



13 MARCH 2026

SCIENCE

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CELEBRATING CURIOSITY: BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK IN ACTION!

This week, we have been celebrating British Science Week! The children had a fantastic time taking part in hands-on experiments, using their scientific skills to predict, test, observe, record, and draw conclusions. They also discovered what it truly means to be a scientist, learning about famous scientists and the incredible impact their discoveries have had on the world. It has been wonderful to see their curiosity and excitement for science in action!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR BOOK FAIR!

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair. Thanks to your generosity, we raised an amazing £551.21! This will be spent on new books to top up our class libraries, helping to give our children even more great stories to enjoy.



KS1 GIRLS' FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Today our Girls' Football Team took part in the Key Stage 1 Girls' Football Tournament at Len Forge. After training sessions on our playground, this was their first outing on a real football pitch. Spectators commented on how the team's confidence grew and grew as the tournament progressed, and there were great celebrations when a goal was scored. While the final standings didn't quite go our way this time, what the team showed in enjoyment, teamwork and true sportspersonship more than made up for it. A fantastic effort from start to finish. Well done Team – we are so proud of you.

KS1 BOYS' FOOTBALL FINAL

At the time of going to press, the Boys' Football Team are taking part in the FINAL of the schools' tournament but the results aren't in yet...check in next week for the outcome.



On Thursday, our Year 2 choir members took part in the Southend Infant Music Festival at Crowstone Church. The festival is a wonderful celebration of music, and it was fantastic to see our children joining in so enthusiastically with the joint songs alongside 3 other local schools. Our choir also performed two individual songs as part of the theme "On the Move", choosing Chitty Chitty Bang Bang and The Locomotion, both of which delighted the large audience of parents. It was wonderful to see our children confidently performing outside of school, and we were extremely proud of their achievements!

OUR CHOIR SHINES AT THE SOUTHEND INFANT MUSIC FESTIVAL!





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READING AT LUNCHTIME

Did you know that children have daily opportunities to look at books and read together at lunchtimes? Alongside all the other playground activities, we also provide quiet areas where children can relax and enjoy books with their friends. Our play team captured this lovely moment during World Book Day last week.

If you are sorting through any picture books or comics at home, please think of us, we would love to give them a new home in school!



ST·MICHAEL'S
WESTCLIFF

EASTER CRAFT
STALLS BY
LOCAL
SELLERS

EASTER EGG
SCAVENGER
HUNT

EASTER FETE

11AM
-3PM

TUES
MARCH
31ST

FACE
PAINTNG

CANDY
FLOSS

BOUNCY
CASTLE



EASTER CAMP



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ACTIVITIES

- Quad Kids – 5–11 years
- Sprints – 5–18 years
- Sprints + Hurdles – 10–18 years
- Middle Distance – 10–18 years
- Throws (all types) – 10–18 years
- Jumps (High Jump / Long Jump) – 10–18 years

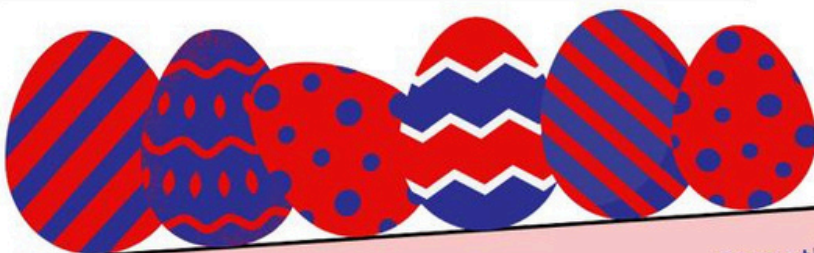
EVENT DATE

2ND APRIL

9.30AM - 3.00PM

9TH & 10TH APRIL

9.30AM - 3.00PM



FOR MORE INFORMATION

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EASTER

Carrie's
Outreach

Aspirations
Program

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Support

breaking the chains of addiction

PARTY

Come along to the Aspirations Fundraising Easter Party, with entertainment from Lil' Reds with bake sale, stalls and games.

SAT 28TH MARCH | £5 PER CHILD



2.30PM - 4.00PM



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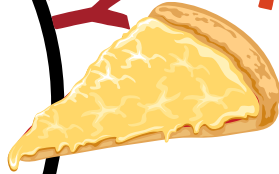
NEW MENU - WEEK 2

WE WILL ALWAYS PROVIDE SUITABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR CHILDREN WITH ALLERGIES

THIS MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

WACKY WEDGE MONDAY

HOMEMADE CHEESE AND
TOMATO PIZZA / VEGE PIZZA
(MK) (G) 9V) (ON A
WHOLEMAEL BASE AND
HIDDEN VEG)
WITH
OVEN BAKED POTATO WEDGES (VG),
AND MIXED VEGETABLE MEDLEY:
GREEN BEANS/SWEETCORN/
CARROTS/PEAS (VG)



