

Perryfields Junior School

The Flyer Week 3 – September 2023

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

It's also been really encouraging to see lots of our children participating in our football and netball trials this week. Miss Gregory and Mr Taylor were very impressed with those children who took part - well done! All sports clubs will begin next week and I do hope that as many children as possible make the most of the opportunities on offer.

On the subject of leadership and fitness, I was so pleased to see that our Sports Captains successfully led the skipping competitions during Wednesday's National Day of fitness - well done. During the day, our whole school community enjoyed lots of exercise both inside and outside of the classroom - it was exhausting and exhilarating. A super initiative!

Congratulations to all those children who have been elected as School Council, Digital Leaders, Eco Warriors and House Captains. I am sure you will use your new leadership roles wisely.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all of the importance of reading with your child and how good attendance impacts on their outcomes in school. Reading with your child each day is vital to them becoming a competent reader. If you do not read with your child regularly they will be at a disadvantage both now and into the future. There is no short cut and our experience tells us that those parents who have a routine for reading each evening will be setting their child up for success.

Likewise, if your child's attendance is below 95%, they will be at a disadvantage both academically and socially. Academically because they will miss learning and socially because new friendships may be made when they are not in school. Consequently, unless your child has particular medical issues which we will be aware of, please ensure your child is in school every day. The link below contains information about sending your child to school with a mild illness which may be a helpful reference.

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

Today also marks Miss Richard's final day before she begins her maternity leave. We wish her the best of luck and look forward to hearing about the safe arrival of the new baby.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Jane Hasler

Pupil of the Week

Cowell: Jacob Seuss: Aidan Walliams: Aniket Lewis: Ryan Dahl: Alex Rowling: Sienna Tolkien: Elizabeth Morpurgo: Hannah Pullman: Narain Award for Outstanding Manners Oscar – Cowell Class Rosaline – Lewis Class

PE Award Kashvi – Tolkien Class

> Spelling Award Lewis Class

Mrs Siddall's Attendance Award Rowling & Dahl Class – 99%

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>

The national expectation for attendance is 96%. The government has clarified the position regarding the term 'regular' attendance. It means children must be in school <u>EVERY DAY</u>. Every second counts at Perryfields. We <u>must</u> work together to improve attendance and punctuality even more.

| Year 3 | 98.3% | |
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| Year 4 | 96.2% | |
| Year 5 | <mark>99%</mark> | |
| Year 6 | 96.4% | |

Reminders/Notices

Year 5

New Parents: Year 3 children have now brought home a letter detailing how to set up ScoPay and School Ping accounts.

PE Kits: Your child should have a **PE** kit in school all week. Can we please also remind you that children will need to remove earrings and must be able to do this themselves.

School Car Park: Please do not park in the school car park to drop off or collect children at any time. The car park is strictly for staff of the Junior and surrounding schools. Please also refrain from using the area in front of the gates as this can cause traffic problems for staff trying to enter and leave the car park.

Coming up so far this half term:

| Monday 25 th September | Reading with your child session – School Hall at 3.30pm, email sent 11 th September | | | |
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| Monday 25 th September | School Clubs begin – email sent 14 th September | | | |
| Thursday 28 th September | Macmillan Coffee Afternoon plus Nearly New Uniform Sale – email sent 11 th September | | | |
| Saturday 30 th September | 2 nd payment of £59 for year 6 residential trip due | | | |
| Thursday 5 th October | Year 3 trip to Layer Marney Tower. Please make payment through your ScoPay account – email sent 11 th September | | | |
| Friday 6 th October | Year 6 Homefront 40's day. Please make payment through your ScoPay account – email sent 11 th September | | | |
| Monday 16 th October | Year 5 Harvest Festival – details to follow | | | |

Year 7 Applications – September 2024

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened on Tuesday, 12 September 2023, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2024.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2023.

Applications can be made online via <u>www.essex.gov.uk/admissions</u>. 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year. All of the application information is available on the website above.

Online Safety Update – Digital Leaders



Our new Digital Leaders have been elected! Our Digital Leaders will now begin to complete their training which will earn them points and badges through a series of modules and team meetings. On completion of the eight core training modules, the Digital Leaders will be awarded their official badges. The Digital Leaders will then deliver online safety activities in school, such as online safety workshops, poster displays and campaigns. Keep your eyes peeled for future updates!

