastic piece of unaided writing this week. Archie confidently included the word 'and' in his sentences and blew our socks off! Keep it up Archie!
2E	Toby F for the brilliant language he used in his diary of the Great Fire of London this week. He has worked so hard to improve both his handwriting and sentence structure and all the hard work has really shown in this piece of writing. Brilliant work Toby. keep it up.
2B	2B Star of the Week is Lois for her excellent effort in our Great Fire of London open morning. Lois performed beautifully when singing our 1666 song and shared her super non-chronological report and art work. Well done Lois.
3D	Mrs Deacon would like to celebrate Florence LC for producing some amazing artwork this week. We have been looking at cave paintings and creating our own using pastels and charcoal. Florence produced a wonderful charcoal drawing of a bison, following the step by step instructions accurately and taking lots of care.
3T	Holly M produced an excellent piece of work in our computing lesson where she independently coded an instrument to play individual notes. She then applied her fantastic musical knowledge to play a song. Very impressive work Holly!
4W	Alfie H for his attitude in PE lessons - Alfie has shown huge improvement in his hockey skills and techniques over the last 6 weeks, and he has also shown great kindness to another child in squash when he made sure his opponent scored instead of taking all the points himself. What great sportsmanship!
4R	Our pupil of the week this week is Matilda. She is always striving to produce her neatest and best work. This week, she used her creativity to produce a delightfully different poem to those produced in class. It was a brave choice and she stood by her decision with real resolve.
5E	In 5E we would love to celebrate Boo S for working scientifically in Science to identify faults in our recent learning on Electricity. Boo built a great circuit and was able to check carefully which components were and were not working well. Well done Boo!
5/6W	Mrs Wyatt would like to celebrate Maddison-Rose C for her fantastic progress in reading comprehension, grammar, and writing. Maddison-Rose has also shown tremendous kindness towards both her peers and staff alike. Well done, Maddie — we are all incredibly proud of you!
6H	Mr Hall would like to celebrate Olivia L this week for a number of reasons! Not only did she do brilliantly in last week's indoor athletics event, but she has been trying equally hard in lessons to make sure she does her best work. She has produced lovely art, writing and history work this week. Well done!
6Y	Hayden A for a superb week: super attention to detail in our Wonder prints, thoughtfulness in our PSHE work and great work in English Playscript writing. Well done.

Enjoy the half term break everyone – see you on Monday 23rd February!