

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024

I hope that you had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed spending time with family and friends and, perhaps, taking a break away from home too?

This week, we welcomed Miss Parrett to our staff team. Miss Parrett will be teaching 6M as Mrs Morris is now on maternity leave. Miss Parrett has settled into our team very well and we are looking forward to getting to know her.

On the subject of Mrs Morris, I am very pleased to share the exciting news that she gave birth to a baby girl, called Arabella, on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April - Mum and baby are both doing very well! We look forward to Mrs Morris and Arabella coming to visit us in due course.

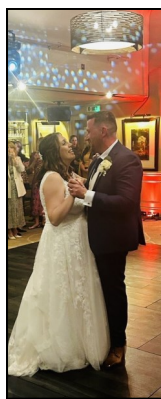
Over the past few months, I have become increasingly concerned about the congestion on Mill Hill Drive after school - the path is often completely blocked and it is very difficult for children to see their parents. In order to try and ease the congestion, in the next week or so, lines will be painted on Mill Hill Drive - there will be a hatched area in the middle which we would like you not to wait in, as this will be an area for children to walk up and down. There will be clearly marked waiting areas at both edges.

I don't know if this will work or not, but I would like to try and see if it helps. When the lines are in place, please can you stay in the waiting areas so children can walk through.

### Administration/Clerical Assistant Buttsbury Infant School

Buttsbury Infant School is looking to recruit a part-time administrative/clerical assistant. The position is for two days per week, to include Fridays and one other day which is negotiable. The role starts in June 2024 and is fixed-term until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

For further details, please see: <https://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=99811>



### Lunch Time Guests

On Monday, PC Curtis and PCSO Lauren Bryant joined us for lunch. The children thoroughly enjoyed chatting to our visitors who also had the chance to listen to some children read. We hope they will be able to join us for lunch again soon!



Our warmest congratulations to Mr and Mrs Barnes (formerly Miss Carroll)

### Next Week's Diary Dates

#### School Dinners - Week 2 - New Menu

#### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

- Friends' Association Meeting - 8.00pm - Meeting Room

#### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

- 4C and 4LM to visit Abberton Reservoir - outdoor clothing, old trainers/wellies and packed lunch please - normal school times
- St. George's Day - Members of uniformed organisations may wear their uniform
- Special themed lunch for St. George's Day

#### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April

- Year 3 assembly - 9.30am

#### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April

- 4M and 4H to visit Abberton Reservoir - outdoor clothing, old trainers/wellies and packed lunch please - normal school times
- Red Rainbow reward day for any new RED rainbows

### Year 3 Assembly - Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April

You are warmly invited to join the Year 3 children for their assembly next Thursday at 9.30am - do come along and find out about the children's recent activities and learning. If you can avoid bringing toddlers and babies, that would be most appreciated please as they can be a distraction to our children. Thank you.

### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April - St. George's Day Commemorations

To commemorate St. George's Day, if your child is a member of a uniformed organisation, e.g. brownies, cubs, guides, scouts, girls' brigade, boys' brigade, then they may wear their organisation's uniform instead of their school uniform, if they wish. Please note that this is not a non-uniform day; all other children should wear their school uniform. There will also be a special themed lunch - menu attached.

### Isle of Wight Information Meeting

It was great to see so many parents and children attend the meeting on Wednesday evening. I hope you found it informative and that it has given the children something very exciting to look forward to once they finish their SATS.

### Hair Cuts

Please can I remind you that hair cuts should not be shorter than a Number 2. Thank you.

### School Uniform

We are all looking forward to the warmer weather and finally hanging up those winter coats. Just a reminder that Summer uniform for girls is a blue/white gingham dress. Please note that we do not allow playsuits to be worn as they present some interesting complications when visits to the toilet are needed! Boys may wear grey shorts rather than trousers.

*'Maximum Effort for  
Maximum Achievement'*

# Celebration Assembly

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

<i>Brooklyn Nelson</i>	<i>Megan Shipton</i>
<i>Michael Reason</i>	<i>Teddy Youngs</i>
<i>Fred Cronjaeger</i>	<i>Blair McFadzean</i>
<i>Samuel McFeely</i>	<i>Lavanya Soni</i>
<i>Camden Mares O'Connor</i>	
<i>Mollie Hughes</i>	<i>Theo Vinicombe</i>
<i>Leif Emanuel-Francis</i>	<i>Jack Robertson</i>
<i>Theo Vasileiadis</i>	<i>Oliver Bowie</i>
<i>Eddie Nunney</i>	<i>Dylan Knowler</i>
<i>Zach Chambers</i>	<i>Charlie Cooper</i>
<i>Annabel Reeves</i>	<i>Joshua Gabriel West</i>
<i>Jessica Rendell</i>	<i>Lucas Armsden</i>



## Easter Revision Class

It was lovely to see so many Year 6 children (66 in total) come along to the revision day at the start of the Easter holiday. I hope they found the sessions both helpful and enjoyable. My thanks go to Miss Carroll, Mr Yaxley, Miss Watson, Mrs Pretlove and Miss Roe for leading the sessions.

