

School News

A MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have made it to the end of another busy week in school! As always there have been many exciting experiences and events taking place at school which you will be able to see from our Facebook page and newsletter.

Kinetika T100 Goes Wild summer festival!



On Tuesday, our yr4 children took part in a Treasure Quest hosted by our Arts and Culture Young Ambassadors. The children spent time in our outdoor area searching for clues and discovering more about the great outdoors. As a school, we have partnered with Kinetika for nearly 10 years now and it was a privilege to once again be part of the organisations summer festival. Our year 4 Young Ambassadors will be partnering with Kinetika over the remaining years of their primary education to develop their leadership skills and deliver further exciting projects for the children of East Tilbury Primary. A big well done to all involved – it was a great day of learning and exploration.

Sports Day – next week



The school community is really looking forward to Sports Days next week. The children have been practising hard all week and are really excited to be participating in the many sporting activities planned. Please see prior email communications for specific details but please remember to make your way to the Silver Gate (Yr6 entrance) where you will be let onto the field to see your child participate. Reception will be on the morning of Wednesday 26th (9.30 start), Y3&4 in the afternoon (1.30 start) and then on Thursday 27th y1&y2 in the morning and y5&6 in the afternoon. We hope that you can join us to cheer on the children!

We wish you a relaxing weekend ahead,
The Leadership Team

Upcoming Events

EYFS Sports Morning
Wednesday 26th June
9.30am - 11am

Year 1 and 2 Sports Morning
Thursday 27th June
9.30am - 11am

Year 3 and 4 Sports Afternoon
Wednesday 26th June
1.30pm - 3.00pm

Year 5 and 6 Sports
Afternoon
Thursday 27th June
1.30pm - 3.00pm

Let your child wear their PE kit all day, including a house-coloured t-shirt.

Important Information



FREE School Uniform
free for everyone,
no referral needed!

Events

Fridays
3 - 4.30pm

19th January
16th February
15th March
19th April
17th May
21st June

Saturdays
10 - 11.30am

20th January
17th February
16th March
20th April
18th May
22nd June

Community Church Chadwell St Mary
Defoe Parade (enter from Brentwood Road)
RM16 4QR

Save the planet 🌍, and your pennies 💰!
Hundreds of items in stock:

- Polo shirts
- Shirts & blouses
- Skirts
- Trousers
- Socks
- Pinafore dresses
- Jumpers & cardigans
- Blazers & ties
- PE kit incl football socks
- Plimsolls
- Black shoes
- Coats

Clean, good condition school uniform donations accepted when space allows. Please check our facebook page to see if we are currently collecting. Search facebook for "The 180 Project"

An event run by The 180 Project, part of Community Church
Registered charity no. 1062301. Tel: 01375 484 101

We have a very limited stock of uniform due to our uniform store being in the RAAC area of the school. If you are in need of uniform please visit the 180 project at the Community Church in Chadwell St Mary.

If your child has an injury and has been given medical advice that we need to follow as a school, please bring them to the school office for 8.15am on their first day back at school following the injury so that we can complete a risk assessment. Thank you for your cooperation.

Absence

If your child is too ill to attend school, this must be reported to us by no later than **9.00am**. Please telephone the school, press one and leave a message on the voicemail box stating your child's full name, class, the reason for absence and when we can expect them to return to school (if known).

Home Visits will be carried out for any child that is absent for 3 or more school days without reason.

Important Information

Thurrock Well Homes

Benefits and Energy Advice Project

The aim of this project is to help **owner occupiers and private tenants** to improve their home, health, wellbeing and finances.

