



## Newsletter

Week ending 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

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### SCHOOL VALUE - Caring

#### Dear Families,

As we come to the end of a busy and successful spring term, we would like to thank all our pupils, staff, and families for their hard work and support. The children have shown fantastic enthusiasm in their learning and have made great progress across all areas of the curriculum. From exciting classroom projects to memorable trips and events, it has been a term full of achievement and growth. We are incredibly proud of the positive attitudes and resilience shown by our pupils. We wish everyone a restful and enjoyable break and look forward to welcoming you back for the summer term on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April.

#### **BUMBLEBEE NURSERY RHYME PERFORMANCE**

Our EYFS children delighted all with their wonderful Nursery Rhyme Performance this week. They performed with great confidence, enthusiasm and plenty of smiles, bringing their favourite rhymes to life through singing and actions. It is a joy to see how much they have grown in confidence and teamwork. We are very proud of all the children for their fantastic effort and thank you to families for your continued support.

#### **BUTTERFLY TRIP TO BARLEYLANDS**

Butterfly Class had a wonderful day on Tuesday visiting Barleylands, where they learned all about living things and their habitats. The children enjoyed discovering how wheat is grown and had the opportunity to make their own shortbread biscuits.

They were excited to meet a variety of birds of prey and had great fun riding the tractor around the farm. To finish the day, the children met baby lambs and goats and loved feeding the animals.

#### **HEDGEHOG TRIP TO COLCHESTER ZOO**

On Thursday, Hedgehog class went to Colchester Zoo to bring their rainforest learning to life. They got to see real animals that they had talked about in class and understand how they survive in their habitats; what they eat and how they adapt. It also helped them better understand things like food chains and why protecting rainforests is so important. The children (and staff) had a wonderful day and represented our school well. They arrived home happy and content (and also a little tired). Overall, it was a fabulous day enjoyed by everyone.

#### **FOX CLASS AFRICA DAY**

Fox class enjoyed a vibrant African-themed enrichment day yesterday. They came dressed in the colours of an African nation's flag and had researched fascinating facts about those countries. It was a day of hands-on experiences and cultural discovery. The children took part in an exciting djembe drumming workshop, where they explored rhythm and teamwork, creating energetic performances together. They made Nigerian chin chins, learning new skills while tasting a traditional treat. Fox class designed and crafted beautiful African-inspired jewellery, showcasing their creativity.

The day concluded with a lively Maasai Olympics, where everyone demonstrated enthusiasm, resilience and excellent sportsmanship. It was a fantastic day that inspired curiosity, collaboration and a deeper appreciation of African culture.

#### **SPORTING NEWS**

##### **TAG RUGBY**

Both Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 teams headed to Maldon Rugby club today for the Maldon Tag Rugby festival. We hope the teams had a great time competing for the school. Many thanks to Mrs Foster and Mr Kirsh for accompanying the children.



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### **FRIENDS OF MAYLANDSEA PTA**

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA for organising such a fantastic Easter Activity Day. The children had a brilliant time taking part in the range of fun activities, and it was lovely to see so many smiles throughout the day. We are incredibly grateful for the time, effort and enthusiasm that went into making the event such a success. Your continued support makes a real difference to our school community.

### **CAKE SALE:**

Thank you to everyone who supported the KS1 and KS2 cake sales this term:

KS1 raised £252.21 and KS2 raised £176.43, giving a grand total of £428.64. Thank you! An amazing amount raised which will go towards upgrading the outside stage area to be an outdoor classroom space.

### **STAFFING NEWS**

This week we said a fond farewell to Mrs Winfield and Mrs Jackson, two of our LSAs. We will miss them both very much and would like to thank them for their hard work and dedication to Maylandsea Primary School over the years they have been here. We wish them well, and look forward to them visiting us soon!

### **HOLIDAY CAMPS AND ACTIVITY DAYS**

Don't forget, Little Sportsters will be running their Easter holiday camp

- Mayland- Lawling Park Village Hall
- Camp Days – 9am – 3pm
- Mon 30th March- Fri 10th April

Please visit their website to book a place.

<https://www.lscocoaching.com/product/mayland-easter-26-sports-and-play-camp>

Also, attached to this week's newsletter is a flyer with details of Green Space Games activity sessions, one of which is being held in Maylandsea from 10am -12pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April.

*Wishing you all a wonderful Easter break  
See you back at school on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026!*

*Enjoying and Achieving Together,  
Mrs James*



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### PUPIL AWARDS



Star of the Week							
Bumblebee	Ladybird	Butterfly	Woodlands	Hedgehog	Deer	Kingfisher	Fox
Isabella	Rupert	Aurora	Maria	Alba-Raine	Remi-Rae	Ollie	Arthur
School Value - Caring							
Bumblebee	Ladybird	Butterfly	Woodlands	Hedgehog	Deer	Kingfisher	Fox
Sienna	Morgan	Tianna		Olivia	Oakley	Finley	Bradley
Class Reading Scores							
Bumblebee	Ladybird	Butterfly	Woodlands	Hedgehog	Deer	Kingfisher	Fox
88%	66%	89%		100%	86%	83%	96%
Star Reader							
Bumblebee	Ladybird	Butterfly	Woodlands	Hedgehog	Deer	Kingfisher	Fox
Teddy	Hunter R	Dolcie		Nissi	Simeon	Hazel	Elayna
Star Writer							
Bumblebee	Ladybird	Butterfly	Woodlands	Hedgehog	Deer	Kingfisher	Fox
Harry	Teddy	Sienna & Sophie			Paiden	May	Arthur
KS1 Number Bond and Multiplication Awards							
Ladybird				Butterfly			
				Sophie, Isla, Robyn, Oliver & Ryan			
Hedgehog		Deer		Kingfisher		Fox	
Alba-Raine, Harrison, Henry, Lewis & Stanley		Blake		May, Esmay H & Odin			
Merit Awards							
Bumblebee	Ladybird	Butterfly	Woodlands	Hedgehog	Deer	Kingfisher	Fox
				Macey & Nissi			
Attendance							
Bumblebee	Ladybird	Butterfly	Woodlands	Hedgehog	Deer	Kingfisher	Fox
96.2%	97.2%	90%	70%	90.9%	95.5%	92.9%	79.4%



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## DIARY DATES

### March 2026

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> – Butterfly Class Trip to Barleylands

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> – Hedgehog Class trip to Colchester Zoo

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> – Fox Class Africa Day

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> – PTA Easter Activity day

## EASTER HOLIDAYS

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April**