

Newsletter No. 15 2024-25 – Friday 17th January 2025

Star of the Week

Well done to our 'Stars' for this week who all received their certificates in assembly today:

BIRCH CLASS: Abdul Oyedele

WILLOW CLASS: Ishaan Kundoor

SYCAMORE CLASS: Fatima Rana

LARCH CLASS: Bella Roberts

CEDAR CLASS: Ivy Swindells

BEECH CLASS: Shylah-Shae Wilson

OAK CLASS: Ciara Royce

REDWOOD CLASS: Arthur Williams

CHESTNUT CLASS: Millie Clarke

ROWAN CLASS: Elliot Vestey

MAPLE CLASS: Brielle Maputi



Attendance

As you can see from the figures on our newsletter this week, our attendance has dropped quite significantly. There are always nasty bugs and viruses around at this time of year and this has clearly affected our overall rate over the past couple of weeks.

However, we have also had a large number of recent requests for term time absence which also affects our overall attendance figures. Please be aware that, should you request a family holiday in term time, this will always be unauthorised in line with updated Local Authority guidance for schools on attendance. Requests for any absence in term time are only authorised if it is deemed that there are exceptional circumstances surrounding the request. Similarly, days off for birthdays, practice for exams or tests and other such similar occasions are also unauthorised.

Our Attendance Officer regularly visits school to scrutinise our registers and the levels of individual pupil attendance. She may also contact parents/carers directly if there are concerns about your child's attendance. Should you have any questions, please feel welcome to speak to me.

Miss Griggs

REMINDERS

Next week's MENU will be

WEEK 3

Please pre order by
TUESDAY 21/01/25 for WEEK 1

Attendance this week
(up to & including Thursday)

Birch Class	89.5%	
Willow Class	93.9%	
Sycamore Class	96.6%	
Larch Class	98.7%	★
Cedar Class	96.7%	
Beech Class	92.3%	
Oak Class	91.4%	
Redwood Class	94.7%	
Chestnut Class	97.0%	
Rowan Class	94.5%	
Maple Class	94.0%	
WHOLE SCHOOL	94.7%	

Check Email and Bookbags
for...

* Young Voices – sent to parents/carers of children participating



After School Clubs

Please remember that all staff led after-school clubs finish at 4.00 p.m. and children should be collected promptly from the main office entrance doors. Clubs led by our Colchester United coaches finish at 4.15 p.m. – again, please collect your child from the main office entrance doors.

Please make sure that your child is aware of who is collecting them after their club session. We do expect children to attend every session of their chosen club – if, for any reason, your child is unable to attend, please put this in writing to the teacher leading the club, either in your child's Home/School diary or via an email to the school office. Thank you.

Mrs. Richardson would like to remind parents/carers that we have a large stock of pre-loved uniform. It is all in excellent condition and we have a range of sizes. Please feel welcome to come and ask if you need extra items for your child.

THIS SCHOOL IS A



**NUT
FREE
ZONE!**

PLEASE REMEMBER.....

Nut products (or items containing nuts) of any kind are not permitted at school, due to several children with severe allergies. This includes any type of spread containing nuts or nut products (e.g. Nutella). Thank you for your co-operation.

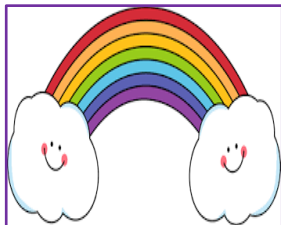
'FREE TUCK FRIDAY'

WELL DONE to **CEDAR CLASS**
who will have
Free Tuck on
Friday 24th January

**TUCK
SHOP**



Mrs. Richardson presents her 'Rainbow Award' each week in Friday's Star of the Week assembly. This is given to a child who has made a significant contribution when working in a group with Mrs. Richardson. Well done this week to **ADAM** in Larch Class.



Each week, Mrs. Carter chooses our 'Rocker of the Week' – this is a pupil who has made significant improvement over the course of the week in any aspect of their times tables knowledge. Well done to **SOPHIE** in CEDAR CLASS.



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	Imogen
Willow Class	Cora
Sycamore Class	Varun
Larch Class	Aubrey
Cedar Class	Rex
Beech Class	Talal
Oak Class	Tilly
Redwood Class	Jacob
Chestnut Class	Oliver
Rowan Class	Kira
Maple Class	Aayan
Windmills	Oliver A

Diary Dates

Mon 20th Jan - Year 5 Residential Visit deposits to be received by today

Wed 22nd Jan – Young Voices (Yr 5/6 – O2

Wed 29th Jan – KS 1 Shared Learning session: 2.00 p.m.

Tues 11th Feb – Parent Teacher Consultations 4.00 - 7.50 p.m. (details to follow)

Thurs 13th Feb - Parent Teacher Consultations 4.00 - 7.50 p.m. (details to follow)

Fri 14th Feb – **NON PUPIL DAY**

Mon 17th – Fri 21st Feb – **HALF TERM**

