



Newsletter

11th March 2022

Dear Parents and carers,

It has been another busy week of learning and creative activity at East Tilbury Primary School. Children have enjoyed their lessons and collaborating with one another in our outdoor play spaces.

World Book Day – thank you

As part of our World Book Day activities, we hosted a sponsored read event between Monday 21st February and Friday 4th March 2022. After a successful event, we are pleased to announce an impressive total of £1289.50 has been raised. Thank you to all who have generously donated to help us enhance our reading resources for our pupils; every penny will go towards purchasing brand new books for the children to read, share and enjoy. A huge well done to all our participants, who totalled an extraordinary amount of reading time over the two-week event.

Parent Consultation evenings

Following communication to parents on Monday, we would like to remind you that the booking system for organising your appointments can be found using the link: <https://bit.ly/etpparentc2022>. The booking system will have all the information you need, including the letter sent on Monday and the system for making your booking. We look forward to sharing with you the many successes achieved over the last term.

We wish you a relaxing weekend ahead,

The Leadership Team

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.



A HUGE THANK YOU!

WORLD BOOK DAY 2022

To celebrate World Book Day (Thursday 3rd March 2022) and TO encourage a lifelong love of reading, East Tilbury Primary School hosted a sponsored read event between Monday 21st February and Friday 4th March 2022.

After an incredibly successful event, East Tilbury Primary School are pleased to announce an impressive total of £1289.50 has been raised.

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A huge well done to all our participants, who totalled an extraordinary amount of reading time over the two-week event.

Competition winners will be announced on Wednesday 16th March.

Home Learning

We have some great resources available to support and develop your child's learning at home. Ask your child's class teacher if you need support to login.



Mathletics

ActiveLearn



Young Minds have some top tips for talking to your young person about the events in Ukraine. Please see the link below for more details.

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/blog/top-tips-for-talking-to-your-young-person-about-the-events-in-ukraine/>

**YOUNG
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Important dates:

Friday 11th March - Friday 20th March	Science Week
Friday 18th March	Big Red Day (Red Nose Day)
Monday 21st March — Friday 1st April	The Big Walk and Wheel
Friday 25th March	Curriculum Enrichment Day
Friday 1st April	Biscuit Non-School Uniform Day
Monday 4th April– Monday 18th April 2022	Easter Holidays:
Tuesday 19th April 2022	Children return
Friday 27th May 2022	Biscuit Non-School Uniform Day
Monday 30th May– Friday 3rd June 2022	May Half Term
Monday 6th June 2022	Children return:
Tuesday 19th July 2022	Biscuit Non-School Uniform Day
Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st 2022	Non Pupil days (INSET days)



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Please be advised that due to COVID-19 there have been some changes to our school dates.
All given dates are subject to amendment.

BIG RED DAY

Friday 18th March 2022.

This year for Red Nose Day we are inviting all children to come into school wearing something red to fundraise for Comic Relief.

A voluntary donation can be given to your child's class teacher on the morning of the event.

For this day, the children can wear their own clothes with something red.

This could be anything red, such as a red hair band, a red t-shirt or a whole red outfit!!



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21 March – 1 April 2022

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JOB THE MOVEMENT

Classroom catch up

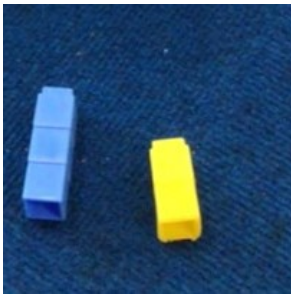
Reception

This week in Reception we have been learning about the book 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley' by Sarah Roberts. For our Literacy work we have been making posters about how to help the ocean. We know that we should throw our rubbish in the bin. We also know that we should recycle and that plastic can be made into new things. We learnt about pollution and how to help our planet for our topic lesson.

We did lots of ocean activities like saving our animals from being tangled in pipe cleaners and making sure all the animals are clean. We also did lots of creative activities like making jellyfish using paper plates and making starfish using our hands.

