



# Newsletter

25th June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the midpoint of this busy half-term, it is important to recognise all the hard work the children have continued to put into their learning. Our staff continue to work exceptionally hard to deliver the best learning experience for your children.

## National 'thank a teacher day'

You may have noticed from our Facebook feed, that this week saw many of our pupils giving a special thank you message to the staff team. All our staff greatly appreciated the messages received from the children and it certainly brightened up their day.

## Councillor visit

Following the information sent out to you last week relating to transport and travelling to school, we were pleased to be able to meet with Councillors Sue Sammon, East Tilbury Ward Councillor, and Barry Johnson, the new Cabinet member for Children's Services and Education, today. This was an opportunity for us as a school leadership to share our concerns and suggestions for how we can make the journey to and from school as safe as possible for our families and to discuss the approaches we use in school.

## E-safety

Please continue to be vigilant with your children's use of the internet. We continue to receive information from parents and children of inappropriate material being accessed from innocent searches on google and online shopping sites such as Amazon. Please remember that devices don't come with security and filter settings set appropriately for children, these need to be set up. Guidance and support on this matter can be found at <https://www.childnet.com>.

## Special visit

Next week we will be welcoming Lance Corporal Seeley and his colleagues from the Coldstream Guards to work with our year 6 children. This will involve a number of assemblies and workshops where the children will learn about keeping safe as they get older and what it is like to be a member of the Queen's Guard.

We hope that you have an enjoyable weekend,

The Leadership Team

## Important dates:

### Summer Term

**Non-pupil day:** 22nd July 2021

**End of term holiday:** Fri 23rd July-Tues 31st August 2021

**Non-pupil day:** Weds 1st Sept 2021 (Trust conference)

**Non pupil days:** Thurs 2nd and Fri 3rd Sept 2021

**Children return:** Monday 6th September 2021

Please be aware that if you take holiday during this time, you will be subject to a penalty fine. This is school policy for all holiday applications during term time.



Please be advised that due to COVID-19 there have been some changes to our school dates.

All given dates are subject to amendment.

As some of you may already know, a lovely lady named Sadie led a stone painting workshop based on the themes for our area, 'empathy and achievement'. The stones have been hidden around the Bata Memorial park with the hope that young people from the school can find them. If you have found any of these stones, please comment on our Facebook post about the stones with the value (word) represented on the stone.

There are 24 stones hidden in total.  
Get hunting!



### A Message from East Tilbury

Library....

East Tilbury Library is now open for customers to come in and browse for books and to use the public PCs. We are open Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 – 1, 2 – 5, and Saturday mornings 10 – 1

Customers can also pick up Hearing Aid batteries and apply for a Bus Pass. We look forward to welcoming you back!

**Address** The Pyramid Resource Centre  
Heath Road, Chadwell St Mary, Essex, RM16 4XH

**Website:** [www.thurrockplaynetwork.co.uk](http://www.thurrockplaynetwork.co.uk)

**Telephone:** 01375 387738

**Email:** [tpn@btconnect.com](mailto:tpn@btconnect.com)



Thurrock Play Network (TPN) is a small local non-profit charity that provides advice, support and resources for play and recreation in the community. We give advice and support to individuals, voluntary groups and organisations. One huge part of TPN is The Pyramid Resource Centre....

**The Pyramid Resource Centre** houses some amazing scrap materials such as;  
Foam, Card, Netting, Wood, Foil, Paper, Wool, Cutlery, Fabric, Plastic containers, Leather, Wadding, Wire, Ribbon, Buttons, Lace and much, much more which can be used for a range of different things.

### **CALLING ALL PARENTS AND CARERS**

**Does your child have a homework project you need materials for?**

Do you love arts and crafts!

Need some supplies for junk modelling?

**WANT TO EXPLORE YOUR HOBBIES?**

**\*Membership Fee Required\***

Becoming a member is easy and simple, pop in or get in touch for more information

### **Opening Times**

Wednesday 12 noon – 4.30pm, Thursday 10am – 3pm, Friday 10am – 3pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month 10am – 1pm

# Essex ACTIVate



Active Essex is offering a range of ActivAte clubs over the summer!

These clubs are completely free for young people who are eligible for benefits based free school meals, as well as children from working families who would benefit from this additional support.

Clubs will feature fun physical and enrichment activities, as well as nutrition education. Plus, each child will receive a tasty, nutritious lunch!



## Mental Wellbeing Hubs

Delivering supported activities over shorter sessions, in smaller groups. Activities will be sensitive to the children's needs, focusing on gentle social transition and coping exercises to help with the move back to community engagement.

## SEND Activity Hubs

There will be SEND Hubs across Essex, delivering specialist workshops. These will provide coaching and inclusive physical and enrichment activities for SEND pupils, to ensure they get the best out of their summer!

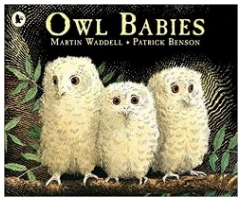
## Local Activity Clubs

Our holiday clubs, run by locally trusted organisations, offer a wide range of activities for children across Essex. Ensuring they have a fun, memorable and active Summer Holiday! All clubs will be delivered within Covid safety guidelines.

