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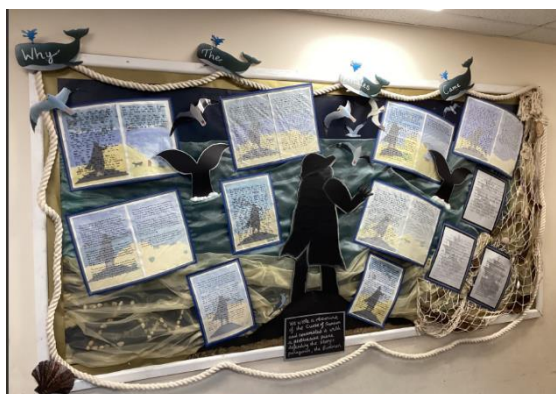


Friday 9th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

New Displays

The staff have been busy displaying all the children's published work around the school this week, in these wonderful displays.



Year 3 Trip to Colchester Castle

Year 3 had a fantastic day at Colchester Castle today. The children dressed as Romans, built a Roman villa, and learnt all about the Romans in Colchester, during their talk in the remains of the Temple of Claudius, which is beneath Colchester Castle. The children also enjoyed looking at the collections of Roman artefacts and even tried out chariot racing!



Congratulations

... to Mrs Spall, who has recently qualified as a National Educational Leader in Mental Health.

This is an incredible accolade both for Mrs Spall and our school. We are passionate about supporting mental health and have a number of mental health programmes running in the school in order to support the children and their families, and our staff.



Nominate Our School and Win National Book Tokens



The School Library Association are giving five schools £1,000 of National Book Tokens each to help them rebuild their range of books and encourage reading for pleasure now and for generations to come. Plus, one overall winning school will also receive a £500 cash prize to rejuvenate their physical library space and make it a welcoming environment for all. Information for how parents and children can apply for our school can be found here: www.nationalbooktokens.com

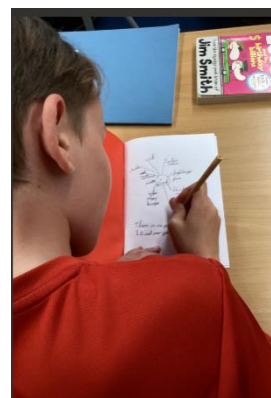
Poetry Project



At the end of last term, Year 5 and Year 6 took part in The Hear My Voice Schools Poetry Project, with Essex Book Festival. 2023 marks the 70th anniversary of The Great Flood so the project explored the topics of climate change and flooding with a strong focus on how the communities can work together to overcome the threat of rising waters.



Some of the poems written were part of an exhibition in the Harwich Museum at the beginning of June. The exhibition is due to travel to Cressing Temple Barns, where it will be displayed in the Earthlings Tent as part of a one-day Midsummer Madness Day for families and young people on Sunday 25th June. Why not join the fun!



Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

The children in Year 4 will be completing their official multiplication checks next week. They have amazed us with the amount of progress they have made with their accuracy and recall speed since the beginning of the year. Below is the link again if you want to remind yourselves about this check. We know the children are all going to make us extremely proud by just trying their very best.

[Information for parents: multiplication tables check \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)

Upcoming PTA Events



Another reminder that there are lots of PTA events coming up this half term.

There will be a pop-up shop for Father's Day, refreshments, and competitions at the fun run and the Summer Fete. For dates and times, please see the end of this letter. You can also follow the PTA on Facebook ([Friends of Cann Hall PTA](#)).

Wyvernwood Discount Voucher

A 15% discount code for Wyvernwood can be found at the bottom of this letter, if you were thinking of booking a visit over the next few weeks.



Job Opportunity



Essex Highways are currently recruiting more cycling instructors so that they can increase availability for training and to make it possible for them to offer courses to all schools. Here is the link to the job advert if anyone might be interested in the role.

<https://www.workingforessex.com/apply/cycle-training-instructor-12841?source=workingforessex.com>

Year 6 Fundraising

The Year 6 children and parents will be starting their annual fundraising activities this half term, in support of their leavers' Party. We hope you can support these events in some way so that we can give our amazing Year 6 children a fitting send off!