## Parking Issues

I have already received a number of complaints this week from local residents about poor parking - driveways are being blocked and I have received numerous photos of cars parked on yellow lines. I have also seen several cars stop on the hatched lines, right in front of me, to drop children off. Please can I remind the **few** parents who do this that it puts lives at risk and is also very disrespectful to the local community. It is time-consuming for me to keep receiving emails of complaint which I have to respond to and it is embarrassing for both you and me, when I have to put on my traffic-warden hat and move drivers on!

Thank you, in advance, for your support.

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

*James Wright Zehra Kormaz Jack Tribe  
James Knowler George White Ted Gort  
Fraser Loudon Rosa Stafford  
Well done to our writing super stars!*



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

*Mollie Hughes Amelia Hudson Joseph Hussey  
Annabelle Wilks Alessia Tutuianu  
Elsie Johnston Sophie Holms Ethan Tyler  
Well done to our magical mathematicians!*

## Afternoon Tea

Once again, the children really enjoyed coming along to 'afternoon tea' and enthusiastically tucked into the chocolate biscuits, cakes and squash. They were equally excited to talk about their favourite pieces of work this year.

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

*Finley Pike Will Williams Christiana Christofi  
Hannah Sijo Kaydee Quirk Thomas Wright  
Esmae Baker Millie Stack  
Well done to our enthusiastic readers!*



## House Points

This week's winning house:

**Panthers**

## Top Table

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

**Oliver Bowie  
Luca Evans  
Dhruv Patel  
Tommy Smith  
Dexter Broom**

*This week's attendance figure is: 96.1%*

*This year's attendance target is 97.0%.*

A special 'Well Done' to Class 6P who had the highest attendance this week - 98.4%! Congratulations!





### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024 – B/C Netball Tournament

On Wednesday afternoon, our Year 5 and 6 netball teams took part in the B/C Netball Tournament, which was held at The Billericay School. The teams played against four other schools including; Stock, St Peter's, Sunnymede and Quilters.

Both teams played fantastically well and showed excellent sportsmanship throughout. It was lovely to see the two teams gel and be so supportive of one another. Some great interceptions and several brilliant shots were made.

The teams produced some excellent results too.

Overall, Buttsbury C finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place and Buttsbury B finished in 1<sup>st</sup> place! Very well done girls! Miss Pretty, Mrs Lee and Mrs Coughlan were extremely proud of you! A big thank you to the parents who assisted with the transport. Additional thanks go to Miss Pretty, Mrs Lee, Mrs Coughlan and Mr Mynard for supporting the girls continuously at training sessions. Well done Buttsbury!



### PE Kits

Just a reminder that children should be wearing shorts for PE rather than tracksuit bottoms as we are now in the Summer season of sport which hopefully might mean some summery weather soon!  
Please note that leggings do not form part of our PE kit and should not be worn for PE lessons. Traditional school black PE shorts are preferred rather than cycle shorts.

### Out of School Success

- \* Well done to Bella Salmon (6S) who took part in her in-house gymnastics competition at Celebrate Gymnastics Club. She came 1<sup>st</sup> place on the bars and 3<sup>rd</sup> place for her floor routine.
- \* Congratulations to Dominic Senior (3BW) who has achieved his 400m swimming badge.
- \* Well done to Zachary Webster (3BW) who participated in a rugby festival against Wanstead on Sunday scoring 7 tries and was awarded Player of the Day.
- \* Congratulations to Emelia Giddings (5B) who competed in British Trampoline East region Final at the weekend, placing 1<sup>st</sup> place in her age category.
- \* Well done to Mollie Parker (3P) who was awarded 'Gymnast of the Week' for her outstanding effort and dedication to gymnastics.



### Reading Awards

Well done to Chloe Baker (6P) who should have received her Silver and Gold reading awards at the end of term but was accidentally missed off the list. Apologies - and belated congratulations - to Chloe.

### 50 Things To Do Before Leaving Primary School

Congratulations to **Amelia Maloney** who has completed 10 things at home.

Well Done to **Vivaan Mukherji** who has completed 20 things at home!

Congratulations to **Sophia Rusu** who has completed 30 things at home.

### Pen Licences

Well done to:

**Gethin Arentsen**  
**Malachi Kwanzambi**  
**Mariah Hands**  
**Eione Phillips**  
**Zachary Phillips**



who all received their Pen Licences this week.