If your child is eligible but does not require this face to face support, then we are pleased to also be offering fun activity packs and virtual resources.

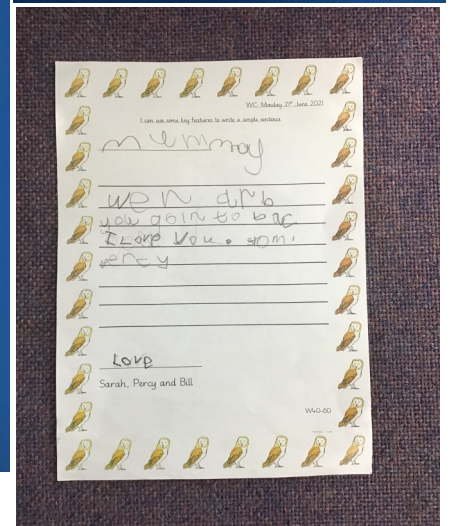
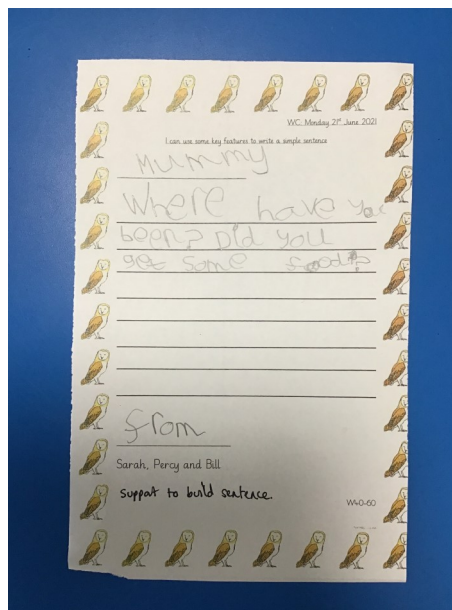
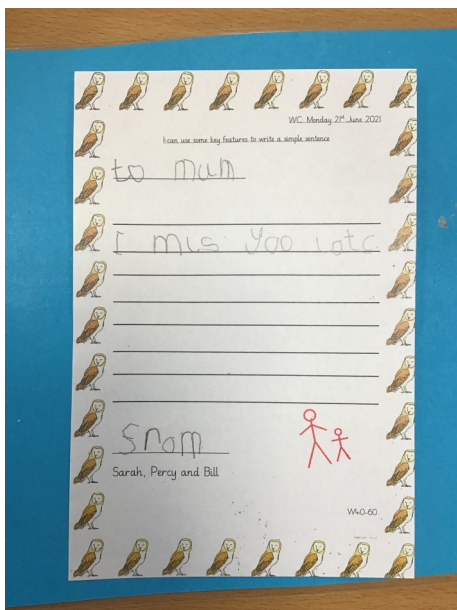
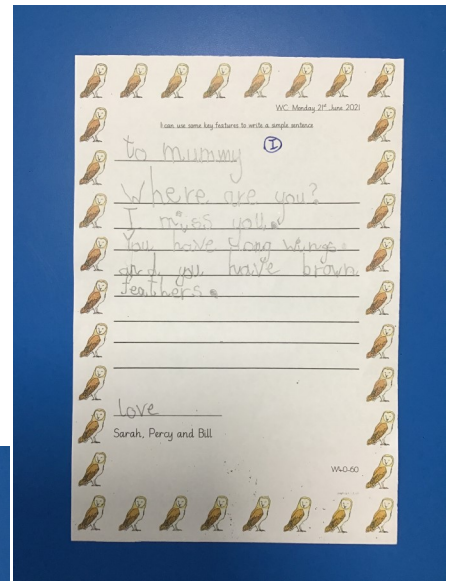


# Classroom catch up



## Reception

This week, in reception, we read the story, Owl Babies by Martin Waddell. For Literacy, we put ourselves in the shoes of Sarah, Bill and Percy and wrote a letter to mother owl when she was gone. Take a look at some of our amazing writing:



We continued with problem solving this week and our challenges included, worded problems involving addition and subtraction. Lots of us could write number sentences to represent them! We identified and corrected mistakes in repeating patterns and we worked on capacity, too. We were challenged to find a container that would hold the most amount of water for a pet fish, Stanley, without it being too heavy to take on holiday.

Make sure you check out our great work on Tapestry!



Topic, this week was linked Owl Babies, and was all about nocturnal animals. We had a group discussion and compared them to diurnal animals through a story called, A Tale of Two Feathers.



In maths we have been looking at place value. The children used base 10 resources to look at how we can represent our ones and tens visually, working with a partner. We then used this knowledge to order numbers from smallest to biggest.