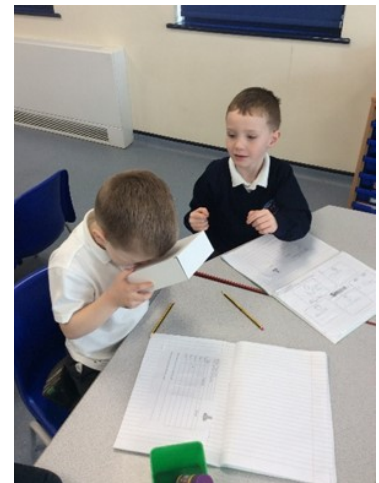
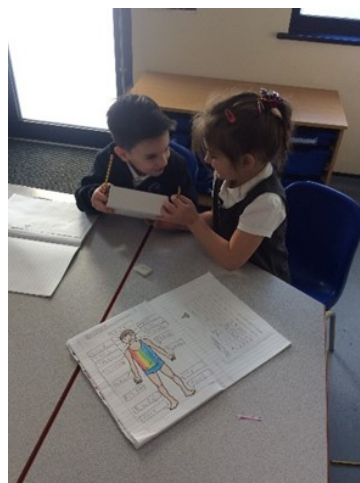
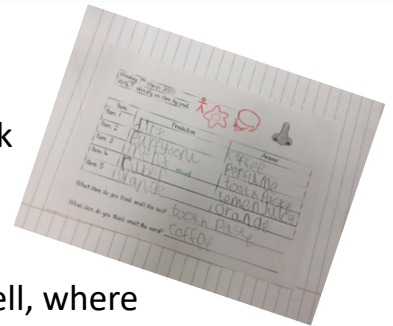
This week RMB and REC went on road safety walks, we learnt all about how to cross the road safely and our grown ups even came with us!

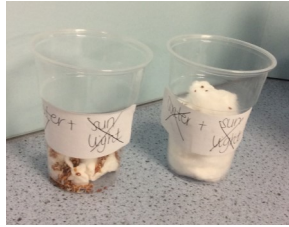
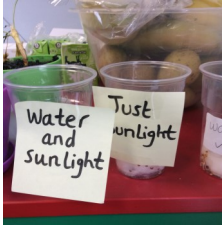
In maths we learnt about how to make different numbers to 10. We used lots of different resources to explore how to make the numbers. Ask us how to make our numbers to 10!



Year 1

This term year 1 have been focusing on the five senses. This week they focused on the sense 'smell' and carried out an experiment to predict what item was in a box. The children were brilliant at guessing what was inside the box just by using their sense of smell, where they got almost all items correct!

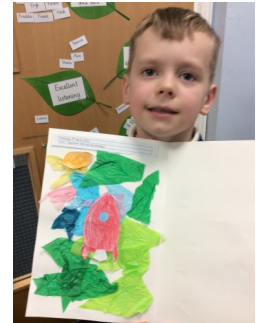




Year 2

In Art, we have continued to add to our Peter Thorpe inspired artwork. We followed a step by step video to create the foreground of our picture. We drew our own rockets to add to our abstract tissue paper backgrounds.

This week we have been learning out what plants need to survive. We predicted what would happen when we exposed plants to four different conditions (with sunlight and water, without water and sunlight, with water and without sunlight, and without water and with sunlight). After making predictions we planted cress seeds in each of the conditions. We look forward to seeing the results!

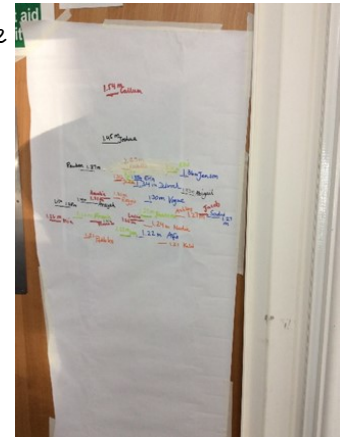


In music we have been developing our knowledge of tempo and dynamics by using our musical notation to play a range of percussion instruments.

