

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Another busy week has flashed past with some sunshine seen too, perfectly timed for Year 5's visit to West Stow!

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, Norsey View Drive will be closed from 9.00am - 3.00pm for micro surfacing preparation works. Hopefully, everything will be completed during this window of time but please note that vehicular access to the school will be for emergencies only. Thank you.

### Parking in the Bus Stop Outside Buttsbury Infant School

Please can I politely remind you that, between 7am and 7pm, the only vehicles permitted to stop in this layby are buses. Please can you make sure relatives/friends who are collecting are also aware.

On a similar note, the visitors' bays at the front of Buttsbury Junior School should not be used for picking up/dropping off children at the start and end of the school day. Thank you.

### Mrs Mellor - Exciting News

I am very pleased to share with you the wonderful news that Mrs Mellor is expecting her second baby in June. During Mrs Mellor's maternity leave, Mrs Wenham will teach 4LM on Thursdays and Fridays; Mrs Lee will continue to teach 4LM on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. I am sure you join me in congratulating Mr and Mrs Mellor at this exciting time for their family.

### Earrings

Just a reminder that earrings should be small studs only; hoops - no matter how small - are not permitted. Thank you.



### Year 3 Open Door

It was lovely that so many of you were able to join us on Wednesday afternoon. I hope you had fun and enjoyed helping your child with their Art sketching activities.

### Next Week's Diary Dates

**School Dinners - Week 1**

Year 6 Mock SATs Week 2

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March

- Year 5 Open Door Event - 2.15pm - 3.00pm

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

- Year 3 visit to Norsey Woods (am) - please wear suitable clothing and wellies/old trainers and bring school uniform to change into on return

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

- Comic Relief Day - wear something red with non-uniform (or all red) for a suggested donation of £1 (via ParentPay or in cash on the day)
- Final payment for Year 6 visit to the Isle of Wight is due today please (£86)

### Film Night

Thank you very much to everyone who helped at the Film Night on Friday. It was a very successful event which was enjoyed by the children and adults alike! We raised £786.41 which is another fabulous amount of money.



### Year 5 'Open Door' Afternoon

If you have a child in Year 5, you are very warmly invited to join them in their classroom on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 2.15pm - 3.00pm. You will have a chance to experience life inside a Year 5 classroom and get a flavour of some of their recent activities - you may even have the opportunity to join in! Please could we ask that you don't bring pre-school children/babies along as the classrooms will be very full and just one family member per child too please - for the same reason. Please could you come in via the front door and sign in upstairs. 5R - please come in via the gate at the front of the school and walk round to the demountable on the playground please. Thank you and we hope you can join us!

### School Uniform - Footwear

Please can I remind you that children should be wearing black shoes to school. Unfortunately we seem to have an ever-increasing number of children wearing either boots or trainers which does have an impact on the 'smart' school which we usually see. If your child has a medical reason for needing to wear trainers, please can you send a copy into the School Office if you haven't done so already.

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### Parents to Lunch

On Wednesday, we were joined by the parents of children in 6S. It was, once again, lovely to welcome visitors into the school for lunch - the delicious meals went down a treat! Thank you to everyone who played a part in enabling this event to take place.



### Mothers' Day Sale

The Mothers' Day sales were very popular this week with the children literally spoilt for choice - I won't say any more though as I'd hate to spoil the surprise! Thank you very much to the members of our Friends' Association who organised the sale and for their hard work with the purchasing, wrapping and selling of gifts. We hope you like your present!

### 50 Things To Do Before Leaving Primary School

Congratulations to **Samuel Hall** who has completed **30** things at home.

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### Wraparound Childcare

Thank you to everyone who completed the recent questionnaire for the local authority about provision for before/after school childcare. The Local Authority have been in contact with me and stated that a high number of places for before and after school provision are required. Whilst CAT Club currently only has limited spaces available, Treehouse Club, based at Buttsbury Infant School, has spaces for before and after school provision. If you are in need of childcare, please can you contact Treehouse Club (leaflet attached with this newsletter) as it does not make sense to look at further provision whilst we have spaces currently available. Thank you.

