

# Cann Hall Primary School

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Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

## **Year 6 SATs Success**

We would like to say a huge well done to all our **Year 6** children who completed their SATs this week. They have shown incredible determination, resilience and maturity throughout and we are extremely proud of every one of them.



The children approached the week with such a positive attitude and gave their very best effort - something they should all feel very proud of. They have been a credit to both themselves and the school.

We hope they enjoy their well-deserved treat, on Monday, of a trip to the cinema as a celebration of all their hard work. Well done, Year 6! 🌟

## **Year 4 National Multiplication Tables Check**

We would like to also remind you that the **Year 4 National Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)** will be taking place, week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> June.



This is an opportunity for children to demonstrate their fluency and confidence in recalling multiplication facts up to  $12 \times 12$ . The check is completed online in a calm and supportive environment, and the children have been preparing well in school.

Please continue to support your child at home, by encouraging them to log onto TT Rockstars every day to help them secure their recall of these important facts. Accuracy is key, at this point, rather than speed.

If you want further information, go to [Multiplication tables check: information for parents](#)  
Or speak to the class teacher.



In Maths, 4A took part in a scavenger hunt around the field to find and solve times table facts. This helped the children practise their recall as they prepare for the upcoming Multiplication Tables Check, after half term.

## Y1 Phonics Check



A reminder that **Year 1** pupils will be completing their National Phonics Screening Check starting on 8th June (and a few of the year 2 children). The children have been doing lots of practising and have been working very hard all year to ensure they know their sounds and can recognise them within words to support their reading. Thank you to all those of you who have been supporting your child with their reading and phonics at home. Any questions about the check, please speak to the class teacher or for more

information about the check, go to [Phonics screening check: information for parents - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/phonics-screening-check-information-for-parents)

## Walk to School Week 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

### What is Walk to School Week?

Walk to School Week is a national event which encourages adults and children to leave the car at home and take the chance to go outside and get fit by walking to school.



According to campaigners [Living Streets](#): 'A generation ago, 70% of us walked to school - now it's less than half.' Walking to school is a good idea for all sorts of reasons... so why do so many pupils arrive by transport... and what can be done to encourage safe walking?

There are many health and environmental reasons to walk to school such as: it is good exercise, it helps to keep us fit and healthy, children can concentrate better in school, it has a positive effect on mental health, there will be fewer cars on the roads and therefore less pollution and greenhouse gases.

So at Cann Hall we are going to be encouraging children to walk to school for the week. There will be a whole school assembly on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May to start the week and in each classroom, there will be a Walking to School chart for children to tick off the days they have walked, cycled or scootered to school.

We hope that more children will take this opportunity to have a go at walking to school.

### Learning

In science, **Year 1** have investigated the parts of a plant. They carefully took roses apart and labelled the parts they could see.





**3M** have been working together to do some problem solving involving fractions in maths.

### Attendance Update

**Our overall attendance remained at 95%, this week. Year 1 have taken top spot, this week, with an attendance of 96.5%. Year 3 were a close second with an attendance of 96.3%.**

**A special mention to 3RW, who have an attendance of 97.5% - Wow!**

If your child is unable to attend school, please remember to let us know as soon as possible, by contacting the school on the morning of every day of their absence. Home visits will continue to be carried out, if a child has been absent for three days.

Thank you to those of you who ensure that your child is in school every day, when they are well enough to do so.

### Celebration certificates

The role models, receiving certificates in our celebration assembly today were:

**Year 1:** Adrian & Nala

**Year 2:** Emily & Noah

**Year 4:** Henry & Paisley

**Year 3:** Leah & Albie

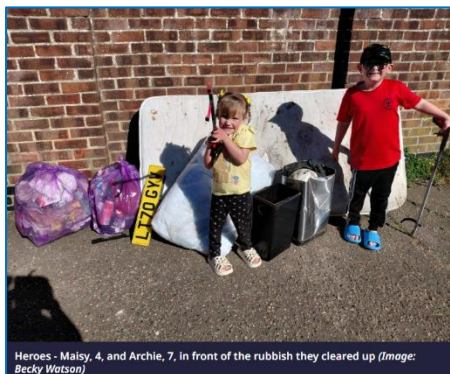
**Year 5:** Albie and Ella



**Year 6:**

Again, the whole year group deserve a mention, for their positivity and resilience.  
We are all extremely proud of the way you coped with your SATs this week.