Year 3

Another week has gone by and Year 3 have been busy, at the beginning of the week we consolidated our knowledge of 'Prepositions'. Luckily, it had stopped raining and we had fun giving instructions to our partners in the play-ground. Can you spot the prepositions? "Walk forward, until you reach the shelter, step inside, stand on the bench, look through the window and share a smile!"

In English, having been inspired by David Attenborough's commitment and campaigning to save our oceans and the wildlife within it, we are becoming campaigners ourselves; this week we have been researching the effects of plastic pollution on our environment, we wrote a class poem to show how this global environmental issue makes us feel. Next week we will be writing our own persuasive speeches to make others aware too.



In Maths, we started a unit on measurements, initially focusing on measuring length in centimetre and metre.

In 3 NM we measured each other and then used our recent acquired skill of reading charts to answer questions relating to our heights.



Year 4 have had an immersive creative experience throughout this week with designing and creating a theatre box, based on Alice in Wonderland, as part of a Royal Opera House project.

Through this half term, pupils have looked at areas of a theatre, considering what it may be like to be a performer and how a designer contributes to a production. In previous weeks, pupils sketched ideas, sequenced stories, and created freeze frames. This assisted pupils with utilising a range of vocabulary which has contributed to their written work.

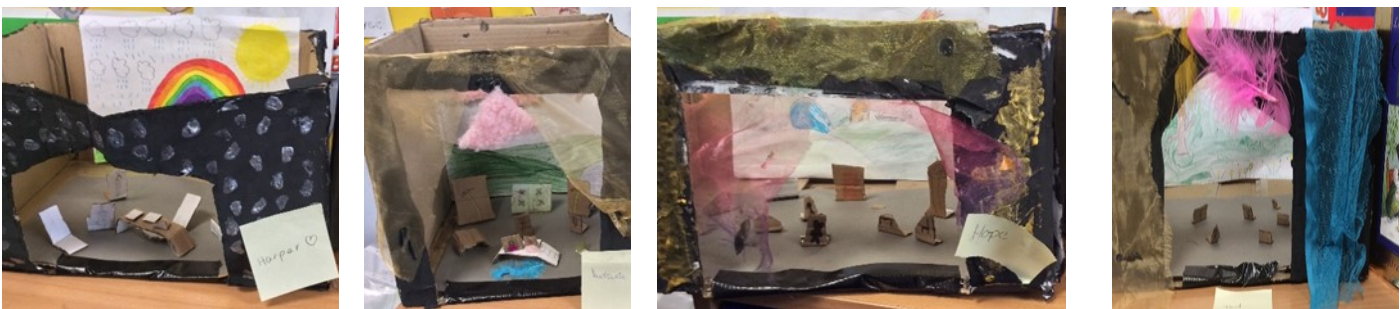
After reflecting on the story, pupils created a mood board to capture a scene before beginning to design using their thumb to enable them to produce objects to an appropriately sized scale. Our engaging project reached a crescendo this week as pupils repurposed used cardboard boxes to begin their creations.

First, pupils removed surplus box flaps and cut an arch before covering the box in paper. It has probably not gone unnoticed by parents of children in Year 4 that this week has involved painting as the transformation got underway.

Next, pupils created a back cloth by combining inspiration from illustrations from the book, Disney and other artists with their own ideas.

Finally, the pupils were ready to fit out their boxes with their own custom to-scale furnishings and customised features including fabric curtains, gold paint and silver trim. Whilst the pupils began this process with the same input, stimulus, and inspiration the end results have been as unique and individual as our pupils are.

Each of the pupil's work is an incredible demonstration and testament to their imagination, creativity and determination. Throughout this process pupils have shown self-responsibility for their progress alongside equality in sharing resources. The Year 4 team are proud of what the children have achieved and hope that you will be to.