The benefits of the project include:-

- Advice on how to make your home more energy efficient, save money on your fuel bills - help with **energy tariff switching, tips on how to keep warm and save money.**
- Maximise income - help to check you are in receipt of all **entitled benefits**
- A **free** health check on your home
- Deal with your **landlord if you have health & safety issues**
- Help with **-heating repairs, loft and cavity insulation**
- **Help owner occupiers** to carry out repairs in their home
- Installation of **smoke detectors** and **security lights**
- Putting you in touch with a range of health and lifestyle services i.e. **stop smoking, weight management, free NHS health check, flu, covid and shingles vaccinations.**
- Referrals to agencies who help make life easier and promote independence e.g. **debt advice, social groups, family support etc.**

Contact: Kim Vasa, Financial Inclusion Officer

M: 07745 643986

E: FIO.privatehousing@thurrock.gov.uk

W: thurrock.gov.uk/wellhomes



 thurrock.gov.uk

We need you



Help Us Enhance our EYFS Outdoor Area! 🌳

Calling all kind-hearted donors! 🙌 We are thrilled to announce that we are working on transforming our Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) outdoor area into a vibrant, interactive space for our little learners. 🌈

Do you happen to have any of the following items that are yearning for a new purpose? If so, we would be incredibly grateful for your generous donations to our school. 🎁❤️

Let's create an unforgettable outdoor haven where our little ones can explore, learn, and grow! 🌈🌱

Can You Help Us?

We are looking for extra outdoor resources to help us support your child's learning and development. Any help, big or small, makes a big difference and you may be surprised by what we are looking for! Thank you for your support.

We Are Looking For:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guttering and tubes• Funnels• Cable drums and reels• Pallets• Tyres• Steering wheels• Crates• Buckets and/or containers• Gardening tools for children – trowels, watering cans, spade, brush• Large, old furniture such as cupboards, chairs, tables (to create a mud kitchen)• Utensils – spoons, tongs, scoops, ladles, rolling pins, potato mashers• Cutlery, bowls and plates• Pots, pans and muffin trays• Jugs and funnels | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Soil and/or compost• Bark chippings• Seeds, bulbs and/or plants• (Pine)cones, acorns, conkers• Shells• Sticks• Leaves• Bark• Stones and pebbles• Moss• Flowers/petals• Feathers• Tree stumps and/or log slices of different size, heights and widths |
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Exciting News! Join Us in Enhancing Lunchtimes at Our School with OPAL 🌳🎨📖
Hey everyone! We're thrilled to share that we're taking our lunchtimes to the next level with our OPAL (Outdoor Play & Learning) initiative! 🌟 Thanks to OPAL, our lunchtimes have already seen a positive transformation, and now, with your support, we can make them even better. 😊

🎁 Donation Wishlist:

- Prams (toy size and child size) 🧸
- Dolls & Teddy Bears (large and small) 🧸
- Lego 🧱
- Reading Books 📖
- Scooters 🛹
- Bike Helmets 🧢

Your contributions will help us create a more fun and engaging lunchtime experience for all our students.

Celebrations



We are absolutely delighted to announce that Mr Green, our exceptional new teacher, has been honoured with the Pearson Bronze Award for Outstanding New Teacher of the Year! His unwavering dedication to his pupils, innovative teaching methods, and positive impact on the school community truly make him a standout educator. Mr Green's commitment to fostering a love for learning and inspiring his pupils to reach their full potential is truly commendable. His passion for education shines through in everything he does, making him a remarkable asset to our school.



SEND in Focus



Parental Focus Group on School Transitions: Primary to Secondary



Embarking on New Journeys

Transitions mark significant milestones in our children's lives. The transition from primary to secondary school is a pivotal moment, where they embark on exciting new journeys filled with different routines, new friendships, and different teachers.

We invite you to participate in our Parental Focus Group with our Head of Service, School Effectiveness and SEND to discuss the important topic of school transitions.

This session aims to:

- Introduce parents to the transition resources available on the local offer.
- Share tips and strategies to support you and your child during the transition from primary to secondary school.
- Gain your valuable insights and feedback on how your child has experienced the transition process.

Details

Date: 16th July
Time: 12 pm- 1 pm

Location: Online via Teams
(Please see the school SENCo/ Pastoral Team for meeting details)



SEND in Focus

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THE LOCAL OFFER

Information for parent and carers



What is the Local Offer?