### Catering Manager

We have just two more weeks until we say 'farewell' to Jo, our wonderful Catering Manager. This will be a very sad day for the Buttsbury community but exciting for Jo as she heads off to the Lake District to live near her daughter. However, I have some positive news - we have appointed Mrs Helen Little, our previous Assistant Catering Manager, to the position of Catering Manager. Helen will be working alongside Jo, from next Tuesday, so she can 'hit the ground running' so to speak! Helen is, of course, also supported by our wonderful team of Catering Assistants, including Corinne, our Assistant Catering Manager.

### Pen Licences

Well done to **Olivia Murley, Ariana Lazell, Mikael Ali Khan, Lily Woods and Zachary Webster**, who all received their Pen Licences this week.

### Out of School Success

- \* Well done to **Leo Showell (5B)** who achieved his **Yellow Belt** in Jiu Jitsu.
- \* Congratulations to **Nathan Hawes (6S)** who took part in his first inter-club martial arts competition on Saturday and won two gold medals.
- \* Well done to **Chloe Baker (6P)** who entered the Friends of Lake Meadows photography competition and her photo was listed as "highly commended". At the library at the weekend, she was presented with a certificate and a £10 gift voucher by Charles Novis.
- \* Congratulations to **Jessica Reeves (3M)** who won the award for best junior tap dancer at the annual awards night for her dance school, Fusion, last week.
- \* Well done to **Larry Mitchell (5C)** who recently passed his **Orange belt** in karate.



### Partnership Cross Country

Yesterday, runners from our Years 3-6 cross country squad competed in the William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership Cross Country Final. All runners competed to the best of their abilities, showed grit and determination and gave their all to the very end. Once again, a true credit to Buttsbury.

Individual success came from both **Scarlett Metcalfe (Yr5)** and **Jude Phillips (Yr3)** who both impressively led from the front and won their races. They will now progress to the final round and compete in the Essex Cross Country Championships at the end of the month. Team places will be announced as soon as we have the results. Thank you to Mrs Lee and Mr Nation for organising and training the squad. Thank you to Mrs Webb and parents for your support at the race and transporting the children.





### Year 5 Visit to West Stow

On Wednesday, the Year 5 children visited West Stow Anglo Saxon Village in order to further study aspects of Anglo-Saxon life. Over the years, archaeologists have found evidence that West Stow was an Anglo Saxon village where around 70 sunken buildings and 8 halls were originally built. The children were able to see some of the weaving, thatching and wattle and daub techniques that they have been learning about in DT, gaining some inspiration for their own replica houses that they have been building. As well as this, upon visiting the on-site museum, the children were able to hold and examine some of the primary artefacts uncovered at West Stow and were amazed by the skill of the Anglo-Saxon craftsmen and women. The day really helped bring our History topic to life! Year 5 had a fantastic day out and would like to thank all of the parents and staff who came with them on their visit.



### Collection Tubes for Cancer Research UK (CRUK)

Yesterday, we handed our 20p collection tubes to David, from CRUK. Thank you to everyone who returned a tube full of 20ps!



### World Book Day 2024

What an exciting day we had yesterday! The children looked absolutely fantastic in their book character costumes. We started the day with an early assembly focusing on the theme this year of 'Read Your Way'. The inter-house quiz was fun and the 'Drop Everything And Read' sessions allowed the children to immerse themselves in their books.

After break, Year 6 walked to the infant school and read with the younger children. Back at the junior school, we paired up with a class in a different year group and read to each other. It was lovely to see the children read collaboratively, positively and with encouragement. We also had a special World Book Day lunch which was very popular, especially the Lord of the Rings doughnuts.

In the afternoon, we had a variety of activities, from creating story villains and wanted posters to writing book reviews and enjoying story time in French. The highlight, however, was welcoming our role model dad readers for story time at the end of the day! All in all, it was a great day that was full of stories, reading and fun. Huge thanks to all parents for supporting your children with their costumes, to Jo and her team for the lovely lunch and especially our dad readers. Thank you also to Mrs Cattini who organised the day.

We are already looking forward to next year!



