



# Maylandsea Primary School Newsletter



Week ending 4th October 2024

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## SCHOOL VALUE - RESPONSIBILITY

### DEAR FAMILIES,

The temperature has definitely taken a turn as we move further into autumn. Please can I remind you to send a coat / waterproof (**NAMED PLEASE!**) in with your child every day. Fresh air is so important to the children's development and we encourage time outside of the classroom during break times and lunchtimes. We endeavour to have children outside during these times so it is important to be dressed appropriately for the weather.

### SPORTING NEWS

Football v Christchurch C of E Primary (Formally known as Latchingdon)

On Wednesday afternoon, Mrs Foster, Mrs Clarke and Mrs Guilfoyle took the football team to Christchurch Primary School for a football match. The team were victorious with a 11 -0 win! Well done to the team who represented the school brilliantly and showed wonderful sportsmanship.

### MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM COFFEE AND CHAT

On Wednesday 9th October we have the Mental Health Support team visiting and would like to welcome parents to meet the team and hear about the support they can offer in school and at home.

### DEMENTIA FUNDRAISER

Mrs O'Connell would like to invite you to a coffee and cake fundraiser on Friday 11th October. Mrs O'Connell will be running the Royal Parks half marathon in aid of Dementia UK on Sunday 13th October. We wish her all the best for a great run. If you would like to support her and donate to her just giving page, please follow the link.

[https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stephconnell?utm\\_medium=proxy\\_fundraising&utm\\_content=stephconnell&utm\\_source=copyLink&utm\\_campaign=pfp-share](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stephconnell?utm_medium=proxy_fundraising&utm_content=stephconnell&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share)

### A POLITE REMINDER

At Maylandsea Primary School we pride ourselves on having an 'open door' policy, meaning we welcome parents to communicate with teachers and talk about their children's needs. However, teachers have seen an increase in parent's trying to hold conversations at drop off time in the mornings. Some of these conversations can be a message sent via dojo, others need a longer meeting for the teacher and parent to work together. This is becoming increasingly difficult to do as the teachers need to be in the classroom with the children at this time. If you need to have a longer conversation with a staff member, please contact them on class dojo or contact the teacher through the school office to make an appointment to see them at the end of the school day. Class Dojo is monitored by teachers at the beginning and end of the day and staff will respond to messages when they can. Many thanks for your support in this matter.

*Enjoying and Achieving Together*  
*Mrs James*



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## Governors

Last night we held our first local governor meeting of the academic year. At the end of each meeting, the governors discuss three points of the meeting which have had an impact on the school and the pupils. Last night's meeting raised the following points:

1. OFSTED report – The governors were extremely pleased with the OFSTED report following the visit in June. They felt it captured the school well and were supportive of the areas to improve.
2. The School improvement plan was also shared with governors; the plan can be viewed on the school website. Please follow the link  
<https://www.maylandsea.essex.sch.uk/school-improvement-plan/>
3. The changes to the attendance policy have already had an impact on our pupil's attendance. We are seeing fewer pupils take days off for unauthorised holidays and we are seeing an increase in attendance meaning that the 'flow' of learning through the curriculum is consistent. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

The governors of Maylandsea Primary School are:

Mrs Clare James – Head teacher  
Mrs Lisa Austin – Chair of the governors  
Mrs Michelle Farrant – Trust Governor  
Mr James Cliff – Parent Governor  
Mr. Neil Coalbran – Parent Governor – End of term of Office.  
Mrs Kerry Groves – Staff Governor  
Mrs Jeni Houghton – Clerk to the Governors.

Mr Kirsh also attends all meetings

The meeting last night was the final meeting for Mrs Joan Robson, Joan has been linked to the school for a number of years, serving as a governor for 30 years. Her dedication and support of the school over the years has been a real strength to us all and we wish her all the very best as her time in the role comes to an end. Thank you, Mrs Robson, for everything you have done for the school.