## Rainbow Awards

Congratulations to our **YELLOW** award winners:

**Callum Horton**  
**Jamie Collyer**

**Charlie Murray**  
**Edie Buick**

**Matthew Hughes**  
**Jamie Rocks**

**Oliver Hughes**

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

**Emelia Giddings**  
**Maxwell Green**  
**Julio Ferreria Melo**

**Isabelle Neathercoat**  
**Isabelle Oldland**  
**Layla Neale**

**Sophia Keys**  
**Poppy Higgs**

**Jasper Wood**  
**Sienna Kareer**

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

**Ava Pardoe**  
**Luke Richardson**  
**Olivia Rees**  
**Oscar Turner**  
**Vince Drury**  
**Brooklyn Nelson**  
**Rory Buckle**  
**Besty Burcombe**  
**Eddie Nunney**  
**Daniel Tinworth**  
**Faith Fenton**

**Preston Mills-Martin**  
**William Stafford**  
**Noah Cannon**  
**James Wright**  
**Jude Goad**  
**Archie Alderton**  
**Jude Cavanagh**  
**Leonie Fairhead**  
**Grace Pierce**  
**Sofia Tseng**  
**Oliva Tait**

**Summer Tait**  
**Archie Williams**  
**Larry Mitchell**  
**Gethin Arentsen**  
**Chloe McGibbon**  
**William Rebel**  
**Joey Purkiss**  
**Fraser Loudon**  
**Connie Rumsey**  
**Annabelle Wilks**

**Jasper Jenkins**  
**William McLellan**  
**Bodhi Seabrook**  
**Bradley Bloomfield**  
**Sophie Moore**  
**Luca Evans**  
**Jack Campkin**  
**Ben McCreery**  
**Riley Tear**  
**Jack Tyler**

They have earned themselves a Non-Uniform Day on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April** -  
4M and 4H will be the week after as they are on a visit on 26<sup>th</sup> April

We also have our second **Bronze Pot of Gold** recipients this week. To earn their Bronze Pot of Gold, children need to earn **FOUR** Rainbow Awards after receiving their **RED** award.

**Jamie Baker**  
**Ayda Kemal**  
**Sophie Warden**  
**Ruby Hill**  
**Rory Coshell**  
**Dexter Broom**  
**Jamie Holmes**  
**Violet Toll**  
**Lara Mae Austin**  
**Erin Collins**  
**Frankie Moughton**  
**Lucas Brousse**  
**Poppy Goring**  
**Hope O'Sullivan**  
**Elodie Wang Gao**  
**Erin Bateman**  
**Lavanya Soni**  
**Leif Emanuel-Francis**  
**Mariah Hands**  
**Joe Jackson**  
**Harry Mann**  
**Jacob Ovel**  
**Jack Robertson**  
**Asa Taylor**  
**Theo Vasileiadis**  
**Chloe Bowdidge**  
**Sophie Holms**  
**Renee Mweleka**  
**Leya Isikgun**  
**Dominic Senior**

**Theo Clifford**  
**Ariana Lazell**  
**Emily Wilkinson**  
**Olivia Murley**  
**Jacob Dyer**  
**Ryan Challand**  
**Moraya Kemp**  
**Abi Walker**  
**Elliot Bacchus**  
**Amelia Gabriel-West**  
**Daisy Mumford**  
**Freya Dormer**  
**Sophie Mackenzie**  
**Jessica Pilka**  
**Elliot Warman**  
**George Brooks**  
**Freya Anderson**  
**Jax Evans**  
**Sofia Holdgate Lopez**  
**Evelina Kiafa**  
**Jennifer McSharry**  
**Dhruv Patel**  
**Edward Smith**  
**Kaiser Thorby-Mead**  
**Riwaya Atapattu**  
**Anna Christie**  
**Annabel Reeves**  
**Dylan McGinness**  
**Charlie Leach**  
**Poppy Walsh**

**Willow Harmer**  
**Jonny McConnell**  
**Marley Dowling**  
**Mollie Parker**  
**Elliana Wilkins**  
**Isla Craswell**  
**Amelie Moore**  
**Anna Weddell**  
**Thomas Chandra**  
**Grace Ivimy**  
**Theo Barnes**  
**Felix Duncan**  
**Violet Mills**  
**Harry Shipway**  
**Tanvi Kondapalli**  
**Ethan Tyler**  
**Pippa Daley**  
**Benjamin Ferris**  
**Amelia Hudson**  
**Malachi Kwanzambi**  
**Alfie Moclair**  
**Eione Phillips**  
**Teddy Soar**  
**Jack Tribe**  
**Esmee Baker**  
**Megan Forder**  
**Olivia Shearwood**  
**Ellena Boulwood**  
**Lola Prior**

**Francesca Howe**  
**Conchobhar Veats**  
**Emel Enver**  
**Lily Woods**  
**Joseph Borg**  
**Harry Fensome**  
**Harley Phillips**  
**Jack Wilkinson**  
**Kaitlyn Charles Pradeep**  
**Avijith Kottapalli**  
**Jemima Broom**  
**David Golberg**  
**Nifemi Oladele**  
**Maddison Stower**  
**James Ivimy**  
**Sam McFeely**  
**Patrick Dillon**  
**Sophia Golberg**  
**Leo Hughes**  
**Lilani Luthra**  
**Lola Obergan**  
**Kaydee Quirk**  
**Frederick Solomons**  
**Alessia Tutuianu**  
**Daniel Blyth-Tancock**  
**Teddy Harding**  
**Efe Kemal**  
**Anya Farley**  
**Olivia Rebel**

