



Newsletter

18th March 2022

Dear Parents/carers,

It was great to see so many children dressed in red today in support of Red Nose Day. Thank you for all your £1 contributions which will go straight to the charity to help fund support for those in need across the country and abroad.

Parent Consultation phone calls

The teaching staff are looking forward to speaking with you over the coming few weeks, to share the successes and next steps for your children in their learning. As a reminder, at the time of your appointment be ready to answer an incoming call. If you miss this call please do not call back, the teacher will wait two minutes and then call you again. If you do not pick up on the second call, unfortunately the teacher won't be able to hold the meeting with you. The children and teachers have all been working very hard and they look forward to being able to talk with you during your meeting slot. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Pupil Survey

Over the last two weeks we have conducted a survey of the children to find out about their own experiences of school. Here are the headlines:

83% of children said that they enjoy playtimes all of the time or most of the time

85% of children said that school helps them to understand how to value people that are different to them

82% of children said that teachers help them to do their best all the time or most of the time

90% of children said that they enjoy school

World Book day money raised

Last week we wrote to thank the school community for raising £1200 towards the purchase of new books. We are delighted to inform you that since then we have received additional sponsorship money and our total now stands at an amazing £1800! This is such an incredible effort by those involved and it will be put straight into the purchase of fun, high quality reading material for the children.

We hope you have a relaxing weekend ahead and the nice weather continues!

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.



If you are in receipt of Free School Meals, you should be receiving a HAF (Holiday Activity and Food) voucher today that will enable you free access to [Essex ActivAte](#) activities over the Easter break. If you are unsure how to activate the voucher, please use this link

<https://help.evouchers.com/hc/en-gb/articles/4529534704529-How-to-claim-your-HAF-voucher>

If you can't find the email with the voucher, please check your junk folder. All vouchers have been sent out using the email address that you provided to the school.

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.



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/>



Important dates:

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)



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



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**BIG WALK
AND WHEEL**
21 March - 1 April 2022

**Go on an amazing
journey every day**

- ✓ Be active and feel more energised
- ✓ Help the environment by replacing a car journey
- ✓ Help your school win some fantastic prizes

Are you taking part in the UK's biggest walking, wheeling,
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21 March - 1 April 2022

www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk

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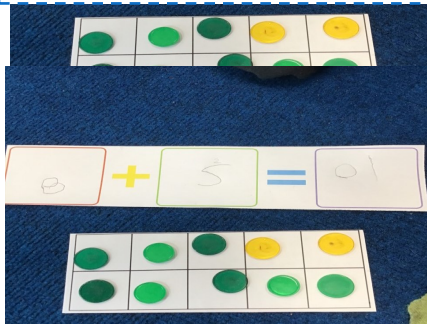
Classroom catch up

Reception

This week in Reception we have been reading 'Sharing a Shell' by Julia Donaldson. We talked about what the moral of the story was, what this meant and why it is good to share. We have helped design a new shell for the crab using our phonics skills to help us write a short sentence to describe it using adjectives.

In Maths we have been looking at addition. We have learnt what + and = mean, how to read a number sentence and even how to write one. We have been using lots of different resources to help us with our counting and even started to work out trickier numbers as well as using a number line.

For Science Week this week we have enjoyed becoming gardeners and making our own glove greenhouses. We worked in groups to put the seeds in each of the fingers and have enjoyed watching them grow.



growth



Year One

Year One have enjoyed taking part in lots of activities for Science week, exploring the theme 'Growth'. We started the week by discussing the theme and thought about all of the different things that can grow. We then created a poster to show our understanding of growth.

We also became explorers and went outside on a minibeast hunt to see how many different minibeasts we could find. We had so much fun!



