



SPRINGFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SUMMER TERM 2025

Teamwork Resilience Independence Creativity Kindness



Week 4
22 Sept
2025

Attendance News

The highest attendance for the week beginning 15 September was Y5 Hippos with 97.7%.

Hello Yellow

We will be taking part in Hello Yellow on Friday 10 October - World Mental Health Day to raise awareness and funds for Young Minds the UK's leading charity for young people's mental health. No young person should feel alone with their mental health and that's why Hello Yellow matters. We're taking this opportunity as a school community to come together and show our children that we're with them and they're never alone with their mental health.

Most importantly, we want to share the resources which Young Minds offers to support parents and carers if you ever need help and advice to support your children. This includes:

- online resources (www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/)
- a phone line, open 9.30am-4pm (0808 802 5544)
- an online chat for parents and carers to speak to trained professionals if you're concerned about your children's mental health (www.youngminds.org.uk/parents-helpline/)

On Friday 10 October the children are invited to wear non uniform with something yellow and pay £1 for the Young Minds Charity. After school there will be a tombola for parents with all money going to the charity. Please help us support this great cause.

Y4 Networking

Year 4 have been learning about how the internet is a network of many connected routers. They created an increasingly complex network to model this and passed packets of information (cubes!) to different destinations by a variety of routes.

Mr Perry



Wasps

As some parents are aware, there have been a number of wasps outside the front of the school. We have had the pest control people out twice and there is not a nest. Apparently the wasps are 'feeding' and there is nothing we can do. Please be mindful of this when walking to school and maybe walk on the other side of the road from where the pub is.

Start Well Roadshows

Parents and carers of under 5s can come along to the Start Well Roadshows this October across Mid Essex. These free, drop-in events offer expert advice, peer support, and fun activities for little ones. Whether you're preparing for preschool or just need a bit of support, there's something for everyone. Locations include Chelmsford, Braintree and Witham.

Cars

The children at our Lighthouse After School Club would really like some toy cars. If anyone has any not being used at home, they would be very grateful if you could drop them off at the office. Thank you.

Mid Essex START WELL Roadshows

IF YOU'VE GOT A LITTLE ONE UNDER 5, THESE DROP-IN EVENTS ARE FOR YOU!

Whether you're getting ready for preschool or just looking for a bit of support, the Start Well Roadshows are here to help.

You'll find friendly faces, expert advice, and loads of useful info on things like toilet training, speech and language, SEND support, starting school and much much more.

There'll be fun activities to keep little ones busy while you chat with professionals and peer supporters who really understand what it's like.

It's all free, drop-in, and relaxed – just turn up and see what's on offer!

Dates, times & locations of the roadshows

Location	Date	Time	Location
Maldon Area	Wed 15th Oct	1-3 PM	Maldon Library
	Tues 28th Oct	10-12 PM	Dangle Family Hub, Dangley Site
Braintree Area	Wed 22nd Oct	2-4 PM	Carrousel Family Hub
	Wed 29th Oct	Time 11-1pm	Witham Library
Chelmsford Area	Sat 18th Oct	10:30-12:30	Chelmsford Library

For more information:
Visit: www.tfc-essex.info/resource/mid-essex-start-well-roadshows/
Or scan the QR code

MID ESSEX CHILDREN'S PARTNERSHIP
If you have any questions please email: CAEPPartnershipLeads@essex.gov.uk

Harvest

This year we will be supporting the Chelmsford Food Bank for our harvest celebrations for the children on Thursday 16 October and we would welcome any donations into school of tinned or dried foods. The items the foodbank are desperate for are on this list at the end of this newsletter.

PTA News

Tuck Shop

Join us after school tomorrow for our monthly tuck shop. We will be selling cakes, doughnuts, sweets and crisps for £1 or 50p. We can take cash and card payments.