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# Celebration Assembly

'Well Done' to all the children who were awarded MERIT certificates this week.

Emily Lycett	Alex Pierce
Zehra Kormaz	Betsy Burcombe
Daniel Tinworth	Sofia Tseng
Sophie Moore	Avijith Kottapalli
Grace Ivimy	Ava Meade
Alfie Field	Zack Brewer
Freya Childs	Jasmine Faraday
Jack Hyatt	Sofia Holdgate-Lopez
Amelia Hudson	Harry Mann
Daniel Blyth-Tancock	Frankie Stapleton
Zaiden Baker	Ethan Tyler
- Jessica Nash	Erin Bateman



## Kung Fu Taster Sessions

The children in all classes enjoyed an extra treat this week - a Kung Fu taster session - led by instructors from The Meridian Centre of Martial Arts, Billericay. The children had a great time and really enjoyed learning some new skills.



This week's 'Writers of the Week' are:

Esmay Ramrutton Heath Harlow Isla Kittridge  
Erin Collins Lysander Goodman Liam Martin  
Chanelle Asubiaro Mariah Hands  
Well done to our writing super stars!



This week's 'Mathematicians of the Week' are:

Lizzy Sheehan Erin Bateman Felicity Ginn  
Kaiser Thorby-Mead Renee Mweleke Isabel Bailey  
Henry Chandra Josh Hale Scarlett Stone  
Well done to our magical mathematicians!



## Afternoon Tea

Hotel Buttsbury was closed this week due to the special reading session with Dads. Business as usual next week!



This week's 'Readers of the Week' are:

Emilio Gallone William Smith William Rebel  
Jasper Smith Jack Tribe  
Isabella Magee Shi Wen He  
Well done to our enthusiastic readers!

This week's 'Times Table Rockstars' are:

Ava Pardoe Eva Moughton Sofia Gross  
Kaitlyn Charles Pradeep Thomas Wright  
Layla Foley Perdie Noble Sam Sinclair



## House Points

This week's winning house:

Leopards



## Top Table

This week, the children chosen by the Midday Assistants to sit at the 'Top Table' were:

Rosie Hadassi  
Amelia Hudson  
Carter Lewis  
Thomas Wright  
Emily O'Keefe



This week's attendance figure is: 97.6%!

This year's attendance target is 97.0%.

A special 'Well Done' to Class 4H who had 100% attendance this week! Congratulations!



## Rainbow Awards

Congratulations to this week's **BLUE** award winners this year:

Emily Lycett

Well done to this week's **GREEN** award winners:

Taylor Gibson

Callum Horton

Freya Childs

Chey Henry

Congratulations to our **YELLOW** award winners:

Nellie Amos  
Isabelle Neathercoat  
Luana Wenborn

Oliver Mumford  
Oliver Sutton

Zara Wakerly  
Charlie Partridge

Charlie Jennings  
Layla Neale

Well done to this week's **ORANGE** award winners:

Elliot Bacchus  
Max Barford  
Alex Fryd  
Peony Harlow  
Carter Lewis  
George Morgan  
Ethan Rae  
Will Williams  
Oliver Bowie  
Fraser Loudon  
William Smith  
Daniel Tinworth  
Faith Fenton

Chloe McGibbon  
Zachary Bauckham  
Henry Fuller  
Olivia Johnson  
April Marsh  
Alex Pierce  
Esmay Ramrutton  
Max Wilson  
Leonie Fairhead  
Ben McCreery  
Thomas Wright  
Ella Goodenough

Arun Sawhney  
Alice Bennett  
Emilio Gallone  
Grayson Kemp  
Blair McFadzean  
Rhys Povey  
Coraline Riches  
Teddy Youngs  
Heath Harlow  
Eddie Nunney  
Clark Williams  
Lucas Armsden

Oscar Turner  
Fred Cronjaegar  
Joshua Hale  
Zehra Korkmaz  
Ashley McSharry  
Rhian Powell  
Oliver Stephens  
Chloe Baker  
Joe Hussey  
Grace Pierce  
Sofia Tseng  
Olivia Tait

Congratulations to this week's **RED** award recipients.