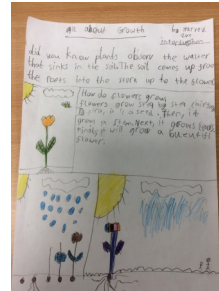
In Maths this week, we have had lots of fun exploring capacity and volume. We worked in groups to compare the capacity of a range of containers using water and rice. We labelled each container using the words 'empty', 'nearly empty', 'half full', 'nearly full' and 'full'.

Year 2

It's science week and our theme this year is growth! So we designed and made posters about growth, whether that be how plants grow or how animals and babies grow.

It was also the final week of observing our lovely Iris Hollandica plants! We have been caring for our 'Iris's' for 5 weeks now and have been lucky enough to watch it grow and change over the weeks.

In our final science lesson, we learnt about worms. We looked at the three types of worm; what they look like, what they eat and where to find them. We then went outside and investigated the types worms we could find. This was lots of fun!



Year 4 - Science Week



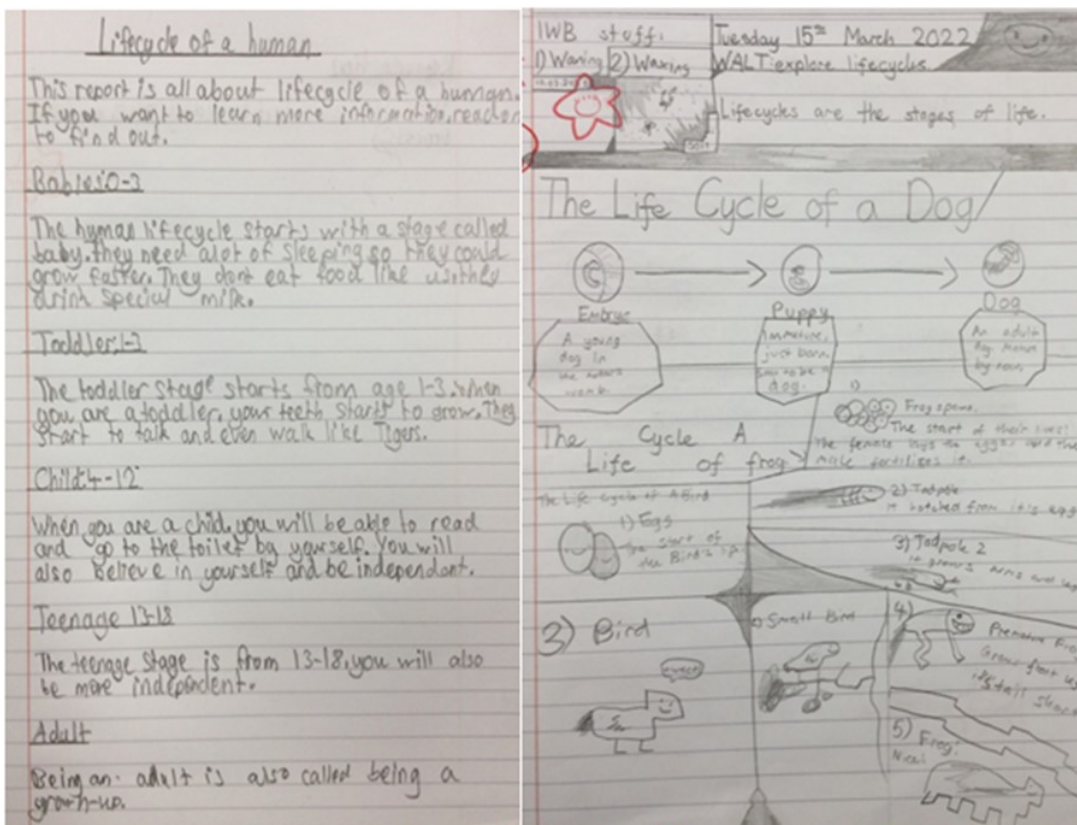
As well as designing posters about 'Growth' for a national competition, completing a live lesson about climate change and discussing the plant we have been looking after this term, Year 4 also created nests after researching Gentoo penguins. They had to consider materials and position and have been left around the school with a real egg inside. We wonder which nest will be best.



