

# Cann Hall Primary School

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Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

## NSPCC Number Day and Dress Up for Digits Day



The children (and adults) looked great in their Dress Up for Digits outfits today! They had a day of fun maths activities and so far, have raised £120 for the NSPCC – so thank you to everyone for your support.



## NSPCC Rocks Tournament

The competition was fierce today between year groups and classes taking part in NSPCC Rocks Tournament.



We even had groups of children asking to stay in at break

time to continue playing! Don't forget that if the children in Y2-Y6 haven't yet played for their allocated 60 minutes today, they can continue to play at home. Remember it's the accurate answers that count! Mrs Byrne will be sharing overall rating scores, next week.



## Attendance Update

Our average attendance this week is **93.2%**, which means we still need to improve. Please ensure that your children are in school every day so they can keep up with their learning, which will give them the best opportunity to do well in school and make progress.

If your child's attendance falls below 90% you should expect to receive a letter to alert you of this, and when we feel it is necessary, home visits will be arranged. If your child's attendance falls below **96%**, we require evidence to authorise any further absence. You can check your child's current attendance using the My Child at School App.

Lateness does also affect your child's attendance. Please try to ensure that your child arrives at school before the gates close, each morning at **8.40am**.



## Tending Show Programme Competition



A reminder that if your child would like to enter the **Front Cover Competition for the Tendring Show Programme**, this year, the children came home with all the information they need and an entry form, last Friday. If you have not seen this or have misplaced it and your child is interested in entering, please pop into the office, as we have some spare

application forms. All entries should be returned to the school by **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April** so that we can send them off in good time.

## Football Results



Well done to the boys' football team, who played in a very tough match this week, against some high-quality players. The match ended 0-5 to Great Clacton but the team showed great perseverance, resilience and team work right to the final whistle. We are very proud of all the whole team, and we know that the boys' will take what they learnt in this match into future matches and become stronger for it!



## **Parents 1<sup>st</sup> Essex**

Parents 1<sup>st</sup> Essex are looking to recruit volunteers that would be interested in providing one to one support to pregnant mums and supporting peer support sessions.

Volunteers will become part of their community network, receiving initial and ongoing training, regular support and supervision and the future opportunity to complete a recognised qualification in peer support.



There will be further information sessions arranged for potential volunteers to go along and find out more about the opportunities available and discuss whether the opportunity would suit them. On the poster, at the bottom of this letter, there is a QR code attached to register interest if anyone is unable to attend those advertised.



If you are interested, there is also another poster at the bottom of this letter with more information about ACL Free Sessions for Families.

## **Sea Cadets**

The Clacton on Sea Cadet Unit are looking to recruit another cohort in March. Here is more information if your child is interested in joining.



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## **Half Term Activate Programme**



Colchester United Community Foundation are once working with Active Essex to deliver the Activate Programme, this February Half Term! Activate Camps are available FREE of charge, to those families eligible, and fully funded by Active Essex. For more information and to see if you qualify, please see the information below.

### **Upcoming dates for your diary:**

6.2.2023-10.2.2023: Children's Mental Health Week

7.2.2023: Safer Internet Day

11.2.2023-20.2.2023: Half Term

20.2.2023: Non-Pupil Day

1.3.2023: Secondary School Offer Day

2.3.2023: World Book Day

17.3.2023: Comic Relief

1.3.2023: Secondary school offer day

8.3.2023 & 9.3.2023: Learning Conferences

1.4.2023-16.4.2023: Easter Holidays

17.4.2023: National Primary Offer Day

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'S. Crookes'.

Sarah Crookes

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- ▶ **Explain Cost of Living to SEND Child**  
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06/02/2023
  - ▶ **Having Money Conversation with 11+**  
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  - ▶ **Developing your Childs growth Mindset**  
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  - ▶ **Routines Rule**  
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  - ▶ **Cost of living Mighty Meals**  
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  - ▶ **Talking Financial Security Online**  
Online Live  
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  - ▶ **Keeping kids safe on socials**  
Online Live  
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  - ▶ **How to Save Money on your Energy Bill**  
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| <p>▶ <b>Crafts For Mindfulness</b></p> <p>Witham Hub<br/>06/02/2023</p>            | <p>▶ <b>SEND Welcome Drop-In</b></p> <p>Acom Children's Centre<br/>06/02/2023</p>         | <p>▶ <b>Developing Children's Self Esteem</b></p> <p>Billerica Library<br/>06/02/2023</p>   |
| <p>▶ <b>Its Different for Girls – ASD</b></p> <p>ACL Clacton<br/>07/02/2023</p>    | <p>▶ <b>Easy Half term Meals</b></p> <p>Brightlingsea Library<br/>07/02/2023</p>          | <p>▶ <b>Half Term Challenge</b></p> <p>Brightlingsea Library<br/>07/02/2023</p>             |
| <p>▶ <b>Its Different for Girls – ASD</b></p> <p>ACL Colchester<br/>08/02/2023</p> | <p>▶ <b>First Aid for under 2's</b></p> <p>Silver End Childrens Centre<br/>09/02/2023</p> | <p>▶ <b>Family First for under 1's</b></p> <p>Chetwood Children's Centre<br/>09/02/2023</p> |
| <p>▶ <b>Valentines Cards</b></p> <p>Laindon Library<br/>09/02/2023</p>             | <p>▶ <b>Storytime, Sing Along &amp; Messy Play</b></p> <p>ACL Maldon<br/>10/02/2023</p>   | <p>▶ <b>Family First Aid 1-4yr Olds</b></p> <p>ACL Maldon<br/>10/02/2023</p>                |



Please visit our website to find out more and enrol.

