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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 2 Fire Station Visit from last week.

Last week, **Year 2** were lucky enough to visit Clacton Fire Station. They had talks about fire safety, saw the equipment on a fire engine, learned about thermal cameras and even got to use the hose! They will apply what they have learned when comparing the modern fire service to the original fire service formed after the Great Fire of London.

Y2 St Osyth Visit

Year 2 also had a fantastic visit to St Osyth Priory this week, where they immersed themselves in history and nature. The children learned about the fascinating story of St Osyth and explored the beautiful grounds on an exciting tractor ride.

Throughout the day, they took part in a range of hands-on activities, including creating their own natural art and going on scavenger hunts to identify different plants and investigate a variety of smells. One of the highlights was making medicinal pomanders using natural, locally sourced ingredients, giving the children a glimpse into traditional remedies.

It was a wonderful opportunity for outdoor learning. The Priory staff commented on how brilliantly the children represented school.

Thank you to all those volunteers who gave up their time to ensure that both trips were able to go ahead and were so successful.

Well Done, Year 1 and Year 4!

A huge well done to all of our **Year 1** children who have been completing their Phonics Screening Check this week. We are so proud of the confidence, determination and enthusiasm they have shown throughout. They have all worked incredibly hard and should be very proud of themselves.

Well done also to our **Year 4** pupils who have been taking part in the Multiplication Tables Check. The children have shown great perseverance and have worked hard to develop their recall of times tables throughout the year.

We would also like to say a big thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support at home. Practising reading, phonics and times tables regularly makes such a positive difference and helps the children to achieve their very best. Your encouragement and support are greatly appreciated.

Father's Day Pop Up Shop - Reminder

As in previous years, the PTA will be running a Father's day pop up shop on **Monday 15th June**. If your child would like to purchase a gift for a special person in their lives, they can bring in up to £5 in a named envelope. It is really helpful if siblings can being their money separeatly as they visit the shop at different times.

Summer Fair - Reminder

The PTA will be running their annual Summer Fair (weather permitting) on **Friday 10th July**.

As usual you will be able to collect your children at **2pm** on this day, so they have plenty of time to visit the fair. If you are unable to collect your child, at the earlier time, we will of course look after them until 3.10pm.

Please let your child's class teacher know, in advance, if your child will be collected by someone else, or you want them to leave on their own, at this time, as they will not be able to release them otherwise, for safeguarding purposes.

If you would be interested in helping at this year's fete, please email the PTA on friendsofcannhallpta@gmail.com (Apologies – the email in last weeks newsletter was the old one)

A plea for teddy bears!

These can be placed in the tub under the bike shelter at the front of the school.

Non-Uniform Day/Crazy Hair Day - Reminder

To help the PTA with donations for the Fair, we will be having a non-uniform/crazy hair day on **Friday 3rd July.** Please see the poster as to what items the PTA would like donated, in return for the children being able to take part in this day.

Lego

Thank you to our **wonderful PTA** for providing new Lego sets, which will be used in our Lego therapy sessions across the school.

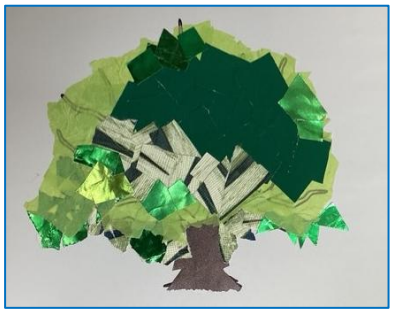
Learning

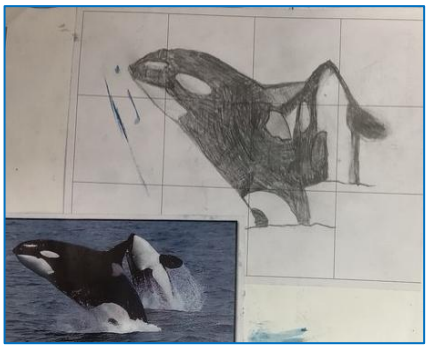
EYFS had their first dance lesson with the visiting dance coach. They started the session with a warm up, stretching their muscles and getting our bodies moving. Once warmed up, they played some games and then started to learn some of the moves for a dance routine to the song Revolting Children.

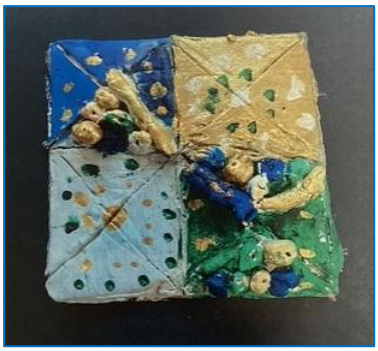
In P.E, Year 4 have been practising their throwing and batting skills for rounders.