Science Week in Year Five: Life and Growth

This week across East Tilbury Primary School has been 'Science Week' (if it hasn't been mentioned in this very newsletter already), which Year Five have embraced in a number of ways. Inspired by the theme of 'Life and Growth', the inquisitive year group have investigated life cycles of all living things, namely animals, humans and plants. This has not only been through a theoretical standpoint, the pupils and adults have benefited from live lessons (via video) and taking care of their very own class plant over the previous six weeks. Furthermore, they have drawn upon their own reflections of life and nature to help them reason the changes over time to living things that surround us as well as in our own lives.

Below are just some snippets of the learning that has transpired over the week (including 5NB's plants):



In addition to 'Science Week', Year Five have been creating non-chronological reports and proposals in English, as well as decimals and division in mathematics. Next week, the year group will be delving deeper into narrative and storytelling techniques, with rumour of a mystery lurking on the horizon...

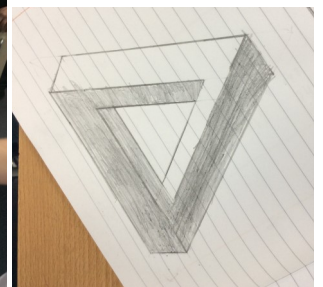
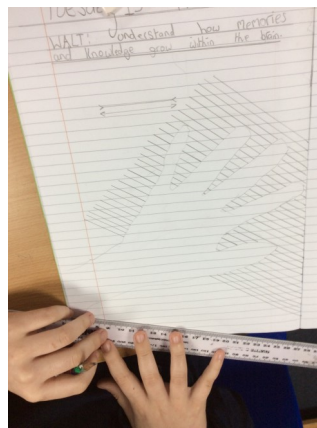
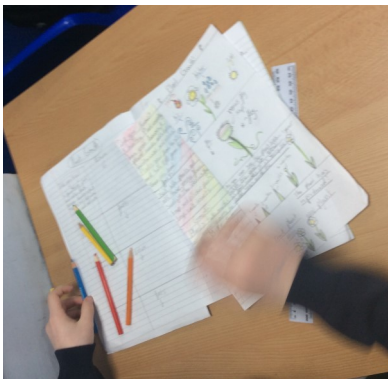
Year 6

This week in Year 6, we have been celebrating British Science Week 2022. This year's theme is 'Growth'. 'Growth' can be applied to various themes of science and the world around us; from plant growth to population growth and even growth mindset. In year 6 this week, we have been involved in a variety of activities all related to growth.

Firstly, we have been continuing to watch our Spring bulbs grow and keeping track of their growth in our science books.

On Monday, we were introduced to the British Science Week topic and explored a variety of themes to use as a basis for an informative poster. All of the children in the school will be creating a poster, and 5 will be selected to enter into the British Science Week poster competition!

On Tuesday, we explored growth within the brain. To understand how connections are made between neurons, and how we learn, we created a class 'connectome' by passing string around the classroom. We also played short term memory games like 'I went to the shop...' to understand the difference between our short term and long term memories. We then explored how our brains can be tricked with optical illusions and even created our own!



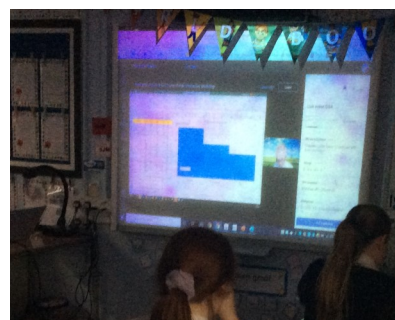
On Wednesday and Thursday we participated in live virtual lessons: one with measurement experts at the NPL, exploring how wide and fast our hands are; and one with the NFU, exploring animal life cycles at a farm.