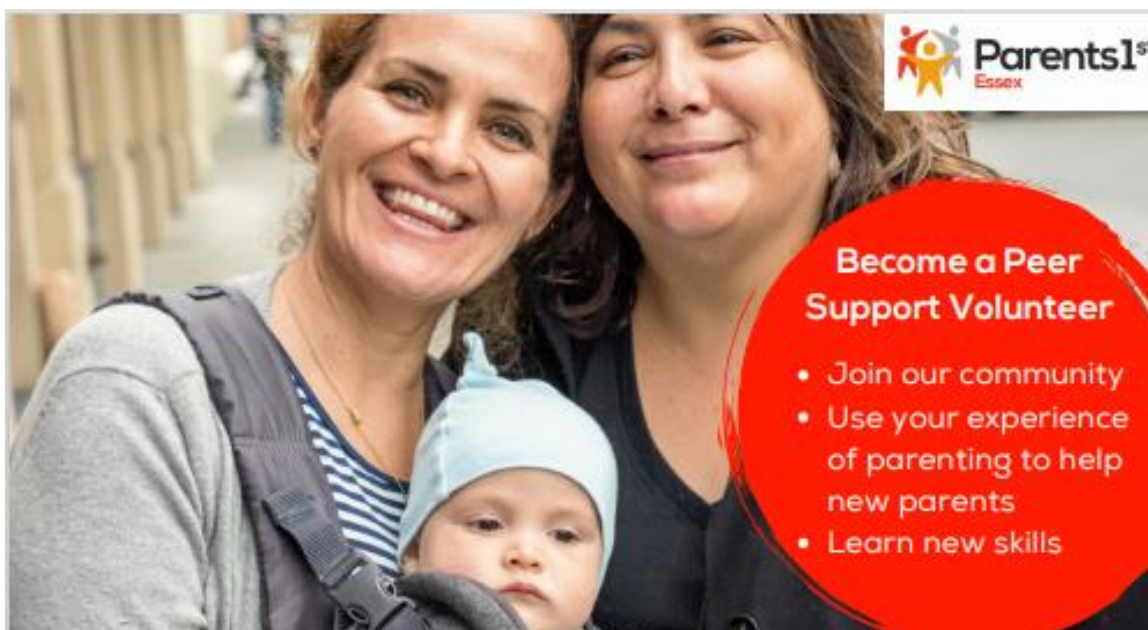


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### Become a Peer Support Volunteer

- Join our community
- Use your experience of parenting to help new parents
- Learn new skills

## Make a difference of a lifetime to parents in North Essex - Join our community of incredible volunteers

Could you be the person to change someone's pregnancy for the better? Finding out you're having a baby can be an anxious and worrying time for parents to be. Through the support of the community, we help expectant mums to have a positive experience through their pregnancy journey, birth and the baby's first few months. Our volunteers provide a listening ear, look at goals to achieving a healthy pregnancy, attend appointments and some even support during the birth. Other volunteers set up peer support groups and promote the service in local places.

Pregnancy Pals and Birth buddies are parents, grandparents or those with relevant experience. They receive training to offer friendly support and encouragement to parents who may feel depressed, anxious, isolated or find it hard to access services. Most of all, they listen and don't judge. Could you make a difference of a lifetime to parents in North Essex?

## Pop along for a coffee and a chat with Emma to find out more



Clacton, 6th Feb, 11am - 12.30pm

Morrisons - Little Clacton Café/Community room  
Centenary Way, Little Clacton, Clacton-on-Sea,  
CO16 9SB

Jaywick, 9th Feb, 12pm - 1.30pm

Jaywick Community Resource Centre, Brooklands  
Gardens, Jaywick, CO15 2JP

Register your interest to volunteer by  
contacting Emma or scanning the QR code

Call: 07442 400382 / 01268 525758

Email: [emmas@parents1st.org.uk](mailto:emmas@parents1st.org.uk)



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The following venues will be hosting Activate Camps during February Half Term (WC 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023):

1. **Shrub End Community Centre, Colchester, CO2 9BG** – [CLICK HERE FOR MAP](#)
2. **Colchester Academy School, CO4 3JL** – [CLICK HERE FOR MAP](#)
3. **Maldon & Tiptree FC, Maldon, CM9 5JQ** – [CLICK HERE FOR MAP](#)

We strongly suggest families book sooner rather than later!

Throughout each day on camp, children will participate in sport and enrichment activities.

Children attending via the **FREE SCHOOL MEALS** initiative will also receive lunch and a snack.

**IMPORTANT BOOKING INFORMATION – PLEASE READ BEFORE BOOKING ANY BELOW COURSE**

- If booking our ActivAte Children Entitled to Free School Meals link for February Half Term, please note that lunch is provided. We ask that you self- verify your child is entitled to free school meals within the registration questions when booking. Wonde codes will not be required during Half- Terms.
- If booking our ActivAte low- income families link for February Half Term, please be aware that we do not provide a meal for your child. If you would like us to provide a meal at a cost of £3.00 per day/ per child, then please email [cucf@colchesterunited.net](mailto:cucf@colchesterunited.net) by Wednesday 8th February. We will then invoice you for the meals requested.
- Polite reminder: Please specify all medical and dietary details within the medical section, we use this to ensure your child has the correct care/ food requirements.

**Please note- if you are unsure if you would be entitled to sign-up through our Free School Meals link, please see the description online which outlines the eligibility criteria.**

**Shrub End- Low-Income** – [CLICK HERE TO BOOK](#)

**Dates:** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> & Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Time:** 10am- 2pm

**Age Group:** 4- 11 years old

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**Colchester Academy- Low- Income** – [CLICK HERE TO BOOK](#)

**Dates:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> & Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Time:** 9am- 1pm

**Age Group:** 4- 11 years old

**Colchester Academy – Free School Meals** – [CLICK HERE TO BOOK](#)