- The SEND Local Offer is designed to help improve the lives of children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND), as well as their families and those who care for them.
- It provides information where individuals with SEND aged 0-25, as well as their parents or carers, and professionals can go to find out what support or provision they can expect to be available in their local area.
- Under the Children and Families Act 2014, each local authority has a legal responsibility to publish its Local Offer. It needs to be published online, as well as in an alternative format for those without internet access.

The Local Offer will..

- Provide information about education, health, and care services.
- Offer details on leisure activities and support groups.
- Centralise all information in one accessible location.
- Encompass various local agencies, including education, health, and social care services.
- Cover childcare, independent schools, care placements, apprenticeships, transport, specialist teachers, therapy services, and other support
- Include relevant regional and national specialist provisions for children and young people with rare and complex SEND.

You can:

- Browse by subject
- Listen to podcast episodes
- Find the latest service developments
- See our engagement calendar
- Family Newsletters
- Details on Thurrock SEND Family Forum
- Enter competitions

Also included:

- Key word search functionality
- Accessibility functions



www.askthurrock.org.uk

thurrock.gov.uk

Diary Dates

Tuesday 25 th and Wednesday 26 th June 2024	Woodlands Transition Days (Y6-Y7)
Wednesday 26 th June 2024	EYFS sports morning 9:30-11am
Wednesday 26 th June 2024	Year 3 and 4 sports afternoon 1.30-3pm
Thursday 27 th June 2024	Year 1 and 2 sports morning 9:30-11am
Thursday 27 th June 2024	Year 5 and 6 sports afternoon 1.30-3pm
Monday 1 st July 2024	Thurrock Infant Music Festival
Monday 1 st July-Wednesday 3 rd July 2024	Grays Convent Transition days (Y6-Y7)
Tuesday 2 nd July 2024	Ortu Academy Hassenbrook Transition Day
Wednesday 3 rd July and Thursday 4 th July 2024	Orsett Heath Academy Transition days (Y6-Y7)
Wednesday 3 rd -Friday 5 th July	St Clere's Transition Days (Y6-Y7)
Friday 5 th July 2024	Thames Park Transition Day (Y6-Y7)
Monday 8 th July – Friday 12 th July	Creative Week
Friday 19 th July 2024	Last day of term for pupils
Friday 19 th July 2024	Non-Uniform Day
Monday 22 nd and Tuesday 23 rd July 2024	INSET day – no school for pupils.

Do you need support?



East Tilbury Primary Schools Online Pastoral Support.

We are very excited to launch our new Pastoral service to our school community. From today you can access support by completing a simple and quick online form.

We have been working hard over the last few months to set up extra support for our families which is very much needed at this challenging time. If you require support, then please do not hesitate to reach out. We are hoping this service will be a fantastic addition to the support we can provide for our school community. Please reach out if you need anything, we are always here to offer you support.

To make the process simple we have created a QR Code (at the top of the poster) which you can just scan, and this will take you directly to the form.

WE CAN HELP WITH

- Food
- Wellbeing
- Trip Payments

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:

www.easttilburyprimary.thurrock.sch.uk

Our school uniform shop is currently closed due to our stock room being affected by RAAC. If you need support with school uniform please visit the 180 project in Chadwell St Mary.

mycommunitychurch.org.uk/community/projects

Class News

Reception

Finally, the sun is shining, and Reception have had a wonderful week enjoying the outside area. We have been looking at the book 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and this inspired some of our play outside.



Year One

In Year 1, we have been learning about the seasons in our science lessons. This week we have been identifying key features of autumn. We discussed what Autumn looks like and compared it to other seasons. We then wrote about what clothes we would wear and what the trees looked like.

In Geography, we have been learning about the weather. This week we have been making daily observations and taking notes to investigate daily weather patterns. We looked at different instruments used to measure the weather. We then made a wind streamer to help us check the wind direction in our playground.

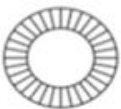
Making a wind streamer

Kapou
Primary

You will need:

- ▶ A paper plate.
- ▶ Tissue paper (one sheet or several different coloured sheets).
- ▶ Scissors.
- ▶ A hole punch.
- ▶ Sticky tape.
- ▶ String or wool.