Dinner Menu w/b Monday 29 September

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pork & carrot meatballs Pork	Meaty pizza Gluten, dairy, pork & may contain sesame	Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding Gluten, dairy & egg	Hunter's chicken Dairy & pork	Omega 3 fish fingers Fish & gluten
~~~OR~~~ Veggie meatballs <b>Soya</b>	~~~OR~~~ Cheese pizza <b>Gluten, dairy &amp; may contain sesame</b>	~~~OR~~~ Cheese & potato onion slice <b>Gluten &amp; dairy</b>	~~~OR~~~ Omelette <b>Egg &amp; dairy</b>	~~~OR~~~ Quorn nuggets <b>Gluten</b>
~~~WITH~~~ Spaghetti <b>Gluten</b> Mixed veg	~~~WITH~~~ Side salad	~~~WITH~~~ Roast potatoes Seasonal veg	~~~WITH~~~ Mashed potato <b>May contain wheat &amp; dairy</b> Peas	~~~WITH~~~ Chips Beans
Fresh fruit platter	Fresh fruit smoothie	Sprinkle cake Gluten, egg & may contain soya	Angel delight Dairy	Cookie Gluten & may contain soya

Diary Dates Dates changed or added this week in red

Autumn 25		
Tues 7 Oct	EYFS & Y1 Phonics morning	8.45-9.30
Fri 10 Oct	World Mental Health Day - wear yellow and donate £1	
Weds 15 Oct	Flu vaccinations for children Turnip Dinner for EYFS parents and families	1.45 - 2.30
Thurs 16 Oct	Harvest assembly for children	
Fri 24 Oct	Rock Stars Day – dress as a rockstar or non uniform	
27-31 Oct	Half term holiday	
Fri 7 Nov	Children individual photos	
Mon 10 Nov	INSET - school closed to children Parent's evening meetings	
Fri 14 Nov	Children in Need - non uniform and donate £1	
Thurs 20 Nov	House assemblies - wear house colours	
Tues 25 Nov	Concert for Rockband parents	9.30-10am
Fri 28 Nov	Panto in school funded by PTA	
Mon 8 Dec	Y1 Sharks Christmas for parents Y1 Dolphins Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15
Tues 9 Dec	Y2 Badgers Christmas for parents Y2 Barn Owls Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15

Weds 10 Dec	Y3 Seals Christmas for parents Y3 Turtles Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15
Thurs 11 Dec	Christmas Lunch	
Fri 12 Dec	Y5 Elephants Christmas for parents Y5 Hippos Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15
Mon 15 Dec	EYFS Christmas for parents	2.15
Tues 16 Dec	Y4 Polar Bears Christmas for parents Y4 Penguins Christmas for parents	9.30 2.15
Fri 19 Dec	Break up	3.10
Spring 2026		
Mon 5 Jan	School starts	8.40
Wed 4 Feb	Y4 Superstar Sports	12.30-3pm
16-20 Feb	Half term holiday	
Mon 2 Mar	INSET - school closed to children Parent's evening meetings	
Fri 20 Mar	Red Nose day tbc - non uniform and donate £1	
Fri 27 Mar	Break up	3.10
Summer 2026		
Mon 13 Apr	School starts	8.40
Mon 4 May	Bank Holiday	
Thurs 7 May	INSET Day - school closed to children for voting	
Mon 11 May	Y6 SATs Week	
Thurs 21 May	Sports day	9.30 KS2 1.30 KS1
Mon 25 May	Half term holiday	
3 - 6 June	Y6 Residential visit	
Tues 30 June	Y4 school trip - details nearer the time	
Wed 1 July	Y2 Mini Games EYFS & Y5 school trip - details nearer the time	
Thurs 2 July	Y2 & Y3 school trip - details nearer the time	
Fri 3 July	Y1 & Y6 school trip - details nearer the time	
Fri 17 July	Break up	1.30

All dates subject to change

A copy of the 2024/2025 & 2025/6 terms and holidays calendar can be found on the school website.