Lara-Mae Austin  
Amelia Gabriel-West  
Perdie Noble  
Lizzy Sheehan  
Mikael Ali Khan  
Ayda Kemal  
Conchobhar Veats  
Lauren Crook  
Georgina Mason  
Nancy Dormer  
Rory Buckley  
Thomas Mason  
Amber Branch  
Thea Jones  
Florence Costello  
Alfie Asfour  
Felix Halder  
Elliana Wilkins  
Eduardo Chambers  
Felicity Ginn  
Mollie Hughes  
Alex Metcalfe  
Evie Smith  
George White  
Ayra Ahmed  
Zac Eggleton  
Ted Gort  
Elsie Johnston  
Vellita Millett  
Jessica Rendell  
Daniel Thomas  
Anya Farley  
Olivia Rebel  
Violet Toll  
Amelie Moore  
Dexter Broom  
Thomas Bennett  
Poppy Briggs  
Arnav Gupta  
Isla Kittridge  
Jessica Payton

Thomas Chandra  
Grace Ivimy  
Finley Pike  
Megan Shipton  
Jamie Baker  
Ariana Lazell  
Sophie Warden  
Alannah Cronin  
Ruby Price  
Isaac Harding  
Noah Gazzard  
Vinnie Cater  
Iris Balkwill  
Jessica Reeves  
Rosie Hadassi  
Oliver Baker  
Finley Paton  
Callie Beadon  
Amelie Doyle  
Lysander Goodman  
Elsie Ive  
Harvey Thomas Perry  
Tommy Smith  
Harrison Wooder  
Chanelle Asubiaro  
Jasmine Faraday  
Daniel Henry  
Isla Keniry  
Eva Moughton  
Adam Sargood  
Frankie Trott  
Leya Isikgun  
Dominic Senior  
Joseph Borg  
Moraya Kemp  
Renee Mweleka  
Charlie Cooper  
Henry Bugkle  
Myla Hands  
Zachary Mackenzie

Kaitlyn Charles Pradeep  
Frankie Moughton  
Albie Rangelcroft  
Blake Silvester  
Willow Harmer  
Jonny McConnell  
Emily Wilkinson  
Hetty Fearn  
Sophia Anderson  
Dylan Knowler  
Charlie Wood  
Sophia Christofi  
Maddie Wallis  
Rosie Taylor  
Hannah Lister  
Andrei Aldea Nicolaescu  
Rory Coshell  
Poppy Bolt Emerson  
Mariia Federova  
Sofia Gross  
Cameron McGee  
Bobby Rowling  
Ella Tennet  
Evan Aarons  
Isabel Bailey  
Joshua Gabriel-West  
James Huskie  
Thomas Lovell  
Oliver Munro  
Jasper Smith  
Jenson Wallis  
Charlie Leach  
Poppy Walsh  
Jack Wilkinson  
Harley Phillips  
Rosa Stafford  
Ollie Thorpe  
Louis Domien  
Shi Wen He  
Camden Mares-O'Connor

Erin Collins  
Daisy Mumford  
Michael Reason  
Koen Stephens  
Francesca Howe  
Archie Thomas  
Laurel Beaumont  
Chloe Hayes  
Betsy Burcombe  
Mark Bowman  
Ralph Pocklington  
Arabella Cranfield  
Rosie Hadassi  
Bluebell Cole  
Amelia Mangan  
Emilia Escudero Bradshaw  
Jacob Dyer  
Zack Brewer  
Alfie Field  
Georgie Harding  
Ava Meade  
Hannah Sijo  
Theo Vinicombe  
Francesca Brown  
Luella Cronjaeger  
Harry Goodacre  
Jack Hyatt  
Maisie McCarthy  
Milla Poulter  
Millie Stack  
Ellena Boulwood  
Lola Prior  
Abi Walker  
Anna Weddell  
Harry Fensome  
Zach Chambers  
Alex Marsh  
Layla Foley  
Daisy Hughes  
Jessica Nash

They have earned themselves a Non-Uniform Day on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March**





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