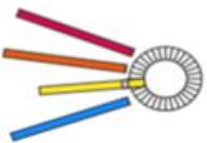
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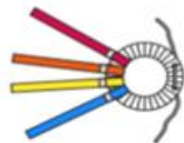
1. Cut a hole in the middle of the plate (you may wish to prepare this beforehand for the children).



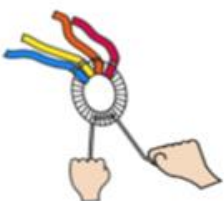
2. Cut four strips of tissue paper at least 50cm long.



3. Tape the four strips around the paper plate.



4. Hole punch two holes then thread the string or wool through to use as a handle.



5. Take the wind streamer outside and hold in the wind.

Class News

Year Two

This week, Year 2 have been taking part in some exciting activities in preparation for a Create Day we will be taking part in July. We learned about the UN Convention on the Rights of a Child and created some movements that we will perform. We moved around the hall in different ways, practicing slow, fast, high and low movements. We made some origami boxes and learned a song that we will perform. In English, we have been writing a letter and we wrote some lovely letters about our school trip to Thorndon Park.

Year Three

This week in Year 3, we have been busy and engaged in a variety of different exciting activities!

In English this week, the children have begun writing their independent informal letters to a recipient of their choice; they have written about a gift that was sent to them and giving some fascinating facts about them. Our letters have helped the children's creativity and personal expression through written communication, which is key in developing their language skills. Our young scientists have explored the interesting topic of seed dispersal. To demonstrate their understanding, they unleashed their creativity by designing their own informative posters.

This week in maths, we began exploring time; congratulations to all our children for beginning to master the art of telling time. Learning such an important life skill is crucial, and we are proud of their achievements!

Just a friendly reminder that our much-anticipated Sports Day is just around the corner! Don't forget to dust off those trainers, polish your competitive spirit, and get ready to show off your sporting prowess!

Date: Wednesday 26th June 2024

Time: 13:30 – 15:00

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Year Four

This week, we kicked off our adventures with the T100 Challenge, a fun and engaging outdoor activity. We explored picture clues around our school field, which led us to collect letters that spelled out 'Go Wild'. Some of our classmates had the special role of T100 ambassadors, acting as marshals and guiding us through the event. We enjoyed using the outdoor classroom and the fresh air while learning.

In English, we dived into diary writing using the Write Stuff approach. We focused on expanding our vocabulary and using Sentence Stacking to build our ideas. Our diary entries have been inspired by personal experiences, making our writing more vivid and engaging.

Maths lessons were all about statistics this week. We learned how to read and interpret various types of graphic data. By using tally charts, we collected data and then used this information to create our own line graphs. It was fascinating to see our data visualized in different ways!

Though we can't spill all the details to parents just yet, we've been hard at work in PE, practicing for sports day.

In our Design & Technology class, we took on the exciting task of designing a chassis for push cars. This hands-on project allowed us to apply our creativity and problem-solving skills.

Our French lessons this week focused on learning the names of different items of clothing. We expanded our vocabulary and practiced using these new words in sentences. In music, we learned the song 'Lean on Me' and performed it for a special recording. It was wonderful to come together and create something beautiful as a class.

Lastly, we participated in a colouring competition inspired by the upcoming Olympic and Paralympic Games in Paris. This activity allowed us to express our artistic talents and get excited about the international event!



Class News

Year Five

This week in year 5, we have continued our English work based on the life of German child Rose Blanche, who lived through the Second World War in Germany. We used a variety of figurative devices to show the horror of Concentration Camps.

In Geography, we explored how deserts are used and linked this back to the features we examined last week, with the result being a creative poster based on what we learnt.

During PE, we made our final preparations for Sports Day, and we are all incredibly excited to showcase the new array of events.

Year Six

Over the last few weeks Year 6 have been working hard on their writing in preparation for writing moderation. This week the moderators came into school to do a final assessment of their work. Well done to all of the children – their books looked amazing, and they have worked so hard.