Wednesday 16th March 2022
 WALT: Investigate 'How fast and how wide is your hand?'
 Name Dominant Non Dominant Widest

Amelia	19cm	18cm	5
Yara	15cm	15cm	5
Abbie	13.5cm	12cm	4
Mia	15.5cm	15.5cm	5

Toy	Dominant	Non Dominant
1	8cm	10cm
2	27cm	23cm
3	26cm	18.5cm
4	22cm	22cm
Average	20.5	18.25

127	74	53
116	8	13
82	8.2	4.2
74		7.3



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	Harper C	Writing a great sentence to describe a shell
RMB	Fareeda	For being a kind and supportive friend.
RFC	Raya	For her effort in her writing.
REC	Ryan M	For his positive attitude towards school.
1CH	Frankie	For great improvement in his phonics.
1GC	George	For always trying his best.
1FK	Bailee	For creating a lovely and detailed science poster about growth.
1BA	Siyon	For his excellent contributions in Maths and phonics lessons this week.
2VC	George	For great effort in all subjects.
2RS	Inaaya	For writing a great recount about astronaut training.
2NL	Gabriel A	For trying his best to have a positive mindset.
3SH	Amelia H-C	For showing kindness and supporting her peers.
3NM	Reggie	For his determination and great efforts to write a persuasive speech to stop Plastic Pollution
4JP	Abigail J	For great note taking during our RE lesson, comparing milestones in Christianity, Judaism and Hinduism
4MR	Nicole W	For an inventive poster design about growth, for science week.
4SA	Lacey S	For working exceptionally hard across all subjects and producing great work!
5CP	Thomas W	For great effort during science this week.
5BG	Holly T	For a great effort during science this week.
5NB	Lilly R	For her outstanding enthusiasm towards her lessons.
5TH	Archie R	For excellent use of questioning during science week.
6LC	Pippa Y	For writing an amusing set of instructions for how to annoy your teacher
6VP	Mason	For a hilarious set of instructions
6JM	Bella F	For a humorous set of instructions

Maths Marvels



Well done 6VP with an amazing 360 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	167150	66310	12887	246347	51	8	2
4JP	80950	7140	17991	106081	28	3	0
RFC	47450	0	20	47470	12	1	0
4SA	43810	800	1194	45804	22	4	1
4MR	38840	3160	1732	43732	23	4	1
1FK	38680	0	1466	40146	17	2	0
3SH	34510	4180	85515	124205	23	4	0
1BA	32150	0	687	32837	16	4	0
2RS	27760	3650	77	31487	15	3	0
2VC	26950	6860	4015	37825	18	4	1
RJG	23190	0	0	23190	7	0	0
REC	22770	0	64	22834	6	0	0
5CP	19940	3100	5027	28067	7	1	0



Short Term and Working Memory

Children can be forgetful at times especially when it comes to uninteresting tasks, such as brushing their teeth. Although there is often nothing to worry about, there are other skills that your child will need as they grow older requiring effective use of their memory skills. Having good memory skills is one way for them to stay organised and remember all sorts of information without writing everything down. So how can you improve your child's memory skills? There are different and numerous approaches to help your child enhance their memory skills.

Why not give some of these games a try:

- Kim's Game – Place a number of objects on a tray (these can be general items or items of interest ie their favourite toys). Allow your child to look at the objects for a fixed period of time and then cover them over. What items can they remember?
- What's missing? Set the tray up in the game above but this time take an item away. Ask your child what item is missing. Alternatively, you can add an item. Can they tell what is different?
- Memory cards – Using a normal deck of playing cards or matching pictures, turn them face down and ask them to turn them over to find the matching pair.
- Memory bag – Place a number of objects in a bag. Pull out one object at a time and place them in front of your child. When all objects have been displayed, put them back into the bag and ask them to pull them out in the same order (they can look at the objects or use touch to identify them).
- I went to the... The first person uses the statement 'I went to the...' (you can choose a place ie supermarket/football stadium/zoo etc) . The next repeats the statement and names the first person's answer followed by their own...and so on. If you want to make the game more difficult, you can use the alphabet, starting each answer with the next letter in chronological order.



