

Essex County Council

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Dear Parents,

I have been amazed at the resilience of the children this week as they have made the transition into their new year groups. We have had a very calm week in school and it has been good to see the children being absorbed in their work. We are also very aware that the children's mental well-being is just as important as their studies right now and we are building in many lessons on relaxation, mindfulness and reflection into their daily routine.

During Collective Worship this week (via Teams!) the children listened to two stories of resilience (the Bible story of David and Goliath and the Hare and the Tortoise) which helped us to remember about never giving up, always trying our best and helping others.

#### **Face Coverings**

While the government guidance still states that children below age 12 do not need to wear a face covering, as an extra layer of protection against COVID-19, coughs and colds and 'flu, we are still using visors at Sheering school. I have noticed that some children are coming to school with face masks which are not ideal as, if they are too big, the children fiddle with them and touch their faces which can cause people to contract the virus. The visors allow the children and staff to see each others' expressions and can be cleaned easily. If your child is using a mask instead, please make sure that they have more than one because the masks are not effective once they are damp and wherever possible, it should be in school colours.

#### **Reminders**

Thank you for keeping to the time slots for your child's class. It has made the morning drop-offs much smoother and safer for all. Just as a reminder, the times are as follows

**Copeland:** 9:00-2:50pm

**Durrington:** 8:50-3:00pm

**Fitzwalter:** 8:45-3:05pm

**Quickbury:** 8:55-3:10pm

#### **PE days**

**Copeland**-Wednesday

**Durrington**-Tuesday

**Fitzwalter**-Thursday

**Quickbury**-Friday

#### **Achievement from Home and School**

**School:** The following children have all achieved their **Bronze Mathletics** award; Pablo, Lucy, Macy, Alfie D, Elsie-Mae, Max, Mitchell, Edith, Hannah, Freya, Joshua, Sophia, Catherine, Isabella O, Jessica, Lilly, Patrick, Ruby T, Archie and Poppie. Mitchell, Edith, Hannah and Ruby T were presented with their **Silver Mathletics** award. Ruby was also very proud of her **Gold Mathletics** certificate. Our **Super Spellers** this week are Durrington Class with a collective score of 3,104, 763!

#### **Roll of Honour**

**Our Learning Heroes this week:** Children who always remember to say please and thank you.

**Copeland:** Teddy has settled well into school and always remembers to say 'please' and 'thank you' to both the adults and children

**Durrington:** Lilly and Minnie have wonderful manners and always remember to say thank you.

**Fitzwalter:** Abigail is always polite and never forgets to say please or thank you.

**Quickbury:** Ivy is so kind and caring and never has to be reminded to say please or thank you.

Well done children. You are all TERRIFIC!

#### **Birthdays**

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This week we sang the birthday song to Ruby who is 10 years old today and Mrs Creed who be celebrating a big birthday on Sunday.

#### **Learning Hero**

My star of the week is Summer for making Mrs Camp's day by saying thank you to her as she left for the day.

#### **Diary Dates**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October:** Inset day

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup>-Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October:** Half term holiday

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November:** Inset day

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November:** Individual photos

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November:** 'Flu immunisations

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lorna Brittain