The following events are planned:

8th-23rd June

Year 6 Penny Wars (Y6 pupils only)

15th June 3pm

Cake Sale (playground behind Y6 block)

22nd June 3pm

Children's Bric-a-Brac Sale (playground behind Y6 block)

30th June 12- 3pm

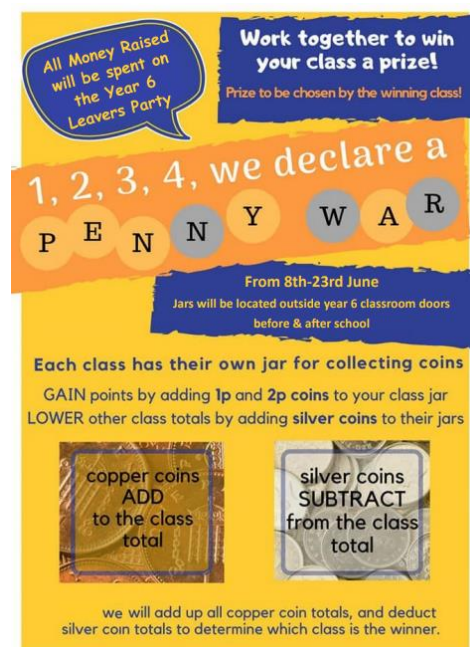
Ice poles sold by Year 6 at the Fun Run (50p) and soak the teacher at 3pm (2 sponges for £1 or 1 bucket for £5)

There will also be a **Raffle** (50p a ticket) giving you the chance to win these fantastic prizes:

1st Prize HP Probook Laptop

2nd Prize 4 tickets to Wyvernwood

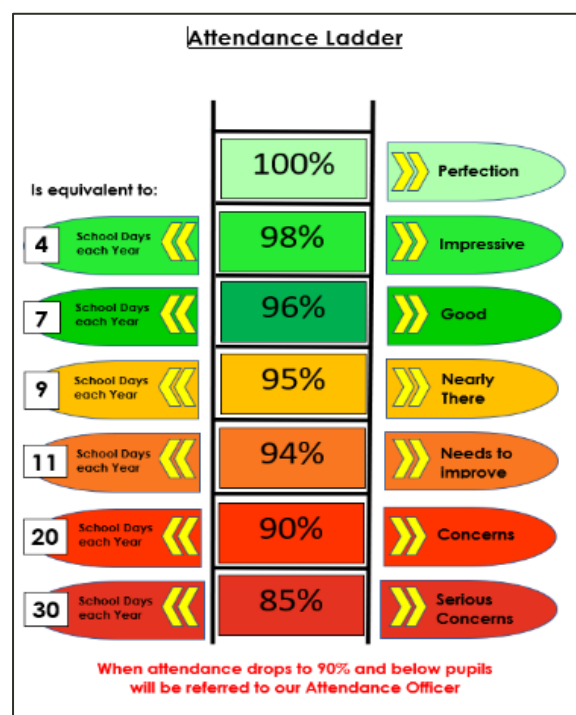
3rd Prize M&S Sweet Hamper



A sheet of tickets will be sent home with every child. Please try and sell these to your friends and family, more tickets will be available from 6L, 6S or the office and will also be sold at all the events.

Please return the sold raffle tickets in an envelope with correct money labelled 'Year 6 raffle', to either your class teacher or the school office.

Attendance Update



Our average attendance this week is **92.8%**!

If your child's attendance falls below 90%, you will receive a letter to alert you of this and when we feel it is necessary, home visits will also be arranged. If your child's attendance falls below **96%**, we will require evidence to authorise any further absence. Holidays will not be authorised.

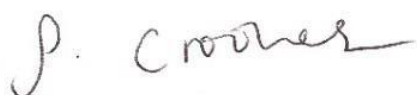
Lateness also affects your child's attendance so please try to ensure that your child arrives at school before the gates close, each morning at **8.40am**. You can check your child's current attendance using the 'My Child at School App'.

If your child is unable to attend school, please ensure you call or email the school on the morning of **every day** they are absent.

Upcoming dates for your diary:

5.6.2023 – 23.6.2023: Y4 Multiplication Check
12.6.2023: Year 1 and Year 2 Phonics Check
16.6.2023 PTA Fathers' Day Pop Up Shop
16.6.2023: Class Photographs
26.6.2023 Sports Week (Sponsored Family Fun Run on the 30th June)
30.6.2023: 11+ Registration closes
3.7.2023: Green Day (Everyone to wear green)
3.7.2023: Y6 Dress rehearsal to grandparents (9.30am)
3.7.2023: Y6 Early performance to parents/carers (3.30pm)
4.7.2023: Y6 Late performance to parents/carers (6.30pm)
5.7.2023: Open evening 3.30-5.30pm, then EYFS new parent meeting at 5pm
6.7.2023: Year 6 transition CCHS & CCA
10.7.2023-14.7.2023: Year 6 Residential to Mersea Outdoors
18.7.2023, 16.00 to 18.00: Year 6 Party
19.7.2023 @10.00: Year 6 Leavers Assembly
20 & 21.7.2023: Non-Pupil Days

Kindest regards,



Sarah Crookes