### A good deed!



**Archie**, his sister and his mum walked around the streets of the Bluehouse ward with litter pickers and bin bags to clear up as much rubbish as possible as Archie was worried about the animals getting sick.  
What a fantastic thing to do for the community. If you would like to read the article that was published in the Gazette, follow the link.

[https://www.clactonandfringtongazette.co.uk/news/26075772.clacton-siblings-aged-7-4-litter-pick-around-town/?utm\\_term=Autofeed&utm\\_medium=Social&utm\\_source=Facebook&fbclid=IwZnRzaARt2k1leHRuA2FlbQlxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZAo2NjI4NTY4Mzc5AAEecfryRCF65ZK1-alC4v9iQwwr2DPvwyD0mrTzByGMDpPXcRMBpxrbd0ftyEM\\_aem\\_xHA0BgKDKMaCL5aRbYnTQ#Echobox=1778343153](https://www.clactonandfringtongazette.co.uk/news/26075772.clacton-siblings-aged-7-4-litter-pick-around-town/?utm_term=Autofeed&utm_medium=Social&utm_source=Facebook&fbclid=IwZnRzaARt2k1leHRuA2FlbQlxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZAo2NjI4NTY4Mzc5AAEecfryRCF65ZK1-alC4v9iQwwr2DPvwyD0mrTzByGMDpPXcRMBpxrbd0ftyEM_aem_xHA0BgKDKMaCL5aRbYnTQ#Echobox=1778343153)

### Congratulations

Lila, in Year 2, attended Phase 1 of the Colchester United Girls Talent Pathway trials on Monday 23rd March, where she was then selected to progress to Phase 2, which involved 4 weeks of training with the Under 8s Development Squad.

This week, she found out that she has successfully secured a place in the team! What a fantastic achievement – we are all very proud of Lila and look forward to hearing how she gets on.



### School Census Day **Reminder** – Thursday 21st May



Our next census day takes place on **Thursday 21st May** and we will be serving the ever-popular all day breakfast menu.  
We kindly encourage as many children as possible to choose a school meal on this day, as pupil meal numbers play an important role in how school funding is allocated. Thank you for your continued support. Remember that EYFS and KS1 are entitled to a free meal every day.

### **This Week's Additional Information**

At the end of this letter, this week, you will find information about sessions being run Colchester United Community foundation half term activities, free courses for parents and our Spring/Summer dinner menus (we will be back to Week 3 next week, although Thursday will be the census day lunch).

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

15.06.26: Father's Day Pop-Up Shop  
22.05.26: Last day of term (Half Term Holiday)  
01.06.26: Children return to school  
05.07.26: Year 6 Residential (5-8 July)  
10.07.26: Summer Fair (weather permitting)  
16:07.26: Last day of term (Summer Holiday)  
17.07.26: INSET DAY (school closed to children)  
20.07.26: INSET DAY (school closed to children)

From the whole Cann Hall team, have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards



Wendy Byrne

Dear Parents, Guardians & Players,

We hope this email finds you well.



We would be delighted if your son or daughter would like to join us for our FREE Activate Camps during the Whitsun half-term.

### **Colchester United May Camps!**

We are excited to announce that we will be offering FREE ActivAte Camps during the May half-term to Primary school children. These camps will take place in Colchester, Maldon & Clacton.

📍 **Shrub End Community & Sports Centre, Boadicea Way, Colchester, CO2 9BG**

📍 **Colchester Academy, Hawthorn Avenue, Colchester, CO4 3JL**

📍 **All Saints Primary School, Highlands Drive, Maldon, CM9 6HY**

📍 **St Clares Primary School, Cloe's Lane, Clacton-on-Sea, CO16 8EG**

The camps are open to children on Free School Meals and families with low income.

We've lined up a variety of fun activities for all participants to enjoy, giving children the chance to stay active and entertained this half-term!!