Year 5 PE – Cricket skills.

In year 5 we have been honing our cricket skills, through catching, batting, bowling and fielding. We have been showing excellent techniques and accuracy, a special mention needs to go to DT in 5th, and BB in 5BG:

During history this week, we have been continuing researching the Maya civilisation, we looked at some of the different scenarios as to how the Maya civilisation ended, - the scenarios that were researched were pandemic, Spanish invasion, lack of resources, environmental factors and civil war. To complete the task, we used a range of cross-curricular skills including inference skills, to deduce the information.

In art the children completed a fact file on the talented artist Andy Warhol. Pictures were also drawn of some of his famous art work (Campbell's soup and Marilyn Monroe). Some of the best pieces of work were placed on display. Finally all of year 5 have completed the road safety.

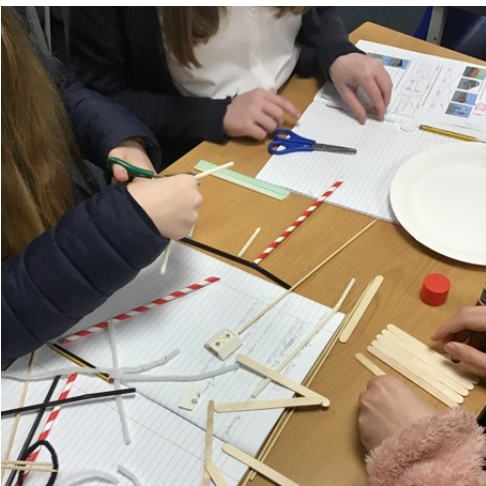


Year 6

In history this week, we learned and mimed the myth surrounding Medusa— one of the three monstrous Gorgons— and Athena—the Goddess of wisdom and war. We discovered that the Parthenon (located in Greece's capital city, Athens) was built to honour the ancient Greek goddess Athena. Amazingly, the building still stands today; it was built, along with many other buildings, on a rocky hill called the Acropolis in Athens.



Although we were unable to locate 22,000 tonnes of marble to re-create our own Parthenon, we became builders and engineers to attempt to build our own versions of the Parthenon using a range of different resources as a tribute to the war goddess.



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	Esme B	For being kind to her friends
RMB	Dilreet	For showing a positive attitude towards her learning.
RFC	Sara	For excellent independent work in Literacy.
REC	Abdul-Qahhar	For independently recognising the sounds in CVC words
1CH	Melissa O	For always supporting and encouraging her peers to succeed.
1GC	Phoebe	For her excellent contributions during class discussions.
1FK	Joey K	For making positive choices in school.
1BA	Jenson D	For having a positive attitude towards his learning.
2VC	Elena	Positively contributing to class discussions.
2RS	Darcie	For creating a lovely piece of artwork in the style of Peter Thorpe.
2NL	Sara E	For her fantastic effort and enthusiasm in all areas of her learning.
3RM	Rejus G	For his amazing attitude to learning this week
3SH	Adam E	For establishing himself as a positive role model – respectful and always ready to learn.
3NM	Arayah	For being a positive influence on her peers always approaching and finishing the day with a smile
4JP	Esmae	for great participation and focus throughout our Royal Opera House project
4MR	Jozy B	For an outstanding theatre model box.
4SA	Patrick B	For creating an outstanding model box , paying close attention to set design, proportions and scale.
5CP	Anar O	For working hard in maths
5BG	Amy B	For mastering problem solving in maths.
5NB	Emily S	For an outstanding effort in maths.
5TH	Amreen H	For an outstanding effort across all subjects
6LC	Riley R, Carter H, Ryan P	For creating an excellent 'Parthenon' out of Lego
6VP	Jude B	For writing a hilarious set of instructions
6JM	Joel S	For leadership and creativity in building 'The Parthenon'

Maths Marvels



Well done 571 with an amazing 571 points this week!

Who will be our TT Rock Stars leaders next week?



A huge well done to 3NM who currently have the most points for this year!

