



# IF WEEKLY

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Friday 2nd February 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had quite an active week in school and I have been extremely proud of the children for many reasons. It has also been wonderful to get to that time of year where it starts to get a touch lighter in the morning and after school.



On Monday our netball team played at home versus Long Ridings for their first match of 2018. It was a fantastic game and it was wonderful seeing everyone passing the ball with energy and encouraging each other throughout the game. Mrs Meadows was extremely pleased with how they played as they went on to win 16-3. During the week I have enjoyed talking to Years 3 and 4 about their work on diaries. It was interesting to see them working in small groups to mind map their ideas and then carry this through into their writing. I have also enjoyed seeing the children using percussion instruments to bring their various scenes to life through sound, printing in art and creating their own fossils using salt dough. At a time when there has been a lot in the press about the squeeze on creative subjects it is refreshing to know and see that this is still an important part of our own school curriculum.

On Tuesday we took a group of children from Years 5 and 6 to Shenfield School to take part in the Brentwood area Indoor Sports Hall Athletics competition. This is always a fabulous event and the children proved to be wonderful ambassadors for the school. They ran, threw and jumped as a team and they certainly encouraged each other to do their best. We did well in a number of track and field events; however we didn't manage to qualify for the next round. Well done to everyone who took part and all the parents who were able to help on the day, it was much appreciated.

On Wednesday we took a football team to the area finals of the FA Premier League Stars football tournament to see who would represent Chelsea FC in this national competition. After a strong start winning our first match against a team from Ipswich we went on to win all our group games to reach the semi-finals. The team continued to play well to reach the finals which we won. This is a wonderful achievement and means that next week they will be playing at Chelsea's training ground at Cobham in the regional finals where they will play teams from London, Kent, Sussex, Hampshire, Surrey, Berkshire and Wiltshire to see who will go on to represent Chelsea at Leicester City's King Power Stadium. This is a wonderful achievement for the team, especially on the back of them qualifying for the regional finals to see who will represent West Ham FC in the same tournament, and we wish them every success on Tuesday.



Throughout the week I have enjoyed seeing Years 5 and 6 focused on their writing of a sequel to the Beowulf poem. The children have produced some wonderful creative and imaginative writing which has been interesting to read.

Yesterday afternoon we welcomed Billericay Town FC to our school to talk to the children about the club, football, learning and keeping fit and healthy in general. The children asked some great questions and at times there was a great deal of laughter to their responses. They have kindly given us tickets for a game and information about that will come out shortly with details of the match day event.

We ended the week with our Year 5 Family Friendly lunch which was wonderful as always and I know the new tables purchased by the PTA were well received by everyone who attended. In assembly we said goodbye to Veronika Dressel and Elizavet Tsigos, two students from Frankfurt who have been on an exchange visit from Germany.

Next week we have a number of different sporting events taking place, Bikeability starting again and Class Norway will be leading assembly on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, so please come along to find out what they have been learning in class at 9.00am. A letter will also come out about our Talent Show which will take place at the end of this term and will take on a slightly different format this year. To celebrate Education Sunday there is a family friendly service at Ingatestone church at 9:30 on Sunday. Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the start of the Six Nations.

*Neil Taggart*





## Tuition Fees

Please can any outstanding fees for clubs and music tuition be paid a.s.a.p.  
Thank you.





### Head Teachers Cup:

Tegan Barber

George Reeves

### Reading Award:

Harry Hodey

### Maths Award:

Layla Watts

### Well Done Certificates:

Seb Dorricott, Lily Coleman, Ella Farrow, Bailey Mullender, Kemmel Thorogood, Jonny Turner, Jessica Cavanagh, Gwen Thorogood, Tabitha Vider, Lewis Davies, Zachary Meredith, Emmie Floyd, Abigail Lloyd

### Out of School Achievements:

Well done to Thomas Ellis for passing his 25m badge in swimming. Congratulations to Jack Watson for coming second in a competition with Chelmsford Gymnastic Club.



### Dates (new in bold)

#### FEBRUARY

7<sup>th</sup> 9:05 Class Norway assembly  
Football v IngraveJohnston a  
10<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Half term  
20<sup>th</sup> Netball rally @ Shenfield  
22<sup>nd</sup> Chinese New Year lunch  
House Art afternoon -  
Chinese New Year  
Football v Bentley St Paul  
23<sup>rd</sup> PTA Family Bingo Night  
27<sup>th</sup> PTA Mothers day shop -  
lower school  
5:30-8pm Parent  
consultation evening

28<sup>th</sup> District Netball Rally  
3pm Football @ LongRidings

#### MARCH

1<sup>st</sup> World Book Day  
PTA Mothers Day Shop -  
Upper School  
3:30-6pm Parents Consultation  
Evening  
2<sup>nd</sup> 12:00 Year 4 Family Friendly  
lunch

3<sup>rd</sup> PTA Spring Ball  
6<sup>th</sup> 9:30 Lower School to  
Chelmsford Cathedral  
7<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Norfolk residential

### Spring WEEK 3 (changes)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pasta day with grated cheese or tomato and basil or bacon and mushroom sauce	Fishwick fish fillet in a crispy crumb in a bun with lettuce and mayo	<b>Local butcher's roast</b> gammon with Yorkshire pudding and gravy	<b>Jacket potato with cheese/baked beans or chilli con carne</b>	Oven baked chicken breast chunks or salmon bites with tomato sauce
Macaroni cheese	<b>Veggie burger in a bun</b>	Linda McCartney veggie sausages	Vegetable chilli	Quorn dippers
Garlic bread Salad bar	<b>Crispy potato cubes</b> Coleslaw Salad bar	Roast potatoes Garden peas Cauliflower cheese	Sweetcorn Salad bar	Chips Garden peas Baked beans Salad bar
Jacket potato with toppings	Jacket potato with toppings	<b>No jacket potatoes available today</b>	Jacket potato with toppings	Jacket potato with toppings
<b>Chocolate cracknell</b> or Muller corner yoghurt or Yeo valley organic yoghurt or Fresh fruit	<b>Pancakes and syrup</b> or Muller corner yoghurts or Yeo valley organic yoghurt or Fresh fruit	Arctic roll or Muller corner yoghurt or Yeo Valley organic yoghurt or fresh fruit	<b>Fruity flapjack</b> or Muller corner yoghurt or Yeo valley organic yoghurt or Fresh fruit	Fresh fruit pot or Muller corner yoghurts or Yeo valley organic yoghurt