Our new Digital Leaders are:

Year 3:

Seuss: Olivia and Lochlan

Cowell: Summer and Kai

Year 4:

Walliams: Aniket and Edward

Lewis: Tia and Leo

Year 5:

Dahl: Joshua and Lauren

Rowling: Jaxson and Lilah-Rose

Year 6:

Tolkien: Spandan and Ashane

Pullman: Dishita and Narain

Week: Two

Morpurgo: Thamogna and Sachith

Please see below our dinner menu for next week.

Please note that we can also provide a packed lunch if your child would prefer this. This will be either the baguette, wrap or soft roll and also includes a drink, fruit, cucumber sticks and the dessert of the day.

| | | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday 🐇 🖗 |
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| 120 | Meat | Macaroni Cheese | Crunchy Chicken Fillet | Pork Sausage | Baguette Day (Tuna, Cheese or Ham) | Chicken Chunks |
| Main course | e <mark>getaria</mark> n | Cheesy Bean & Potato Bake | Crunchy Quorn Fillet | Quom Sausage | | Quorn Dippers |
| 2 | Jacket Potato | Baked Beans/Cheese | Baked Beans/Tuna | Tuna/Cheese | Tuna/Cheese | Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo |
| | Si <mark>d</mark> e Dish | Sweetcom Coleslaw Salad Bar Crusty Bread | Herby Diced Potato Beans Salad Bar | Mashed Potato Mixed Vegetables Gravy | | Chips Baked Beans Salad Bar |
| Pack | ed Lunch | Baguette (Tuna, Cheese or Ham) | Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham) | Soft Roll (Tuna, Cheese or Ham) | | Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham) |
| | Dessert | Fresh Fruit Yoghurt | Chocolate Brownie Fresh Fruit Yoghurt | Fresh Fruit Yoghurt | Flapjack Fresh Fruit Yoghurt | loed Fruit Smoothie |
| | Drinks | Water/Milk | Water/Milk | Water/Milk | Water/Milk | Water/Milk |

CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL YOUNG SINGERS



Love to sing? Join our exciting new choir for boys and girls age 7-14.

The Young Singers will have weekly rehearsals with Cathedral music staff and perform regularly at services and events in the Cathedral. It's a great opportunity to make new friends and have fun! Come along to our taster session in the Cathedral on Tuesday 26th September at 4.30pm - 6pm.

For more information contact: music@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk

Message from New Hall School

New Hall School will be hosting an Open Morning on Saturday 30 September 2023.

Those wishing to join us should be directed <u>to fill out this form via our website</u> so they can be added to the attendee list and schedule the start time of their tours.

The visit to New Hall will include a guide around the School and its facilities, including a look at some of our new developments, such as the new classrooms, built over summer 2023, and new cookery rooms to expand our Leiths Cookery Academy programme. It will also be a fantastic opportunity to hear about our student summertime trips, including the sports tour to South Africa, the Duke of Edinburgh expedition to the Peak District, the Dance World Cup trip to Portugal and the Politics excursion to Geneva.

Our new Equestrian Centre at New Hall Park Farm in nearby Little Baddow is another exciting development for the next academic year to encourage new riders whilst offering an excellent training facility for competitive riders.

We hope to see many of your pupils and families from Perryfields Junior School there!

On a similar note, New Hall will be hosting a Year 7 Taster Day on Saturday 14 October 2023. Again, this will be an excellent chance for your pupils to experience first-hand what life is like for a Senior student at New Hall. <u>This is the link to pass on to your parents for registering for the Taster Day.</u>

New Hall also regularly hosts local primary and preparatory schools for Year 5 day retreats to enjoy the grounds, including our on-site farm, as well as various activities, ranging from sports and music to art and chaplaincy based events. This gives pupils (and staff) a memorable away day to enjoy our grounds and facilities, whilst giving pupils an extra taste of life here at New Hall. If you are interested in a New Hall Year 5 Retreat for your school, please email <u>events@newhallschool.co.uk</u>.