Art assembly

This week Mrs Burgess led an art assembly to celebrate the fantastic artwork that has been taking place over the year. We were very proud of the children who came up to speak about their work - it isn't easy speaking to such a large crowd of people, so well done!







Sports Day - Reminder

As mentioned last week, we are pleased to confirm that we will be able to run our sports days, this year. A separate letter has been sent out with the details but here is a reminder of the timings:

Wednesday 1st July
Year 2 sports event will take place at 8.45am – 10.15am
Year 1 sports event will take place at 10.15 – 11.45am
EYFS sports event will take place at 1.45pm

Thursday 2nd July
Year 3 sports event will take place at 8.50am – 10.05am
Year 4 sports event will take place at 10.10am – 11.25am
Year 5 sports event will take place at 11.30 – 12.45pm
Year 6 sports event will take place at 12.50pm – 2.05pm

Parent survey for school meals feedback - reminder

Our catering provider is keen to hear your views on our school meals so they can continue to improve and make any necessary changes. They would greatly appreciate it if you could spare a few minutes to complete a short survey using the link below, if you haven't already. The survey link has also been shared via Bromcom.

Thank you in advance for your feedback.

Parent Questionnaire - School Dinners – Fill out form

You said, we listened

Parent Workshops – We Value Your Feedback

Following the parent survey we shared recently, many of you expressed an interest in having a wider range of parent workshops, along with more flexible timings.
We are pleased to take this feedback on board and would now like to gather further information to help us plan effectively. In particular, we would love to hear your thoughts on:

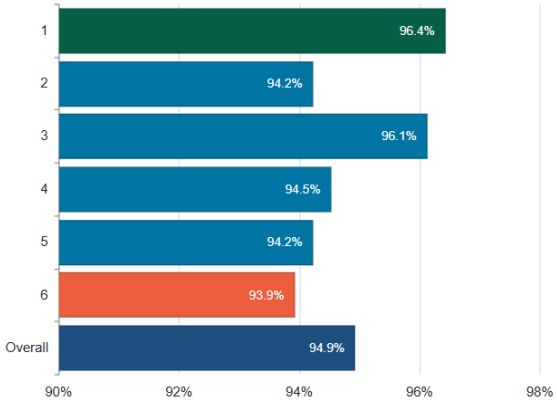
- The types of workshops you would find most useful
- The days and times that would work best for you

If you would like to share your ideas, please email Mr Smith at msmith@compassps.uk
who will be collating all responses to help shape our future provision.

Thank you for your continued support.

Attendance Update

Unfortunately, our attendance has remained at **94.9%.** this week, after sitting at 95%+ all year.



Even though we are approaching the end of the year, it is still so important for your child to be in school every day, when they are well enough to do so. There is so much learning, still to cover and this term is jam-packed with exciting events, that your child will not want to miss out on. If you are having an issue regarding your child's attendance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Please remember to let us know as soon as possible, if you child is unable to attend school 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.

Year 6 Leavers' Party

It's that time of the year again, when the Year 6 children start planning their leavers' party. The famous Penny Wars has already started the Year 6 parents will be selling ice pops outside the Year 6 block, after school, to raise funds for the party in the run up to the party.

On **Fridays** they will also do 'Guess number of sweets in a jar' and 'Guess name of teddy.'

On **Tuesday 23rd** June there will be a cake sale and soak the teacher outside the Year 6 block, straight after school.

On **Tuesday 30th** June there will be a bric a brac sale outside year 6 block straight after school. All welcome.