TWIRLY PASTA TUESDAY

TRICOLOUR PASTA (G) (VG)
WITH
HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE
(WITH HIDDEN VEG) (CY)
AND GRATED CHEESE (MK),
GARLIC BREAD (G) (MAY CONTAIN MK)
AND
BROCCOLI (VG)

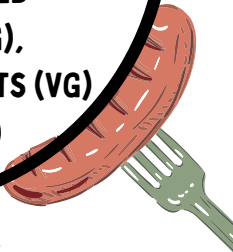


AVAILABLE DAILY WE HAVE:
TORTILLA WRAP WITH A SELECTION OF FILLINGS INCLUDING:
HAM, TUNA (F), HOUMOUS (SS), CHEESE (MK),
VEGAN CHEESE (VG), EGG (E), MAYO (E) (MU)

A COLD SALAD BAR
SWEETCORN, TOMATO, CUCUMBER, CARROT, LETTUCE
WATER AND MILK / A SELECTION OF DESSERTS / A FRUIT BOWL
(ALTERNATIVE PUDDINGS ARE AVAILBLE OCCASSIONALLY)

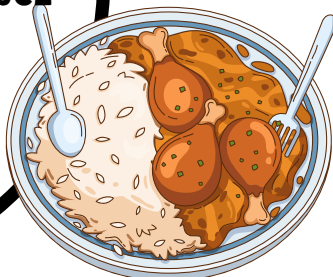
WEDNESDAY FAVOURITES

PORK SAUSAGE TOAD IN THE
HOLE (G) (MK) (E) (S)
OR
MEAT FREE SAUSAGE TOAD IN
THE HOLE (G) (MK) (E) (S) (V)
WITH OVEN ROASTED
POTATOES (VG) (G),
BROCCOLI (VG), CARROTS (VG)
AND GRAVY (VG)



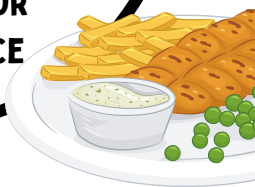
FIREY FEAST FRIDAY

OVEN BAKED BREADED
CHICKEN GOUJON (G) OR
BREADED MEAT FREE GOUJON (G)
WITH
HOMEMADE KATSU CURRY SAUCE
(CCN) (SOYB)(CY)(VG)
AND STEAMED RICE AND
CARROTS (VG)



FINTASTIC THURSDAY

OVEN BAKED
FISH FINGERS (G) (F)
OR
OVEN BAKED VEGE FINGERS (G) (VG)
WITH CHIPS (VG), PEAS
AND SWEETCORN (VG)
AND
KETCHUP (VG) OR
TARTARE SAUCE
(V) (E) (MU)



Stars of the week

NURSERY

Fleur Kennedy



NORTHERN IRELAND

Oliver Cork

WALES

Robin Whitehead

SCOTLAND

Willow Walker

SPAIN

Suzie Bacon

MEXICO

Maleigha Brady

SOUTH AFRICA

Albert Valentine

FINLAND

Liam Preston

VIETNAM

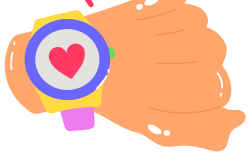
Holly Skeet

BAHAMAS

Oscar Lissamore

Right on time

punctual



Devon McDermott	Zayne Okpara	Isaac Kotze
Freddie	Albie Johnson	Mila-Melody Rowley
Violet Butler	Emma-Maria Manikaite	Emilia Campbell-Carr



Work as a team & follow your dream!

ATTENDANCE

This week - 97.18%

EYFS - 96.44%

Year 1 - 97.89%

Year 2 - 97.22%

Whole School Year To Date - 95.63%



REACH Award

Health

Rabia Bektasoglu





NEXT WEEK'S LEARNING

This page of our Newsletter summarises some the learning your child will access next week. For more detailed information on our curriculum please visit our [website](#).

Nursery

Stories: Rosa's Big Sunflower Experiment

Number songs/Stories: Once I caught a Fish Alive, Flowers in the sun

Other Areas: Next week, our classroom will be blooming as we explore our Plants and Flowers theme!

We'll start our journey as little botanists, planting sunflower seeds and discussing what they will need to grow. To bring the theme to life, our role-play area is turning into a Garden Centre, where children can pretend to shop for their favorite flora.

In our Story Dough sessions, imagination will take center stage as children sculpt "Magic Flowers," complete with their own unique superpowers. We will also be filling our days with seasonal stories and songs that celebrate the natural world. Our school leavers will be diving into rhyming games to boost their phonics skills and getting creative with Number Flowers, a colorful challenge to match physical petals to written numerals.

Phonics: ar (car), or (storm), air (air)

Maths: Next week The children will deepen their understanding of a 'whole' being made up of smaller parts through games and practical experiences, such as investigating the number of ducks on a pond. They will begin to recognise that numbers can be made by combining parts in different ways, and will be encouraged to make links by considering similarities and differences in the various ways of making 7. A key focus will be on partitioning 7 (splitting it into parts) and thinking about the missing part.

