



# Perryfields Junior School

## *The Flyer*

Week 6 – October 2023

### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 3 enjoyed a brilliant time on their trip today to Layer Marney Tower last Thursday where they discovered a multitude of information about the Stone Age. They took part in so many different activities to learn about what life was like and they even made their own clay pots!

Well done to our mixed Tag Rugby team who competed with great skill and determination in this week's inter-school contest - outstanding efforts all round!

Our Sports Captains and Playleaders really enjoyed the Bronze Ambassador training delivered by Mandy Morris from Chelmsford Sports Partnership on Wednesday. The presentation focussed on 'Leadership within Sport' and this will help our sports leaders to organise and lead lots of playground games and House competitions across the school. Thank you, Mandy.

I was thrilled to present our coveted Random Act of Kindness Award to Nathan this week. Without being asked, Nathan generously gave up his time to help one of his peers who needed assistance. Because of his kindness, lots of other children stopped to help as well - how inspiring is that!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Jane Hasler

### Pupil of the Week

Cowell: Shanwik  
Seuss: Bella St Pierre  
Walliams: Levi  
Lewis: Nathan  
Dahl: Aroush  
Rowling: Samuel  
Tolkien: Isabella  
Morpurgo: Ronnie  
Pullman: Jess

Mrs Siddall's Attendance Award  
Morpurgo Class – 99.2%

Award for  
Outstanding Manners  
*Alicia – Walliams Class*  
*Levi – Walliams Class*

PE Award  
*Chloe – Pullman Class*

Spelling Award  
*Dahl Class*

Random Act of Kindness  
*Nathan – Lewis Class*

## ATTENDANCE

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 **EVERY DAY**. Every second counts at Perryfields. We must work together to improve attendance and punctuality even more.

Year 3	96.2%
Year 4	98.0%
Year 5	96.7%
Year 6	97.2%



## Reminders/Notices

**Items brought to school office:** There has been an increasing number of items being dropped into the school office after children have had registration. Can you please try to make sure that children have all their belongings at the start of the school day. If you do need to drop something into reception, please make sure it is named.

**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 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 5 Harvest Festival – Please join us in the hall at 9.15am
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening – Yrs 3,4,5&6
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening for year 6 - Mrs Leader
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Enterprise Day – Please join us from 9.15am-9.45am
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening - Years 3,4,5&6 (not Mrs Leader)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Last Day of Term

## 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 [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions). 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year. All of the application information is available on the website above.

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.

## Menu Summer Term starting w/c 17/4/23

Week: One



		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main course	Meat	Pepperoni Pizza (contains Beef)	Chicken Korma Curry	Homemade Sausage Roll	Spaghetti Bolognaise	Omega 3 Fish Fingers
	Vegetarian	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Vegetable Curry	Sausage Twist	Quorn Bolognaise	Cheese Pinwheel
	Jacket Potato	Tuna/Cheese	Tuna/Beans	Baked Beans/Cheese	Tuna/Cheese	Tuna/Cheese/Beans
	Side Dish	Coleslaw Sweetcorn Salad Bar Fresh Bread	Rice Naan Bread Salad Bar	Herby Diced Potatoes Peas Fresh Bread	Garlic Bread	Chips Baked Beans Salad Bar Fresh Bread
	Packed Lunch	Soft Roll (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Baguette (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Baguette (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)	Wrap (Tuna, Cheese or Ham)
	Dessert	Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Fruit Lolly Yoghurt	Sponge Cake of the Day Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Ice Cream Pots with Strawberry or Chocolate Sauce
	Drinks	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk	Water/Milk



Net Aware from the NSPCC has detailed information about every major social network, app and game that are currently popular with our children. Each page is full of top tips for staying safe online. If you are ever in doubt about a social network, app or game, visit <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/> for more information.

In the meanwhile, use these **TEAM** tips to help your children stay safe in the online world:

**Talk** to your child regularly about what they're doing online and how to stay safe. Let them know they can come to you or another trusted adult if they're feeling worried or upset by anything they have seen. Reassure them that they can talk to you or a teacher if they are worried.

**Explore** your child's online activities together. Understand why they like playing certain games and make sure they know what they can do to keep themselves safe.

**Agree** your own rules as a family when using sites, apps and games. Make sure the children are clear about what they can do online and when.

**Manage** your technology and use the privacy settings available to keep your child safe.

**In the meanwhile, think about...**

1. Passwords: create a separate password for your email account. Make it strong with three random words using capital & lower letters, numbers & symbols. If safe to do so save the passwords in your browser.
2. Two factor authentication: turn on two factor authentication (where you need more than one password or form of identification, such as an email address and mobile number) where possible.
3. Your old accounts: if you've stopped using a social media site or forum there's no point in leaving personal information out there unnecessarily, deactivate the account and if you can, delete it.
4. Keep your anti-virus software up to date: make sure you have anti-virus software installed on your device and be careful what you download or install on your computer.
5. Guard personal information: unless necessary, restrict posting any personal information- your address, email address or mobile number - publicly online.
6. Back-ups: turn on all back-ups.
7. In-App Purchases: deactivate in-app purchases on your devices to prevent unexpected costs whilst using apps and games.

[nsc.gov.uk/section/information-for/individuals-families](https://nsc.gov.uk/section/information-for/individuals-families)



# FREE Parenting Programme

Starts:

School Age

**Thursday 2nd November 2023**

**9.30-11.30am**



The Family Centre, Lawford Mead School site  
Trent Road, Chelmsford, CM1 2JH

We are offering a **FREE** 12 week Incredible Years Parenting Programme,  
The programme will allow you to strengthen your parenting skills,  
by meeting with other parents and sharing ideas and good practices.  
The programme includes:

- \* Improving your relationship with your child through child led play
- \* How to support your child's social and learning skills
- \* Support and Ideas on setting clear boundaries

*"It helped make our home calmer and harmonious."*

*"It helped me look at the way I parent and to reinforce  
things that were OK and change the things that were not working*

*- previous parent's comment who attended the course*

*Pop in for a coffee and an  
informal chat about the  
programme on  
Thursday 19th October 2023  
9.30-10:30*



## Call now to book your place

Crèche available places limited (Free of Charge)

Please call 01245 354134 to book a place