



Myland Primary School



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Star of the Week

There was no 'Star of the Week' assembly today as we were hosting visitors from two of our fellow DfE English Hubs.

Exhibition Evening

School was very busy last night and it was lovely to see so many families come along to Exhibition Evening. The school looked fantastic (as it always does!), so I hope that you enjoyed looking at your child's work and having the opportunity to visit other classrooms too.

Very many thanks to the entire staff team for their hard work in preparing for yesterday evening and, of course, to the children for all of their hard work throughout the year. As you were able to see, the standard of work produced across the school – both in books and on display in classrooms and corridors – is of an exceptional quality. Well done everyone!

Year 6 Rock!

Thank you to everyone who came along to see Year 6 perform 'Darwin Rocks' this week. The children were amazing in every respect – acting, singing and dancing – and I hope you are as proud of your children as we certainly are!

Thank you for your support at home, especially with learning words and providing costumes – this is very much appreciated. The performances certainly showed what a brilliant group of children our Year 6 are and what a huge hole they will leave in the life of our school.

Very many thanks to the entire staff team for their hard work, with a particular mention to Myland's answer to Andrew Lloyd Webber – Mrs. Yearling! It was a fantastic team effort – well done everyone!

Look out for the photos on our website, too.

Miss Griggs

REMINDERS

Next week's MENU will be

WEEK 1

When we return after the Summer break, the Menu will be WEEK 1.

Attendance this week
(up to & including Thursday)

Birch Class	91.8%	
Willow Class	90.4%	
Sycamore Class	98.3%	
Larch Class	98.0%	
Cedar Class	98.7%	
Beech Class	92.0%	
Oak Class	96.1%	
Redwood Class	94.0%	
Chestnut Class	95.2%	
Rowan Class	99.3%	★
Maple Class	95.3%	
WHOLE SCHOOL	95.6%	

Check Email and Bookbags for...

- * PTA letter – sent Thursday
- * Yr 5/6 Greek Workshop
- * Yr 6 Leavers' BBQ



Our PTA Needs You!

Yesterday you will have received a letter from the PTA Team, highlighting the need for volunteers to come forward to take on some of the key positions in the team. Without named people in these positions, the PTA would be unable to exist, which would be a huge shame for the children at our school.

School budgets become tighter every year, particularly as general costs such as energy and food continue to rise. It is thanks to the amazing hard work of the PTA Committee and everyone who volunteers to help at events that we are able to raise such a significant sum of money each year to support the school.

PTA funds **directly benefit every child in the school** and I have never worked in a school where the PTA has been as successful as it is at Myland. However, for that success to continue to benefit every single pupil, we do need to have named postholders of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. If you feel that you could offer your services to any of these positions – particularly if you have a financial background and could offer to be Treasurer – then all of our children would continue to benefit from resources that the school budget just doesn't stretch to. Please contact our current Chair, Emily Watson – or any member of the PTA Team – if you are able to help. Thank you!

Annual Summary Reports, along with results of any statutory tests or checks, will be sent home on **Monday 15th July**. If, due to family circumstances, you would like separate copies, please let the office staff know (admin@myland.essex.sch.uk).

Thank you.



We currently have a mountain of Lost Property in our box by the main office. Much of it is un-named and, therefore, it is very difficult to reunite the items with their owners. If your child has lost any items of uniform, please come and check the box. Any items not collected by **Thursday 18th July** will be recycled. Thank you.

'FREE TUCK FRIDAY'

WELL DONE to **ROWAN CLASS** who will have **Free Tuck** on **Friday 19th July**



VIP Table



Each week, one child from each class is chosen by Miss Griggs for their kindness, good manners and sensible

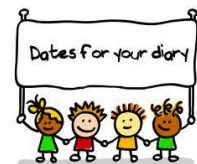
attitude. Well done this week to:

Birch Class	Ronnie L-B
Willow Class	Ishan
Sycamore Class	Amirali
Larch Class	Sophie
Cedar Class	Tilly
Beech Class	Tanisha
Oak Class	Jack R
Redwood Class	Caleb
Chestnut Class	Mbali
Rowan Class	Daisy-May
Maple Class	Amelia Bai

Diary Dates

Mon 15th July – Year 6 Leavers' BBQ

Fri 19th July – Last day of term for pupils



Attendance

Our overall school attendance has fluctuated quite a lot this term and, at the moment, is slightly lower overall than we would normally expect. In terms of individual pupil attendance, we would expect an average of at least 97% across an academic year.

Please be aware that the Department for Education is issuing a new code of conduct for attendance which comes into effect from **August 19th**. The link below provides some information for parents/carers:

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/category/attendance/>

We will be updating our Attendance Policy in line with the new code of conduct and it will be available at the start of the Autumn Term. Our current Attendance Policy can be found on our school website and if you have any questions about the changes coming next term, please feel welcome to speak to me.

Well done School Council!

Very well done to the School Council for their fundraising efforts.

The School Council ran a stall at the PTA Summer Fair, with the intention of donating the proceeds to Save the Children.

They have raised a fantastic

£233-85

WELL DONE!

With the exception of Colchester Utd clubs on Tuesday and Wednesday, there will be **no after school clubs next week.**

Please may we remind parents and carers that only small, plain stud earrings are acceptable at school and that these must be removed for PE sessions. If your child is unable to remove and replace their own earrings, please take them out at home on PE days prior to your child coming to school. If you are thinking of having your child's ears pierced, please consider doing this at the start of the summer holidays, so that they have time to heal before coming back to school in September.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Don't forget to keep us up to date with any changes to your address, contact telephone numbers or emergency contact details (including email addresses), particularly if these change over the summer break. Thank you.

Essex

ACTIVate

Free activity clubs across Essex and Thurrock for eligible primary and secondary school children that also offer:

- ✓ Specialist SEND, mental wellbeing and youth clubs
- ✓ Physical, enrichment and food activities
- ✓ Nutritious snacks and tasty meals
- ✓ Run by qualified, locally trusted organisations
- ✓ Family support
- ✓ Resources and guidance

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HOW CAN ESSEX ACTIVATE SUPPORT ME?

Not only do we offer fun-filled activity clubs, but Essex ActivAte want to further support families and young people by offering free resources and guidance to help make term times a little easier. Our family support hub offers activities, videos, tips and inspiration for affordable family days out!



HOW DO I BOOK ONTO AN ESSEX ACTIVATE CLUB?

A few weeks ahead of each half term and holiday programme, we will post on our social media pages when clubs are available to view and book.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES (HAF)

- If your child is eligible for benefit based free school meals, you will be emailed or text a Holiday Activities voucher code from your school to book onto a local club
- If you are still waiting for your voucher code, please contact your school
- Limited spaces are available for young people who are not eligible for benefits based free school meals, but are from 'low-income' working families, may be vulnerable and/or experience inactivity and social isolation
- To book on, you will not receive a Holiday Activities voucher code, and you will need to contact the club directly from the Essex ActivAte website

HALF TERM BREAKS

- To book onto a half term club, you will not receive a Holiday Activities voucher
- You will need to book on through the Essex ActivAte website
- Simply select your area, find what clubs are available and book your child on through the link provided - depending on the club, you may need to book through our website, or contact them directly

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