Reception

Other Areas: Next week, our Reception explorers will be focusing on Understanding the World through the lens of Spring. Beyond our classroom research using non-fiction books, the children will embark on their next 'Magic of the Seasons' walk to the park. This trip is key for developing observational skills as we compare the budding signs of Spring to the dormant landscape we documented in Winter.

We will also be marking St. Patrick's Day by developing our map-reading skills. The children will learn to locate Ireland and Northern Ireland on a map and explore the cultural significance of how the day is celebrated around the world.

To wrap up a fantastic week, we will be joining the rest of the school on Friday to celebrate Comic Relief!



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Year

1

Phonics: Revisiting and consolidating previously taught special friends and sounds

Maths: Revisiting number facts and place value

Foundation subjects: In Science, we will be looking again at the three main animal diets (carnivore, omnivore and herbivore) and sorting animals into each of these groups using a venn diagram. We will be finding out all about St.Patrick's Day and Northern Ireland in our Geography lesson, and in History we will be learning about Victorian toys and games. Now that we have made our delicious smoothies in DT we will be thinking about what we liked, disliked and want to improve by completing our evaluations. In Music, we will continue to practise our glockenspiel skills and in RE we will be looking at artefacts from the Muslim faith. For PSHE we will be thinking again about our own attributes and what job we would like to do when we are grown up that fits with them. We will of course be performing our year group assembly to you all and taking part in our regular PE lesson and a tennis taster session - what a busy and exciting week we shall all have!

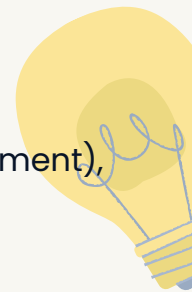
Year

2

Phonics/GPS: Suffix -ment (turns a verb into a noun e.d payment), grapheme -tion (action)

Maths: 2D shapes; identifying sides, vertices and lines of symmetry

Foundation subjects: This week in Science, we will observe our bean plants over time and record the changes we notice. In Art, we will complete our line and shape unit by drawing The Monument using charcoal and adding the finishing touch with gold paint. In Computing, we will create a program using different objects and a range of event types. In Geography, we will identify the human and physical features of a country, focusing on Northern Ireland in the context of St Patrick's Day (17th March). In RE, we will recap what we have learned about sacred books and stories and record our knowledge in a more formal way. Finally, in DT, we will paint our fire trucks and add any extra embellishments, ready for a special visit from a real fire engine on the playground. Firefighters will show us their truck, clothing and equipment and explain how the fire service was different in the 17th century.



WHAT'S GOING ON? *New additions will be in red*

Mon 16 Mar	EYFS National Measurement Programme
Mon 16 Mar	2.15pm Year 1 assembly (parents need only attend one performance)
Tues 17 Mar	9.15am Year 1 assembly (parents need only attend one performance)
Tue 17 Mar	Fire Engine visiting Year 2
Tues 17 Mar	EYFS National Measurement Programme
Wed 18 Mar	Reception Spring walk
Thu 19 Mar	Tennis Taster Day for Year 1 and Year 2
Fri 20 Mar	Comic Relief Charity Day - dress up
Mon 23 Mar	Celebrate World Down Syndrome Day
Tues 24 Mar	Year 1 Beach Trip
Wed 25 Mar	Tower of London Trip - class Finland and Vietnam
Thu 26 Mar	Tower of London Trip - class Bahamas
Fri 27 Mar	Last day at school - Easter holidays
Mon 13 Apr	Back to school
<i>Thu 23 Apr</i>	<i>Choir performing at Catherine Miller Home</i>
Fri 24 Apr	9.00 Celebration assembly - class Scotland
Fri 1 May	9.00 Celebration assembly - class Spain
Mon 4 May	Bank holiday (school closed)
<i>Wed 6 May</i>	<i>Eco Council visiting Langley Lodge</i>
Mon 11 May	Class photos
<i>Fri 15 May</i>	<i>Quad Kids sporting event (invited children only)</i>
Wed 20 May	No Pens Afternoon for Speech and Language UK
<i>Thu 21 May</i>	<i>Reception visiting Chalkwell beach</i>
Thu 21 May	Last day at school - May half term
Fri 22 May	Non-pupil day (school closed to all pupils)
Mon 1 Jun	Back to school
<i>Mon 1 Jun</i>	<i>Year 2 swimming lessons begin (2 weeks)</i>
Fri 12 Jun	9.00 Celebration assembly - class South Africa
Fri 19 Jun	9.00 Celebration assembly - class Mexico
Fri 17 Jul	Last day at school - Summer holidays
Mon 20 Jul	Non-pupil day (school closed to all pupils)

What's new?

For Celebration assembly, you should arrive at 9am via Rockleigh gate.





CONTACT US

If you have a question, query or concern, please get in touch with someone from the list below. Please do not email class teachers directly, they should be contacted via the communication book or by calling the school office. Teachers may be available to chat to at the end of the school day.



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