Also this week, rehearsals have been in full swing and the children are making great strides towards the final performance. The singing is sounding beautiful, and the acting is excellent. Well done to all of the children who have been learning their lines at home and know them off by heart! We can't wait for everyone to see it! Here is a sneak peek of some of the props we have been using...





Reach for the Stars



Our 'Stars of the Week' are the children that have gone over and above in their efforts. We are very proud of them for their achievements and thought they deserved an extra-special mention!

RJG	Verity	For making good choices in all areas of her learning.
REC	Daniel C	For his amazing blending.
RES	Edie-Marie	For working hard on her sentence writing.
1GC	Leo	For participating well in class discussions.
1FK	Eva P	For always being kind and considerate amongst her peers.
1BA	Eden	For having an excellent attitude towards learning.
2BG	Affan	For his outstanding effort in writing this week.
2RS	Jenson	For his brilliant effort in reading and writing this week.
2CH	Zahara	For her brilliant effort for telling the time.
2RM	Rayah	For her brilliant attitude for learning.
3VP	Amber G	For her excellent informal letter.
3ML	Daanya N	For always helping her peers.
3SG	Dalaigh	For his outstanding effort when writing his informal letter.
3SA	Henry G	For independent achievements in his writing and expanding vocabulary.
4CP	Kaiden Mc	For being a good friend.
4NM	Grace	For being supportive towards her peers and being a good role model.
4JP	Kymani	For developing self-responsibility towards his learning.
5AB	Joshua	For making improvements with his sentence stacking.
5TH	Mila	For making positive choices during lessons.
5MR	Marnie	For challenging herself to improve her writing.
6LC	Jozy-Belle P	Great participation in play rehearsals.
6NB	Kycson	For thought-provoking questions during PSHE.
6JM	Tia W	For outstanding enthusiasm during play rehearsals.



Maths Marvels



All pupils at East Tilbury Primary have logins for Times Tables Rockstars and are able to log on at home to practice their times tables.

16th June - 21 June 2024



3VP

65

3SG

45

3ML

17

3SA

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16th June - 21 June 2024



4NM

24

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10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

PROMOTING PHYSICAL WELLBEING

Physical activity isn't only beneficial for our bodies; it also plays a role in promoting mental wellbeing. With both the Euros and the Olympics this summer, it's an opportunity to engage young people in regular exercise which can reduce stress, improve mood and boost self-esteem. Despite these benefits, many children face barriers to participating in physical activity.

1 MAKE IT FUN



Incorporate activities that children enjoy, such as playing games or dancing. Encourage participation in team sports or group activities to foster social connections and a sense of belonging.

2 MIX MOVEMENT WITH LEARNING



Educational settings can incorporate movement breaks and physical activities to enhance focus, concentration and cognitive function. Embedding exercise into the curriculum can also reinforce learning and stimulate creativity. 'Revision walks' with podcasts and flashcards can benefit older learners.

3 CREATE OPPORTUNITIES

Provide clear chances for physical activity throughout the day, both indoors and outdoors. Schools can encourage active play during breaks and at lunchtimes, while limiting screen time at home can help keep children up and about.

4 PROVIDE POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT



Praise and encourage children for their efforts and achievements in physical activity. Recognise their progress and celebrate their successes to reinforce positive behaviours. Educators could do this in several ways, such as applauding their efforts at assemblies or celebrating their accomplishments in newsletters.

5 VARIETY IS KEY



Introduce a selection of physical activities to keep children engaged and prevent boredom. From swimming and cycling to yoga and martial arts, trying different types of exercise can help children to discover what they enjoy most.

6 ENJOYMENT OVER COMPETITION



Encourage children to focus on the enjoyment of physical activity rather than winning or achieving perfection. Emphasise effort, improvement and having fun rather than outcomes, to minimise the amount of stress that children can sometimes associate with sports and other competitions.

7 SET REALISTIC GOALS



Help children set achievable physical activity targets based on their interests, abilities and preferences. Celebrate their progress and successes to maintain motivation and enthusiasm.