Well done to everyone who has accessed Mathletics this year so far!

All classes	Activity points	Skill Quests points	Live points	Total points	Bronze	Silver	Gold
3NM	162950	65070	12887	240907	50	8	2
4JP	79960	7140	15984	103084	28	3	0
RFC	46280	0	20	46300	12	1	0
4SA	42630	800	1162	44592	21	4	1
4MR	38740	3060	1613	43413	23	4	1
1FK	36840	0	1435	38275	16	2	0
3SH	34110	4180	84132	122422	23	4	0
1BA	30080	0	361	30441	15	4	0
2RS	27760	3650	77	31487	15	3	0
2VC	26950	6860	3516	37326	18	4	1
RJG	23190	0	0	23190	7	0	0
RFC	22500	0	64	22564	6	0	0
REC	22500	0	64	22564	6	0	0
RMB	18040	0	155	18195	5	0	0

COMMIT TO BE FIT!

PE Days

Monday—2VC, 2RS, 4MR and 4SA

Tuesday—1BA, 4JP, 5NB and 5CP

Wednesday—RT, RB, 1GC, 1CH, 1FK, 5BG and 5TH

Thursday—3SH, 3RM, 3NM and 2NL

Friday—RC, RG, 6JM, 6LC and 6VP

BE ACTIVE KIDS®

Be Active Kids has some great resources which can be used at home to get children active ... including some wet weather ideas!

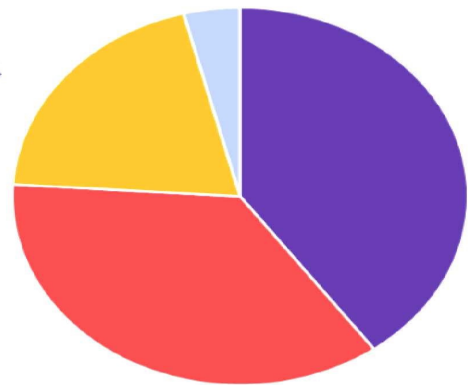
<http://www.beactivekids.org/resources/handouts/>



ETPS PFA Update



Splitting the £1.00



- **40p** goes to our school
- **36p** goes to cash prizes
- **20p** goes to admin costs
- **4p** goes to VAT

How it works...

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to East Tilbury Primary School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online at YourSchoolLottery.co.uk by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to East Tilbury Primary School

The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means
= £30 weekly cash prize
= £2,080 a year for our school



To start supporting, visit:
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and search for: **East Tilbury Primary**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older



ETPS PFA Update



**YOUR
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**WIN A
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- Help give our fundraising a much needed boost
- Tickets cost £1 each
- Cash prize every week
- Win up to £25,000

To support your school, go to:
YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/play
and search for: East Tilbury Primary



Players must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 23rd Apr 2022. T&Cs apply (see website for details).



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about



YUBO



Yubo is a social networking platform where users can chat and livestream with up to 10 friends at once. People can connect with others based on location, with a Tinder-style 'swiping' mechanism to accept or reject someone based on their profile pictures. The app has approximately 50 million users worldwide – but despite its popularity, Yubo has not been free from controversy. While the app claims to monitor inappropriate content, a newspaper investigation in early 2022 found young users being exposed to sexual harassment, racism, bullying and conversations with adult themes.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

FLIMSY AGE GATES

Yubo states it is only for over 13s, but there is no credible age-gate to prevent an even younger child joining the platform. An undercover journalist investigating dangerous content reported spending 10 days posing as a 15-year-old on the app without any age verification. This flaw, and the fact that it's impossible to verify a user's true identity on Yubo, raises serious concerns over potential grooming.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Yubo has experienced problems with inappropriate content being displayed to children and teens. Although the app's developers claim to monitor profiles and messages for adult-themed or unsuitable material, a *Sunday Times* investigation found young users being exposed to sexual harassment, racism and bullying, with many chats referencing self-harm, suicide and drug use.