PE Days

The PE days this half term are:

EYFS	Friday
Y1	Wednesday & Friday
Y2	Wednesday & Thursday
Y3	Monday & Tuesday
Y4	Monday & Wednesday
Y5	Thursday & Friday
Y6	Wednesday & Friday



Shopping List Harvest/autumn 2025



Thank you for continuing to support us
These items are most needed at present:

Tinned meat meals
Tinned fish
Tinned vegetables, potatoes and tomatoes
Tinned pulses, tinned spaghetti, tinned soup
Rice
Instant mashed potato sachets
Pasta sauce
Ketchup and mayo
Cooking oil
UHT milk
Long-life fruit juice and fruit squash
Small jars instant coffee and hot chocolate
Tinned fruit
Sponge puddings and tinned rice pudding
Instant custard sachets and tinned custard
Jam and spreads
Packets of biscuits
Chocolate biscuit bars/cereal bars/sweets/savoury crackers
All toiletries inc: shower gel, shampoo, conditioner,
deodorant, toilet rolls, washing up liquid, laundry tabs/pods
Nappies sizes 5 to 7
We have sufficient pasta, thank you

Items can be delivered to our warehouse at
450A Beehive Lane CM2 8RN

www.chelmsford.foodbank.org.uk

See also weekly Top 5 most needed items updates on Facebook



info@chelmsford.foodbank.org.uk 07512 574 542

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Emergency food for people in crisis

JOIN THE BAND!

ROCK AND POP BAND LESSONS AT YOUR SCHOOL

- Play music in your very own band from the first lesson!
- No experience necessary and instruments for lessons provided.
- Band lessons take place in school and are led by awesome musicians.

BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE ONLINE

0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 8am-6pm, Fri 8am-6pm, local rate)
rocksteadymusicschool.com

READY TO ROCK? THE STAGE IS SET.

Choose from: Guitar, vocals, keyboard, bass or drums.

A Rocksteady band is for everyone

Takes place in school, instruments provided and no experience necessary!

Have fun and learn by playing

Children work their way through up to 300 musical skills. No music theory involved.

Taught by professional musicians

Rocksteady band leaders are trained musicians who make learning music fun.

Much more than music

Improves wellbeing, confidence, social skills and academic achievement.

Progress at their own pace

Your child can achieve an exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Trinity music qualification.

End every term on a high note

Watch your child shine as they perform in their band at the end of term concerts.

£44.88 per month (no payment in August). Money back guarantee for the first month. Cancel at any time.

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"OMG such a difference in my son's confidence over the last 3+ years!"
Tara

"It's a space where young musicians can truly thrive."
Merlyn

"She was frightened of her own shadow, but now rocks out in front of the school."
Stef

Spotlight on SEND



Autism central is here to help!

Sometimes talking to people who share similar experiences to yours means you're more likely to feel understood and get the support you need.

The Autism Central Peer Education Programme is for parents, carers and Personal Assistants of autistic people of any age. They do not need a diagnosis to access the service. Support is provided by parents and carers of autistic people who are happy to share their knowledge and experience with others.

What we can offer:

- A constantly growing range of information and resources is available on the Autism Central website www.autismcentral.org.uk
- Weekly online groups sessions – drop-ins and themed sessions covering a range of topics
- 1:1 support via a telephone or Teams call. This can be requested via the QR code below

www.autismcentral.org.uk



Educational Psychology Service Parent Helpline

Do you have concerns about your child's education or development that you would like to talk through with an Educational Psychologist (EP)?

**Call our
Parent Helpline**

01245 433293

**Mondays 1pm – 5pm
(during term time)**

What is the Parent helpline?

The helpline is for carers and parents of children and young people up to the age of 19 with concerns about their children's education or development.

What will happen during a call?

You will talk to a qualified Educational Psychologist who will listen to your concerns and work with you to find a positive way forward.

What will happen after a call?

It will be a discrete piece of work with no follow up from the EP.

The helpline is confidential and personal details will not be recorded and nor will information be passed onto other sources.