8 MAKE IT ACCESSIBLE



Ensure that children have access to safe, suitable spaces for exercise at home, at school and in the community. Advocate for inclusive environments which accommodate diverse needs and abilities. Be a change maker in your community if facilities aren't already available.

9 LEAD BY EXAMPLE



Parents and carers can be positive role models by prioritising their own exercise and involving children in their fitness routines. Gentle walks, bike rides or sports activities can be wonderful opportunities for bonding and staying active together.

10 ENCOURAGE PERSISTENCE



Help children develop resilience and perseverance by encouraging them to overcome challenges and setbacks in physical activity. Teach them the importance of perseverance and the value of effort in achieving their goals.

Meet Our Expert

Adam Gillett is a learning and development specialist who, as well as working for Minds Ahead, is associate vice principal for personal development at a large secondary school in Barnsley. He was asked to be part of an expert research group for the Department for Education, one of only three school leaders to be asked to do so.



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Keep in Touch



Our school office is open to receive calls between 8:30am and 3pm.

Tel: 01375 846181
Email: office.etp@osborn
e.coop

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East Tilbury, Essex, RM18
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We are also regularly updating our Facebook page and Twitter feed. Log on and have a look!



Twitter:
@EastTPrimary



At East Tilbury Primary School our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are:

- Mrs Bates
- Mrs Dawson

Due to the size of the school, we have the following designated staff who can deputise in the Headteacher's absence:

- Mr Gowland
- Mrs Jarvis
- Mrs Mylam
- Mrs Allen
- Mrs Sheridan

Pupils can contact any of our Safeguarding Team during the school day.

Worried about a child? You can phone or write to MASH about your concerns. Phone immediately if you believe it is urgent.

Thurrock MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding hub), Civic Offices, New Road, Grays, Essex, RM17 6SL, Tel: 01375 652802. Emergency Duty Team (for out of hours) 01375 372468. · Police Child Abuse Investigation Team 01277 266822 or call 999 if you are concerned a child needs immediate protection. · Childline 0800 11 11 www.childline.org.uk · NSPCC 0808 800 5000 www.nspcc.org.uk; www.facebook.com/nspcc



Tues 14:00-16:00: St. Mary's Church hall, St. Mary's Church, Dock Rd, Grays, RM17 6EX.

Tues 11:00-13:00: St. John the Baptist Church, Tilbury, Dock Road, Tilbury, RM18 7PP

Weds 11:00-13:00: Gateway People's Centre, High Street, Stanford Le Hope, Essex, SS17 0EY

Weds 13:00 -14:30: Sockets Heath Baptist Church, Premier Avenue, Grays, RM16 2SB

Thurs 11:00-13:00: St. Francis Centre, Somerset Rd, Linford, SS17 0QA

Thurs 11:00-13:00: All Saints Church of England, Foyle Drive, Sth Ockendon, RM15 5HF

Fri 10:12:00: St. Stephen's Church of England, London Rd, Purfleet, RM19 1QD





Sat 09:30-11:30: Emmanuel Church of England, Sleepers Farm Rd, Chadwell St. Mary, RM16 4TP

Sat 10:00-12:00: All Saints Church of England, Foyle Drive, Sth Ockendon, RM15 5HF

Sat 10:00-12:00: Christian Gates of Praise International Christian Centre, 79-83 London Rd, RM175YF

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Autumn Term:	Monday 4 September 2023 – Wednesday 20 December 2023 <i>Half Term 23 October – 3 November</i>	73 days
Spring Term:	Thursday 4 January 2024 – Thursday 28 March 2024 <i>Half Term 19 February - 23 February</i>	56 days
Summer Term:	Monday 15 April 2024 – Tuesday 23 July 2024 (22-23 July twilight inset payback) <i>Half Term 27 May – 31 May, and May Bank Holiday - 6 May</i>	66 days
		195 days

	School Holiday
	Additional autumn half term
	Inset days, schools closed to students
	Trust conference, schools closed to students