LIVESTREAM RISKS

Due to Yubo's lax age verification, children are able to launch live video streams which strangers can then view and interact with via real-time text chat. Not only is the thought of strangers watching children's livestreams extremely worrying (they could also use these as a means to establish the child's location) but text chats might result in a young person disclosing personal information.



ON AIR

BULLYING POTENTIAL

Yubo users 'swipe' to accept or decline the chance to talk with each other. These decisions are entirely based on someone's profile picture, raising the potential for children to be left with low self-esteem if declined repeatedly. Negative feedback about their appearance can seriously damage a child's emotional wellbeing, causing a loss of confidence in how they look or how interesting they are.

EXTENSIVE ACCESS

Users of Yubo, no matter what their age, are required to grant access to their device's microphone and GPS. This means they are potentially revealing highly sensitive information, including their exact location. In addition, new users of the app are asked to provide personal details such as their name, date of birth and phone number, which – in the case of young people – represents a clear risk.

'GATEWAY' EFFECT

Yubo's swiping system (right for 'yes'; left for 'no') works much like Tinder and various other dating apps. This could lead to children exploring similarly designed apps that aren't intended for a young audience. Users can also link their Yubo account to social media such as Snapchat and Instagram, making it easier for a stranger to track them down on various platforms.

Advice for Parents & Carers

DISCOURAGE USE

We don't often advise totally avoiding an app, but due to the concerns that Yubo has generated of late (the February 2022 *Sunday Times* expose and a recent abduction case in which the alleged perpetrator met a teenage girl through the app) and the fact that inappropriate content has been proved to be circulating on the platform, you may decide that the safest option is to dissuade your child from downloading it altogether.

STAY AWARE

It's important to stay attuned to how your child is using social media. If they only access Yubo in private, for example, you might reasonably question what they're potentially using it for. It's also important to watch for warning signs that they may be over-using the app: prioritising it over everyday routines like meals and homework, for instance, or showing signs of irritability and a lack of concentration.

DISCUSS IN ADVANCE

If your child is absolutely determined to join Yubo (perhaps their friends all use the platform, for instance), then it's essential to talk to them about the dangers of this type of app *before* they install it. It's vital they understand not to disclose personal information to people they don't know, for example, and that they're warned about the type of mature content they may be exposed to on the app.

ALTER THE SETTINGS

After the recent high-profile controversies surrounding the app, Yubo's developers have increased its security controls. Users can now choose to block profiles, screen out nudity in live streams and keep their location private. There's also an option to report inappropriate content, so make sure your child knows that they can now flag up anything they find disturbing via the app's Safety Centre.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with a track record of more than 10 years in the industry. Previously the editor of tech tabloid *The Inquirer*, Carly is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant.



LOCATIONS



National Online Safety®

#WakeUpWednesday



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Do you receive any of the following?

- Income support
- Employment Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and your income (as calculated by the Inland Revenue) is less than £16,190
- Universal Credit
- Receiving support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act of 1999
- In the Armed Forces

If you can answer yes to any of the above you may qualify for free school meals/Pupil Premium

The school office will help with your application. If your application is successful not only will your child receive free school meals, but our school will receive £1,300 additional funding (per child). This is called Pupil Premium.

All applications are confidential.





East Tilbury Primary School Pre-Loved Uniform Shop.



The shop will be open every Tuesday & Friday morning between 8.30 & 9.15am.

We have the following items in stock at affordable prices:

School logo jumpers & cardigans £2.50 each

Plain navy jumpers & cardigans £1.00 each

Grey School Trousers £1.50 each

Grey skirts & pinafore dresses £1.50 each

Summer Dresses £1.50

Polo T-Shirts £1.00 each

Boys & Girls smart shirts £1.00 each

Warm winter coats £3.50-£5.00 each

St Clere's Blazers £5.00 each

Shoes & Plimsolls from £1.00

PE Shorts and T-shirts £1.00 each

PE Tracksuits £1.50-£3.00

For those parents that cannot get into the shop but are in need of uniform you can also drop us a message on office.etp@osborne.coop and we can source the uniform you require and get it delivered locally to you or arrange collection at the school office.

