



Newsletter – Friday 22nd November 2024



CELEBRATING GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Overall whole school attendance this week:	95.25%
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Well done to class Reception 2 for achieving the highest attendance this week.	
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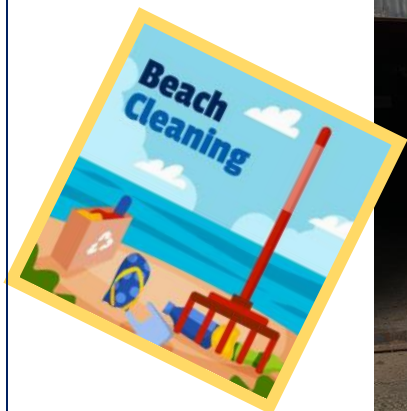
Celebrating excellent attitudes to learning

We started this week celebrating some superb homework efforts from our Year 5 pupils. The enthusiasm and excitement for learning was wonderful to see, hear and share. Very well done to Hector, Woody, Aaron, Eliza and Polly for your superb efforts.



MIW Litter Pick

A thank you to Mersea Island Watersports and a well done to the children that attended on Saturday. Those who took part managed to collect lots of rubbish as well as a giant crab shell! The pictures below are captures from just some of the people who joined in.





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Christmas Artwork - DEADLINE FOR ORDERS

The order deadline for the christmas artwork orders is 12 noon, 25th November 2024.
Parents/guardians order xmas cards/other items online with the code from the Parent order card.

Measles information from Essex County Council and the UK Health Security Agency

We have been asked to notify you of information regarding measles – please see attached letter.



With the cold weather starting to set in, please can you ensure your child has a warm coat, hat and gloves for play and lunchtimes.

Reception intake tour for Sept 2025

If you, or anyone you know is looking for a school place for Reception 2025, there is a school tour diarised for next Thursday 28th November at 9.00am. Please phone the school office and let them know if you are intending to join the tour.

This is a great opportunity to see the school in action and to ask any questions you may have.

Thank you!

We are very pleased to announce that we managed to raise just under £250 for Children in Need.

We have also managed to secure the purchase of three toilet kits, as a result of our Toilet Twinning fundraising efforts.

Well done everyone.

Christmas Shows and activities

Please do make sure you have checked the calendar for important dates so you do not miss anything.



The School Council will be holding their toy sale next Tuesday from 3.15pm, near the uniform hut.
If your child is a member of the School Council and you are able to help them, please let Miss Poole know via office@merseaschool.org

Sparkle Day is on Monday 2nd December

Children are invited to wear their sparkliest clothes or sparkle up their uniform.

FOMISA invite you to send in donations of raffle prizes for the Christmas Fair. Any sweets, bottles or offers of a voucher from businesses, will be gratefully received.

Please see the attached FOMISA newsletter for more information about the Christmas Fair on
Friday 6th December.





Stars of the Week

Nursery	Bronco is our Nursery superstar this week. He has been joining in with the piggy fun, listening to our 3 Little Pigs story and joining in singing and dancing. Bronco has loved our pig finger puppets too!
Rec 1	Bobby W has been working so hard on his name writing and over the last week he has cracked it and can now independently write his name. Well done Bobby, all that hard work has paid off.
Rec 2	We are celebrating Tabby J who has shown that she can be an excellent role model to others and can follow our school rules beautifully. We are very proud of you Tabby.
1M	Millie P for her hard work and enthusiasm, always sharing lots of great ideas on the carpet. Millie has practised lots for our nativity, remembering all of the actions and being a great role model to her year 1 peers. Well done Millie!
1P	1P would like to celebrate Douglas T for being a superstar this week! He has had a brilliant attitude towards his learning and has tried really hard to give everything a go on his own. Well done Douglas, we are really proud of you!
2E	Skyla A for all her effort and hard work in class. She has really improved her listening and focus since starting year 2 and this has been reflected in her attention, participation and brilliant work all week.
2S	Violet C for her positive attitude towards all her work this week. She has worked very hard in all subjects and joined in all of our class discussions using her prior knowledge to move her learning forward. Well done Violet.
3D	Elodie H for a brilliant set of instructions written this week. She carefully considered each step and wrote detailed and precise instructions. She included all of the features needed including some well thought out time openers, imperative verbs and adverbs. Any new child would know exactly what to do at lunch time if they followed these instructions. Great work Elodie!
3E	Ronnie has been trying so hard and showing such enthusiasm for his work this week, especially with his spelling words; he has been determined to beat his score! He has also been showing his super speedy calculation skills in our maths lessons. Well done Ronnie, keep it up!
4B	Joseph J for completing super work this week on data handling and being able to construct bar and time graphs.
4W	Theo F-T for being really helpful and kind towards his peers, when completing classwork.
5F	Arron Y for being focused and applying himself in all his lessons. He is always ready to learn.
5T	Joseph B for showing real perseverance in maths and increasingly the volume of writing produced. Superb efforts Joseph.
5W	Dexter F for his fantastic work in English; his grammar has improved immensely and it was a pleasure to see how well he did in his test - very well done Dexter!
6H	Oliwia for her incredibly powerful World War 1 descriptive writing. The opening paragraph was full of emotion and really captured the essence of what life was like in the trenches during WW1. Here is one of my favourite lines: <i>"The air was thick and the tension was high as the cold wind embraced my skin."</i> Well done, Oliwia.
6Y	Angus C for his World War 1 descriptive writing, which was very impressive! He clearly put a lot of thought into it, and his use of vivid language really brought the scene to life. The way he incorporated all the senses helped create a powerful and immersive experience for the reader. Excellent work!