Whole School Nurture Approach

This term has seen a development in the Wellbeing Hub, with it now been open each day for lunch. It has been wonderful to see so many children access this brilliant provision.

Today as a school we have raised money for Comic Relief with our Big Red Day. They have resources available focused on talking about mental health, supporting children and young people, help with food and shelter and much more.

Please find a link below to support resources.

<https://www.comicrelief.com/support>

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/>



KS2 Cross Country Results

Well done to all of the pupils that completed the cross country race. They all did extremely well.

Below are the final results.

- 1st place- Bath (green)
- 2nd place - Warwick (yellow)
- 3rd place - Cambridge (red)
- 4th place - Oxford (blue)





**ALL STARS
GIRLS AND BOYS
STARTING**
6/5/22 18:30
Reception – Year 2

ALL SUMMER



www.allstarscricket.co.uk
www.dynamoscricquet.co.uk



ORSETT & THURROCK CRICKET CLUB



GIRLS DYNAMOS STARTING
9/5/22 18:30
Year 3 – Year 6

BOOK ONLINE



ETPS PFA Update



SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY

£1 per week

Weekly cash prizes

£25,000 jackpot



Splitting the £1.00

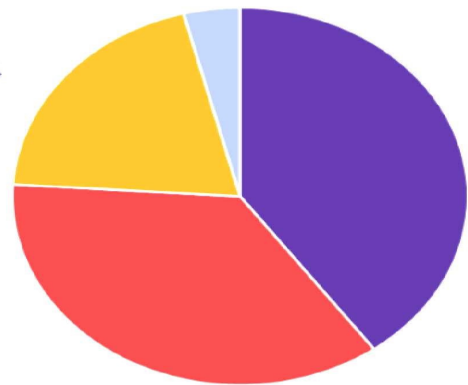
How it works...

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



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

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



To start supporting, visit:
yourschoollottery.co.uk
and search for: **East Tilbury Primary**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older



ETPS PFA Update



YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY



WIN
A WHEELIE AWESOME PRIZE!



WIN A
£500
BIKE
VOUCHER

- 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).



BRIGHTEN SOMEONE'S DAY ONLINE

Tiny actions can have a huge impact! Here are our suggestions for making someone smile online!

VIDEO
CALL A
RELATIVE

SHARE
UPBEAT
PLAYLISTS

SHARE A
FUNNY
POST

SHARE
THROWBACK
PHOTOS

BE KIND
IN THE
COMMENTS

PLAY
GAMES
WITH
MATES

SEND
HAPPY
VOICE
NOTES

SEND
A KIND
MESSAGE

Share posts
FROM YOUR FAVOURITE
CHARITIES

Share
GOOD
NEWS

COMIC
RELIEF

RED
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DAY



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#WakeUpWednesday



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;

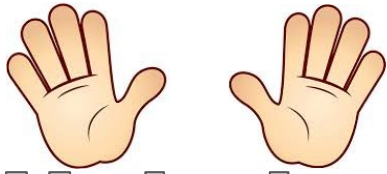
- Depending on the subject you wish to teach and whether you meet the eligibility criteria, you may be eligible to receive a tax-free ITT training bursary from the DfE.
- For more information on funding please visit the following website <https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-your-training>

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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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

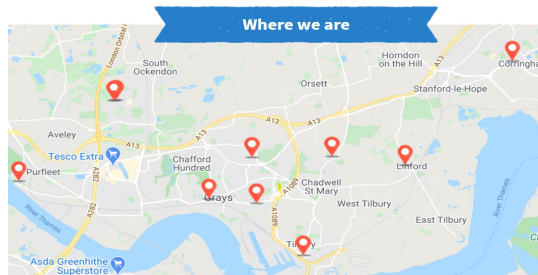
◇ Mrs Mylam

◇ 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