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(Book Donations—World Book Day Swap)

Just a reminder that we still want to do this—but to enable every child to be able to choose a book—we need every child to bring in a book they no longer want/read.

Many thanks to the children and parents who did bring in a book—but if everyone else could do this as well—that would be excellent.

Books just need to be handed directly to class teachers.

Many thanks.

PTA Disco

Huge thanks to the school's PTA and School Office Staff for organising the disco's last week for the children. By all accounts, an excellent evening with the PTA making a profit of £706.30.



Year 1 Puppets

Last week, Year 1 had a visit from a puppeteer linked to their D&T learning on making puppets. The children were shown a lot of puppets and spoken to about how they were created. The puppeteer then explained how you need to create a story behind your puppet to bring it to life. They all had an amazing time and everyone is very excited to make our own puppets.



Our Assembly Theme: Why do we learn about History (link to SJ6125)?

Term Dates

Monday 3rd April—Friday 14th April—Easter Break

Monday 17th April—First day of Summer Term.

Monday 1st May—May Day Bank Holiday—The School is Closed.

Monday 8th May—King Charles Coronation—Public Holiday—The School is Closed.

Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June—Half Term

Wednesday 19th July—Monday 4th September—Summer Holiday

Tuesday 5th September—First day of Autumn Term.

Diary Dates

Monday 6th March—Thursday 9th March—Book Fair (after school) at both AF & T.

Wednesday 8th March—International Women's Day

Thursday 9th March—PTA Coffee Morning @ T—8.50a.m.

Monday 13th—Friday 17th March—British Science Week.

Royal Visit

You will no doubt be aware that next Tuesday (7th March) King Charles III and the Queen Consort are popping into Colchester.



Their Majesties are visiting Colchester Castle to mark Colchester's recently awarded city status with community groups, volunteers, local businesses, conservation projects and arts organisations. During the visit, Their Majesties will also unveil the name of Colchester Zoo's newest addition, a baby white rhino.

The King and The Queen Consort will then visit Colchester Library to take afternoon tea with Age UK volunteers and service users and learn about the library's impact in the community through the Essex Year of Reading.

<https://www.colchester.gov.uk/royal-visit/>

The school will not be attempting to take children into the Town Centre on this day to see the procession.

However, if you, as parents, would like to take your children into the Town Centre to see the King and Queen Consort, then you are very welcome. We very much appreciate that this is a historic occasion.

If you would like to do this, then you MUST notify the school in writing (preferably e-mail) and keep your child with you for the day, the school will authorise this. Please do not bring them to school and then come and collect them.

Year 2 Church Visit

Yesterday our Year 2 children visited the local church as part of their RE work. Whilst there, they looked at the features of the church and how each item in there has a purpose to support Christians in their beliefs and to celebrate their faith.



Year 4 Swimming

Children swimming in the main pool just need shorts and a t-shirt to wear over their swimsuit when swimming, rather than the full fleecy, onesie numbers that some children had last week. They should bring them each week. This is to give the children a semblance of experience with what it's like trying to swim with clothes—they should bring these each week.



Stanway Rovers Girls Youth FC's Wildfires Team

A special mention to Charlotte, whose football team was in the gazette last week. As an aside, this team is also coached by our very own governor—Mark Scaife.

The team made the papers because one of the papers knitted "special" snoods in memory of her nine-year-old daughter.

<https://www.gazette-news.co.uk/news/23350859.colchester-mum-helen-sadler-knits-snoods-stanway-football-team/>



The **Big** Question for the Spring Term Assessment Period — Who is Responsible for the World?

Our Jigsaw Theme for this Half Term—Healthy Me

Rights Respecting Schools

Article 17 (access to information from the media) Every child has the right to reliable information from a variety of sources, and governments should encourage the media to provide information that children can understand. Governments must help protect children from materials that could harm them.

One Square Mile—Please remember to follow on: <https://m.facebook.com/people/One-Square-Mile-Heritage-on-our-Doorstep/100086912204893/>



So Many Book Characters...

Thank you so much for the efforts you all made with your children's costumes for World Book Day. The school was certainly 'alive' yesterday and there was a real buzz of excitement around the school.

Teachers had planned alternative lessons for the day—so we had Dream Potions being made, Musical Symphonies being created, Top Trump Card Creations, Crown Jewels being painted etc., etc.

Mrs. Woodham acted as chief judge for the day, so really well done to everyone and a special mention to the children below (our winners) who will be able to choose a free book at our Book Fair next week.

EYFS, Dexter (Christmasaurus). Year 1, Kyra (Cruella de Vil). Year 2, Tre (Genie). Year 3, Elyas (George's Marvellous Medicine). Year 4, Charlotte (Marie Curie). Year 5, Ronnie (Skulduggery Pleasant) Year 6, Ayla (Coraline).

Travelling Books

Just a reminder to save some pennies this weekend as next week our Travelling Book Fair will be at both sites after school. The Fair will run straight after school Monday to Thursday—please pop in with your children and have a look.

We will also give out the book tokens next week, which can go towards a book purchase.

Awards

STAR—Hermione (MLM), CHARLOT—Roman (RREX), JUMBO—Mia (MM).

EAGLES—Antonio (MLM), ROSES—Ava, (MM), CIRCUS—Jessica (RREX).

MERCURY—Alexander (MLM), CLAUDIUS—Avni (MLM), ROMANS—Barney (RREX).

DUTCH—Alice (MM), ICENI—Kyra (RREX), PAXMAN—Noman (RROX).

CASTLE—Erica (RREX), CAVALIER—Joshua (RROX), GARRISON—Dylan (MM).

OYSTERS—Connor (MLM), MAGNETS—Ned (MLM), RAEDWALD—Stanley (MM).

TRINOVANTES—Marcus (RROX), CYMBELINE—Ty (RREX), LATHES—Yusuf (RROX).

ATTENDANCE—Chariot

LIBRARY—Max & Aliyah

Essex Rebels (Basketball)

Hopefully, everyone read page 2 of the newsletter last week and saw the fact that the Essex Rebels are offering free child places to go and watch their match on Saturday 11th March, when they take on Leicester Riders.

There's a whole host of entertainment going on that day including: Live DJ, Giveaways and Prizes, Games and Activities, Essex Flames Cheerleaders.

All the details were on last week's newsletter, which is available in the Newsletter Archive on the school website.

As an aside, a special mention to the boys pictured who are all part of the Essex Rebels. We have 4 SJG boys in the Essex Rebels U12 Boys squad, more than any primary school in Colchester. They will be competing in the Basketball England Jnr.National Basketball League (NBL) next season, the pinnacle of Junior basketball.