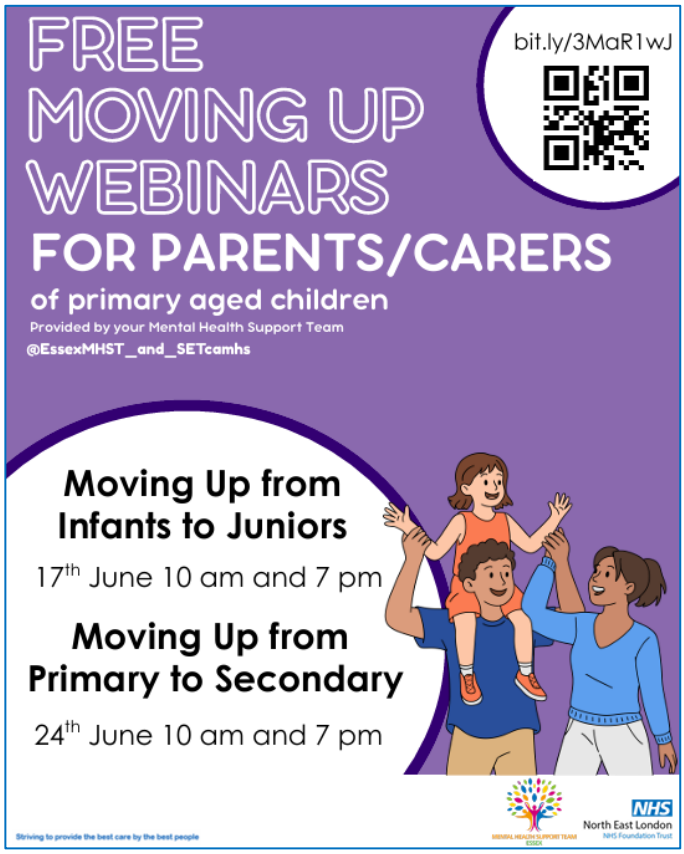
If you would like to donate or would be able to help in any way towards ensuring the children have a fantastic 'send off' please speak to Mr AB or Mrs Levy.

Congratulations

Amari in Year 1, competed in the Pipers Vale Pearls Gymnastics Competition in Ipswich on the 6th of June and achieved an outstanding result, finishing 2nd Overall out of 30 gymnasts, in the Novice Age 7 category. She also placed 1st on Beam and 3rd on Floor.

What makes this achievement even more special is that Amari had been unwell and missed almost two months of training leading up to the competition. Despite this setback, she showed remarkable determination, resilience and dedication to return to gymnastics and perform so well.

Well done Amari for accomplishing such a great achievement.



Transition Worries

It is getting to that time of the year, when children and parents start thinking more about how everyone is going to cope with the change of year group, teachers, classrooms, schools.

The Mental Health Support Team have planned some fantastic webinars for parents and carers to hopefully, offer some help with this transition.

Celebration certificates

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

Year 1: Everyone!
Year 2: Nyla & Albert
Year 3: DNA – Ancient Egypt Day
Year 4: Everyone!
Year 5: Rachel & Freddie
Year 6: Harleigh & Leo

This Week's Additional Information

At the end of this letter, this week, you will find information about free courses for parents and our Spring/Summer dinner menus (we will be back on to Week 1 next week).

Upcoming dates for your diary

15.06.26: Year 5 Assessment Week
15.06.26: PTA Father's Day Pop-Up Shop
15.06.26: Class and Sports Team Photographs
19.06.26: Classes for next year shared with parents and children
22.06.26: Story time with new teachers
23.06.26: Games with new teachers
25.06.26: Transition Day
29.06.26: Rocky Steady Concert 2:15
30.06.26: EYFS trip to Hasty's Farm
01.07.26: EYFS and KS1 Sports Day (weather permitting)
02.07.26: KS2 Sports Day (weather permitting)
03.07.26: Non uniform day
05.07.26: Year 6 Residential (5-8 July)
07.07.26: End of Year Reports sent home
08.07.26: Open Evening (3.10-4.10pm)
10.07.26: KS2 SATs results shared with parents
10.07.26: Summer Fair (weather permitting)
13.07.26: Year 6 production PM (time TBC)
14.07.26: Year 6 production AM and PM (times TBC)
15.07.26: Year 6 Leavers' Party (tbc)
16.07.26: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 10am
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)

For everyone here, we hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards

Join the Daily Mile at the Vitality Westminster Mile 2026 - for free.

We'd love your support in inviting families from your school to be part of something BIG 👟 The Daily Mile is returning to the Vitality Westminster Mile 2026, and we're encouraging parents and carers to sign their children up to take part in our the Daily Mile Wave – completely free of charge.

Not only is the day filled with celebration, including access to the free Festival Area in Green Park - but children will also finish the mile in style just outside Buckingham Palace.