All the money raised from the uniform shop is put back into supporting families in our local community or into buying resources for the children to use within our Well-being hubs or on the playground.

Please keep us in mind if you have any good quality uniform that your child no longer needs that you would be happy to donate. We would be so grateful for any donations so that we can keep offering this service to our school community.

All donations can be dropped into the school reception or handed to a member of staff at the gate.



Thurrock
Teacher Training

Schools Direct Salaried

- One year school based training
- In partnership with TES Institute (accrediting provider for QTS)
- Paid as an Unqualified Teacher
- Learn to teach with a qualified teacher present to observe at least weekly your lessons
- School pay your fees
- 50% of teaching timetable for the first term
- One 'TES day' weekly for the on line content
- Gain Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and an optional postgraduate certificate in education (PGCE)

You will need;

- A standard equivalent to a grade 4 in the GCSE examinations in English and mathematics (and Science if you are training to teach at primary level).
- A first degree* of a UK higher education institution or equivalent qualification



Schools Direct Fee funded (unsalaried) for Primary and Secondary

- One year school-based training
- In partnership with TES Institute (accrediting provider for QTS)
- Learn to teach with a qualified teacher present in every lesson
- Pay TES fees of £8,625 incl VAT leading to QTS only **OR** £9,250 incl VAT leading to QTS and a PGCE.
- Gain Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and an optional postgraduate certificate in education (PGCE)

ITT bursaries;

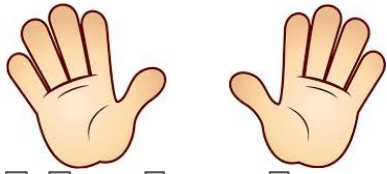
- Depending on the subject you wish to teach and whether you meet the eligibility criteria, you may be eligible to receive a tax-free ITT training bursary from the DfE.
- For more information on funding please visit the following website <https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-your-training>

Full programme overview can be found here

<https://www.tes.com/institute/school-direct-itt-programme>



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Help is at hand

Keep in touch!

We are missing being in contact but do not forget we are still here to help where we can.



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

Tel: 01375 846181

Email: office.etp@osborne.coop



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Princess Margaret Road
East Tilbury, Essex, RM18 8SB



We are also regularly updating our Facebook page and Twitter feed.

Log on and have a look!



Twitter: [@EastTPPrimary](https://twitter.com/EastTPPrimary)

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 Head of School's absence:

◇ Mr Gowland

◇ Dr. Emmanuel

◇ Mr Bennett

◇ Mrs Jarvis

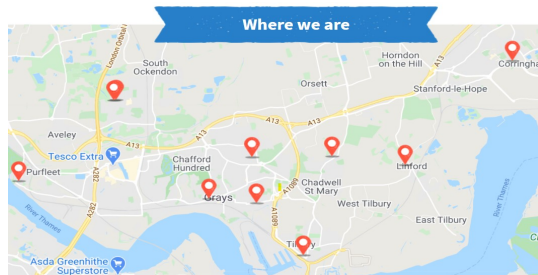
◇ Mrs Mylam

◇ Mrs Stevens is the EYFS Designated Lead.

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 \[www.childline.org.uk\]\(http://www.childline.org.uk\) · NSPCC 0808 800 5000 \[www.nspcc.org.uk\]\(http://www.nspcc.org.uk\); \[www.facebook.com/nspcc\]\(https://www.facebook.com/nspcc\)](#)



LOCATIONS

Here are the opening times and locations for our foodbank centres. Everyone who comes to the foodbank for

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

Weds 09:30-12:00: Thurrock Christian Fellowship, 2-4 Chase Rd, Corringham, S17 7QH

Weds 13:30-15:00: 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, Grays, RM 17 5YF