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### PUPIL AWARDS

| Star of the Week  |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
|---|-----------------------------|--|---|--------------------|------------|---------------|--------|
| Bumblebee   | Ladybird                    | Butterfly  | Hedgehog  | Deer               | Kingfisher | Owl           | Fox    |
| Felicity  | Isla                        | William  | Freddie & Rosie   | Sophie             | Emma       | Serenity-rose | Imogen |
| School Value - Responsibility   |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Bumblebee   | Ladybird                    | Butterfly  | Hedgehog  | Deer               | Kingfisher | Owl           | Fox    |
| Sienna  | Lottie                      | Louis  | Noah & Robyn  | Finley             | Carter     | Annabella     | Danica |
| Class Reading Scores  |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Bumblebee   | Ladybird                    | Butterfly  | Hedgehog  | Deer               | Kingfisher | Owl           | Fox    |
| 77%   | 97%                         | 100%   | 100%  | 97%                | 90%        | 87%           | 96%    |
| Star Reader   |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Bumblebee   | Ladybird                    | Butterfly  | Hedgehog  | Deer               | Kingfisher | Owl           | Fox    |
| Finley  | Rosie                       | Harrison   | Paiden & Ralph  | Freddie            | Harvey     | Angus         | Kayla  |
| Star Writer   |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Bumblebee   | Ladybird                    | Butterfly  | Hedgehog  | Deer               | Kingfisher | Owl           | Fox    |
| Hunter  | Zara                        | Lyla   | Olivia  | Ronnie             | Ava        | Jack          | Ryan   |
| KS1 Number Bond and Multiplication Awards                                   |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Ladybird  |                             |  |   | Butterfly          |            |               |        |
|   |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| KS2 Multiplication Awards   |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Hedgehog  | Deer                        | Kingfisher   | Owl   | Fox                |            |               |        |
| Bow, Blake, Noah, Maxwell, Paiden, Olivia, Jack, Ralph, Jaden, Remi & Jacob | Sonny & Samuel              | Hayley, Mason, Arthur, Emma, Edie, Sophia, Darcie, Hayley & Emma | James, Jude, Annabella, Kayden, Sami, Evie, Frankie, Harry, Elisa, Jimmy, Isabelle, Harrison, Belle | Logan, Ruby & Ryan |            |               |        |
| KS2 Pen Licences  |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Hedgehog  | Deer                        | Kingfisher   | Owl   | Fox                |            |               |        |
|   | Bethany<br>Ronnie<br>Thomas | Emma   | Belle   |                    |            |               |        |
| Merit Awards  |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Bumblebee   | Ladybird                    | Butterfly  | Hedgehog  | Deer               | Kingfisher | Owl           | Fox    |
|   |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Class Attendance  |                             |  |   |                    |            |               |        |
| Bumblebee   | Ladybird                    | Butterfly  | Hedgehog  | Deer               | Kingfisher | Owl           | Fox    |
| 94%   | 97.7%                       | 92%  | 97.9%   | 92.8%              | 92%        | 95.7%         | 98.7%  |



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## Diary Dates

### October

Wednesday 9th – Mental Health Support Team Parent meeting 1:30pm – all welcome

Friday 11th – Mrs O’Connell’s Dementia fundraiser – Coffee and Cake 2:30pm – School Hall

Wednesday 16th – Kingfisher Anglo Saxon Day

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> - Harvest Festival EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 9:00am, Year 3 and 4 9:45am Year 5 and Year 6 10:30am

Friday 25th – PTA Disco

### **HALF TERM**

**Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November**

### November

Monday 4th – INSET day

Tuesday 19th - Flu Immunisations

Friday 29th – Decoration afternoon

### December

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> - Friends Christmas Market – TBC

Tuesday 10th - Whole School Panto Trip

Wednesday 11th - KS1 Nativity to parents 9:30am

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> - KS1 Nativity to parents - 2:00pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> - EYFS Nativity to parents – 9:30am

Tuesday 17th - Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 18th – Rock Steady Concert

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> - School Carol Concert