Event Details
🗓️ Saturday 26 September 2026
⏰ 9:45am
📍 Starting at The Mall
🏁 Finish at Buckingham Palace

Want to find out more? Take Part | London Marathon Events

As if taking part wasn't fun enough… participants also receive a FREE Daily Mile t-shirt, timed results, and a Finishers medal (optional)

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

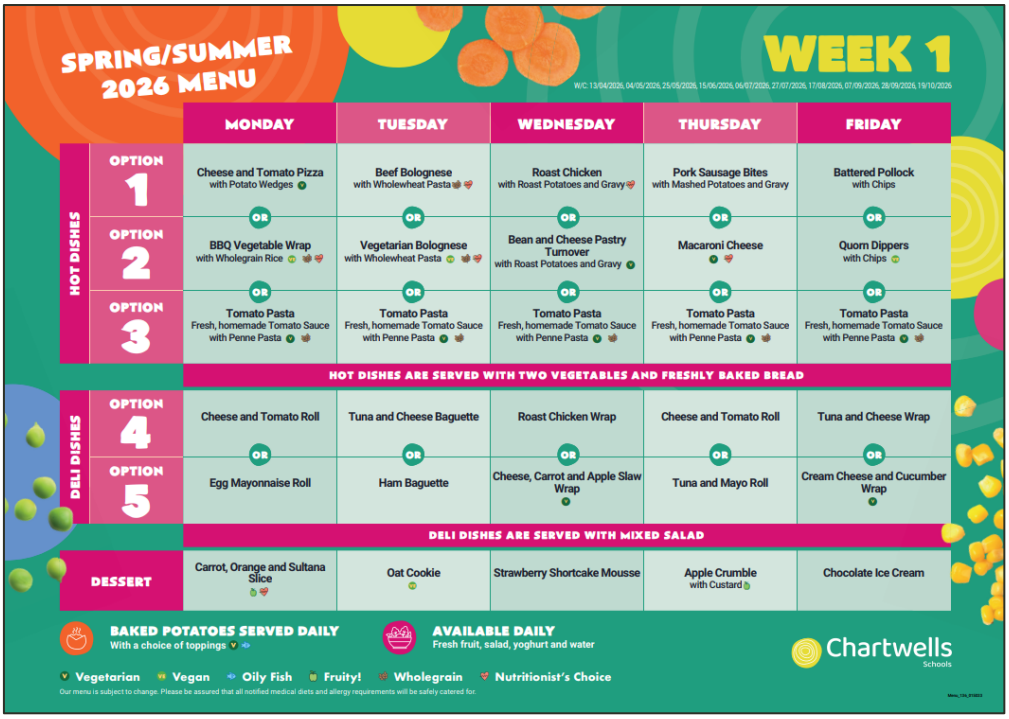
Venue:	White Hall Academy Training Room
Duration:	6 weeks
Dates:	Monday 18th May 2026
	Monday 1st June 2026 (after half term break)
	Monday 8th June 2026
	Monday 15th June 2026
	Monday 22nd June 2026
	Monday 29th June 2026
Time:	9.30am-11.30am
Facilitators:	Ms Watts and Mrs Davis

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

Booking link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rqhnVjY-bkmsUYihtBXSrp8TtOc15hlHtQLVoghmxyBUMkwwVVlNNUhYQldVMlZZNlZEODhOUU9XTC4u

Trauma Perceptive Practice (TPP) Course Course date: 18th May - 29th June 2026



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, 05/10/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES – OPTION 1	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
OR					
HOT DISHES – OPTION 2	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
OR					
HOT DISHES – 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 Wrap	Roast Gammon Baguette	Cheese and Tomato Wrap	Cheese Roll
OR					
DELI DISHES – OPTION 5	Egg Mayonnaise Roll	Cheese and Cucumber Wrap	Cheese Baguette	Tuna and Sweetcorn Wrap	Ham Roll
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD					
DESSERT	Apple and Golden Syrup Sponge with Custard	Chocolate Slice	Caramel Mousse	Ginger Biscuit with Melon Wedges	Strawberry Ice Cream

BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY With a choice of toppings

AVAILABLE DAILY Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

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SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

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

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES – OPTION 1	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
OR					
HOT DISHES – OPTION 2	Veggie Pizza with Wedges	Cheesy Bean Burrito with Wholegrain Rice	Vegetarian Cottage Pie with Gravy	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Veggie Fingers with Chips
OR					
HOT DISHES – 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 Wrap	Cheese Roll	Roast Chicken Wrap	Cheese Roll	Cheese and Tomato Baguette
OR					
DELI DISHES – OPTION 5	Houmous and Carrot Wrap	Ham Roll	Cheese Wrap	Tuna and Sweetcorn Roll	Egg Mayonnaise Baguette
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD					
DESSERT	Custard Shortbread with Melon Wedges	Orange Glazed Sticky Sponge Cake with Custard	Chocolate Mousse	Raspberry Jelly	Mango Frozen Yoghurt

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