

Essex County Council

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Dear Parents,

We have continued to think about our Christian value of courage this week and the work here has been supported by our new RISE (Resilience in Schools and Education) whole school programme. An extract from their letter to parents:

‘What is RISE?

Resilience is a vital human characteristic that enables us to cope when things go wrong, learn from our mistakes and grow through overcoming challenges. **Resilient people** have **better wellbeing**, more **success in their education** and careers, and are generally better **able to manage adversity**. RISE is a whole school program designed to assess and **build your child’s resilience**. We believe that RISE can fundamentally **improve your child’s school experience** and equip them with skills that will serve them well for the rest of their lives’.

The programme is split into 7 areas and we have started exploring the first part, Competence, which encourages the children to develop, recognise and feel secure with their strengths.

If you would like more information about this, please visit www.edpsyched.co.uk/rise

Attendance and Lateness

We have been making some changes to the school day to maximise the earlier start and later finish times so we have put some of our interventions or concentrated work e.g. handwriting, times tables etc before collective worship (9:10 Monday to Thursday). Therefore, please can you try to make sure that your child is here on time so they do not miss out on the extra support that we provide here. The register will close at 8:55 and after this time, your child will be marked as late.

There are times when your children will have to stay at home if they are unwell or contagious e.g. with chicken pox or sickness and diarrhoea. We have just had a confirmed case of Strep A in the school. Children with Strep A must isolate. Check with your GP for further information. If your child has a cough or cold, they can still come to school. Our attendance is usually very high but recently children are having longer spells at home and are at risk of falling into the persistent absence category where County contact you.

School Lunches.

You should have received the ParentMail this week about the revised menus which we will be running for a short while. Our cook is unwell and was in our thoughts and prayers in Team assembly this morning.

Happy Book

In the Happy Book this week; Lilly-Mai wanted to thank Phoebe, Amelie, Poppy and Lenny for being there for her; I wanted to thank Frank for having the courage to try something new at lunch this week; Lola wanted to thank Macy, Lilly, Amelie, Harry, Blake, Finley and Harry for letting her play in their games this week; Leia and Sienna’s Mummy wanted to thank them for being so grown up and helpful while Daddy has been away; Noah thanked Charlie for giving him courage when he was feeling shy; I thanked Fay, Phoebe, Jessica, Mrs Billett and Mr Hume for helping me in choir yesterday and we all wanted to thank Mrs Gurteen for keeping the school well-fed this week!

Achievement from Home and School

Home: Scarlett was presented with her Learn to Swim certificate Level 1; Esmee received a medal for her work in karate; Alfie was Sharp Shooter of the Week-the first one of the year and Finley completed his first park run and his Mummy and Daddy were really proud of him.

School: Evelyn and Charlie were presented with their **Bronze Athletics Awards**; Harry, Edith, Zac, Elliana and Sienna were presented with their **Silver Athletics awards**; **Gold Athletics Awards** were presented to Patrick, Laura, Catherine, Mya and Leo, and Alfie, Noah, Sonny and George have achieved their **Platinum Athletics awards**. Our class **Spelling Shed Superstar** is Quickbury class with 24,423,626 points and our **Top 20 Super Spellers** are Noah, Lenny, Elsie, Teddy, Catherine, George, Amelie, Lilly-Mai, Harry, Mya, Amalie, Ray, Edith, Isabelle, Teagan, Tilly, Esmee, Charlie, Patrick and Laura. Our **Rockstar Superstars** this week are Mya, Edith and Sophia.

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Roll of Honour

Our Learning Heroes this week: Children who have been working hard towards their goals.

Copeland: Bunni has worked really hard during handwriting and she achieved her goal to write the 'curly caterpillar' letters correctly.

Durrington: Max has worked really hard with his maths and Jack has been listening so well during our English lessons.

Fitzwalter: Noah has been trying his hardest to remain on task and has produced some pleasing work this week.

Quickbury: Teagan has been working really hard on her spellings which has really helped her English work.

Well done children. You are all TERRIFIC!

Birthdays

This week we sang the birthday song to Leo who is going to be 11 years old next week.

Star of the Week

My Stars of the Week are Max and Teddy who have really taken a risk with their learning and have been working so hard in school and at home.

Letters/Parentmail Home:

Temporary changes to school lunches

Dates

Please note these dates are subject to change if necessary.

Friday 16th February: Non-pupil day

Monday 19th-Friday 23rd February: Half term

Thursday 7th March: World Book Day (theme to be confirmed)

Mother's Day service in church

Monday 25th March: Parent consultations 3:30-6:00

Wednesday 27th March: Parent consultations 3:30-6:00

Have a good weekend,

Mrs Lorna Brittain
Headteacher