### **What's Included in Our Activate Camps:**

- Gifts and prizes to be awarded
- High-quality, safe facilities and equipment
- Possible appearances from Colchester United 1st team players or our club mascot, 'Eddie The Eagle'
- Special activities provided by external providers to enrich the camp experience

Camp Information:

**Shrub End Community & Sports Centre, Boadicea Way, CO2 9BG – PRIMARY – FOOTBALL CAMP**

 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

 Time: 9:30am – 4:30pm




**COMMUNITY  
FOUNDATION**

Free School Meals & Low- Income Booking Link : [CLICK HERE](#)

Inclusive U's (specifically designed for children with SEN) Booking Link: [CLICK HERE](#)

**Colchester Academy School, Hawthorn Ave, Colchester CO4 3JL– PRIMARY – FOOTBALL CAMP**

 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

 Time: 9:30am – 1:30pm

Free School Meals & Low- Income Booking Link : [CLICK HERE](#)

**All Saints Primary School, Highlands Drive, Maldon, CM9 6HY– PRIMARY – FOOTBALL CAMP**


 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

 Time: 9:30am – 3:00pm

Free School Meals & Low- Income Booking Link : [CLICK HERE](#)

**St Clares Primary School, Cloe's Lane, Clacton – on – Sea, CO16 8EG – FOOTBALL CAMP**

 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

 Time: 9:30am – 3:00pm

Free School Meals & Low- Income Booking Link : [CLICK HERE](#)

**PLEASE NOTE: When you register your child, you will be asked to complete a survey to indicate whether you are in receipt of Free School Meals or a Low-Income Family. This information is required for Active Essex to monitor.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to email [Cucf@colchesterunited.net](mailto:Cucf@colchesterunited.net)

Regards,  
Colchester United Community Foundation

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# FREE MOVING UP WEBINARS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

of primary aged children

Provided by your Mental Health Support Team

@EssexMHST\_and\_SETcamhs

[bit.ly/3MaR1wJ](https://bit.ly/3MaR1wJ)



## Moving Up from Infants to Juniors

17<sup>th</sup> June 10 am and 7 pm

## Moving Up from Primary to Secondary

24<sup>th</sup> June 10 am and 7 pm



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## Understanding Behaviour and Supporting Emotional Wellbeing: Course for Parents



### Introduction

In Essex, the Trauma Perceptive Practice (TPP) approach is helping schools/settings to better understand behaviour and support emotional wellbeing for all children and young people.

### Values and Mindset

Through this training, we aim to promote:

|                             |                            |                             |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Compassion & Kindness       | Hope                       | Connection & Belonging      |
| ...instead of Shame & Blame | ...instead of Hopelessness | ...instead of Disconnection |

### Course Details

Venue: White Hall Academy Training Room  
 Duration: 6 weeks  
 Dates: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026 (after half term break)  
 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
 Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026  
 Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
 Time: 9.30am-11.30am  
 Facilitators: Ms Watts and Mrs Davis

If you would like to book a place on this course – please book via the booking link (link is also available on the school website)  
 If you have any difficulty booking, please contact Suzy Watts or Tracy Davis at

**White Hall Academy, Melbourne Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 3SP**  
 email: [admin@whitehallacademy.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@whitehallacademy.essex.sch.uk)

Booking link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rqhnVjY-bkmsUYihtBXSrp8TtOc15hIhtQLVoghmxyvBUMkwwVWINNUhYQldVMJZNIzEODhOUU9XTC4u>



|   |          | MONDAY   | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   |
|---|----------|--|--|---|--|--|
| HOT DISHES  | OPTION 1 | Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges                 | Beef Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta                       | Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy                   | Pork Sausage Bites with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy          | Battered Pollock with Chips                                |
|   | OPTION 2 | BBQ Vegetable Wrap with Wholegrain Rice                    | Vegetarian Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta                 | Bean and Cheese Pastry Turnover with Roast Potatoes and Gravy | Macaroni Cheese  | Quorn Dippers with Chips                                   |
|   | OPTION 3 | Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta | Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta | Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta    | Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta | Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta |
| HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD |          |  |  |   |  |  |
| DELI DISHES   | OPTION 4 | Cheese and Tomato Roll                                     | Tuna and Cheese Baguette                                   | Roast Chicken Wrap  | Cheese and Tomato Roll                                     | Tuna and Cheese Wrap                                       |
|   | OPTION 5 | Egg Mayonnaise Roll  | Ham Baguette   | Cheese, Carrot and Apple Slaw Wrap                            | Tuna and Mayo Roll   | Cream Cheese and Cucumber Wrap                             |
| DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD                           |          |  |  |   |  |  |
| DESSERT   |          | Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice                           | Oat Cookie   | Strawberry Shortcake Mousse                                   | Apple Crumble with Custard                                 | Chocolate Ice Cream  |

**BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY** With a choice of toppings  
**AVAILABLE DAILY** Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

Vegetarian Vegan Oily Fish Fruity! Wholegrain Nutritionist's Choice

Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.

## SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

# WEEK 2

W.C: 20/04/2026, 11/05/2026, 01/06/2026, 22/06/2026, 13/07/2026, 03/08/2026, 24/08/2026, 14/09/2026, 06/10/2026

|                    | MONDAY   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY                                   | THURSDAY                                      | FRIDAY   |                                |
|--------------------|--|---|---|---|--|--------------------------------|
| <b>HOT DISHES</b>  | <b>OPTION 1</b>  | Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 🍷    | Beef Burger with Potato Wedges              | Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy    | Tandoori Chicken with Wholegrain Rice and Chota Naan Bread 🍷 | Fish Fingers with Chips        |
|                    | <b>OPTION 2</b>  | OR  | OR  | OR  | OR   | OR                             |
|                    | <b>OPTION 3</b>  | Tex Mex Vegetable Fajita with Wholegrain Rice 🍷 | Beany Vegetable Burger with Potato Wedges 🍷 | Roast BBQ Quorn with Roast Potatoes and Gravy | Macaroni Cheese 🍷  | Quorn Dipper Wrap with Chips 🍷 |
|                    | <b>HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD</b> |   |   |   |  |                                |
| <b>DELI DISHES</b> | <b>OPTION 4</b>  | Cheese and Tomato Roll                          | Tuna and Cheese Wrap                        | Roast Gammon Baguette                         | Cheese and Tomato Wrap                                       | Cheese Roll                    |
|                    | <b>OPTION 5</b>  | OR  | OR  | OR  | OR   | OR                             |
|                    | <b>DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD</b>                           |   |   |   |  |                                |
| <b>DESSERT</b>     | Apple and Golden Syrup Sponge with Custard 🍷                             | Chocolate Slice                                 | Caramel Mousse                              | Ginger Biscuit with Melon Wedges 🍷            | Strawberry Ice Cream   |                                |

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# WEEK 3

W.C: 27/04/2026, 18/05/2026, 08/06/2026, 29/06/2026, 20/07/2026, 10/08/2026, 31/08/2026, 21/09/2026, 12/10/2026

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| <b>HOT DISHES</b>  | <b>OPTION 1</b>  | Cheese and Tomato Pizza with BBQ Potato Wedges 🍷 | Herby Tomato Chicken with Wholewheat Pasta 🍷 | Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍷 | All Day Breakfast with Potato Wedges  | Southern Fried Chicken with Chips |
|                    | <b>OPTION 2</b>  | OR   | OR   | OR  | OR                                    | OR                                |
|                    | <b>OPTION 3</b>  | Veggie Pizza with Wedges 🍷                       | Cheesy Bean Burrito with Wholegrain Rice 🍷   | Vegetarian Cottage Pie with Gravy 🍷           | Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread 🍷 | Veggie Fingers with Chips 🍷       |
|                    | <b>HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD</b> |  |  |   |                                       |                                   |
| <b>DELI DISHES</b> | <b>OPTION 4</b>  | Cheese and Tomato Wrap                           | Cheese Roll                                  | Roast Chicken Wrap                            | Cheese Roll                           | Cheese and Tomato Baguette        |
|                    | <b>OPTION 5</b>  | OR   | OR   | OR  | OR                                    | OR                                |
|                    | <b>DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD</b>                           |  |  |   |                                       |                                   |
| <b>DESSERT</b>     | Custard Shortbread with Melon Wedges 🍷                                   | Orange Glazed Sticky Sponge Cake with Custard 🍷  | Chocolate Mousse                             | Raspberry Jelly 🍷                             | Mango Frozen Yoghurt                  |                                   |

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