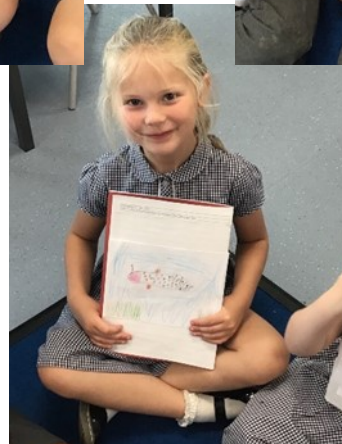
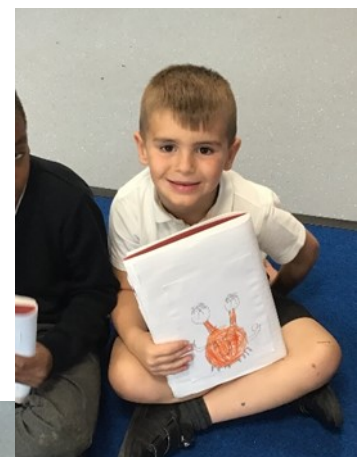
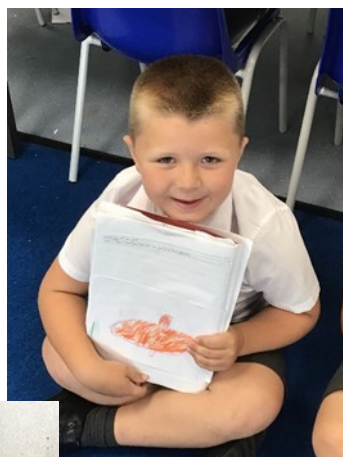


# Year 1

In English, we have continued to look at the story of 'Starry eyed Stan' and worked this week on creating a poster to advertise one of his shows. The children learned about persuasive adjectives and the features we include in posters to make them attractive and inviting!

Keep an eye out for some of our final posters on Facebook!

Here are some of the characters we drew, following a step by step process.



# Year 2



We have been learning about capacity in Maths. Using water, we have been measuring how much liquid our containers hold. We used both non-standard and standard units to do this.



In computing we have been using code. We used the App 'Scratch' to create commands to make the characters move.



During Geography, we have been developing our map skills. We had to find where certain locations in London were, by using the grid squares.

# Year 3

This week in English, Year 3 have been busy designing their own dreams for the BFG to blow using his dream blowing trumpet!

They have showcased their brilliant imaginations through their writing and have even begun to strengthen their understanding of direct speech. We have been looking really carefully at the writing produced by Roald Dahl to identify the correct way to punctuate the conversations that we include within our own writing.

In maths, we have continued with our unit on Time. This week, we have learnt the terminology 'interval' and 'duration' and studied a range of television schedules and train schedules carefully.

On Thursday, the children across the year group participated in our own mini Olympic Games. Within our houses, we completed a range of activities such as an obstacle race, an egg and spoon race and a 60m sprint. The year 3 team were proud of the sportsmanship shown by many of the children and we look forward to sharing the final scores shortly.





## Year 4 - Angles not Angels:

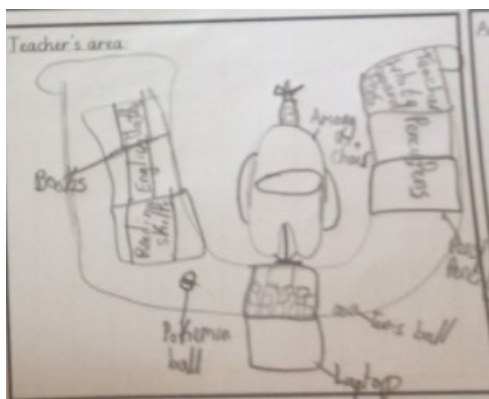


This week, Year four have been working revising different grammatical terminologies which we have studied this year. Pupils were applying different elements of grammar to their writing using things such as: fronted adverbials, speech, expanded noun phrases, parenthesis and prepositions. We watched a short video clip of Mr Palser walking into his class and realising that it had been vandalised... Mr Beven came in to assist and they were both in shock! The only evidence they found

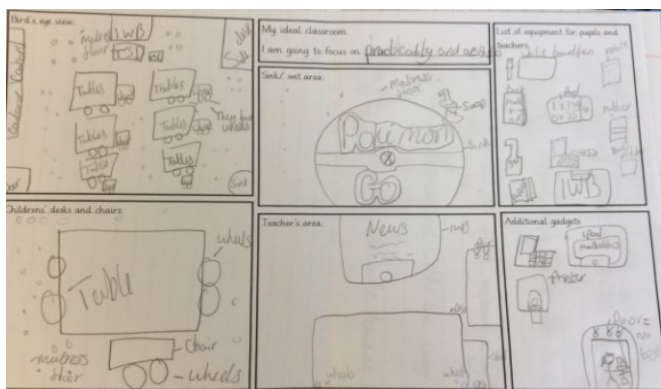


were biscuit crumbs on a table; just as they noticed that a teacher walk in with a biscuit in their hand... some think that the biscuit thief has returned. Who is it? The pupils then created a script and setting description based on the interactions of the adults.

During Design and Technology this week, pupils were look at aesthetics vs practicality and we were



reviewing various items that exist and judging whether they are practical, or they are there merely for decoration. Digital photo frames cased a debate within the classes because we struggled to decide whether they were just aesthetically pleasing or practical or both. Pupils then got to design their own classes based on practicality and making them look amazing!



Check out some of these designs!

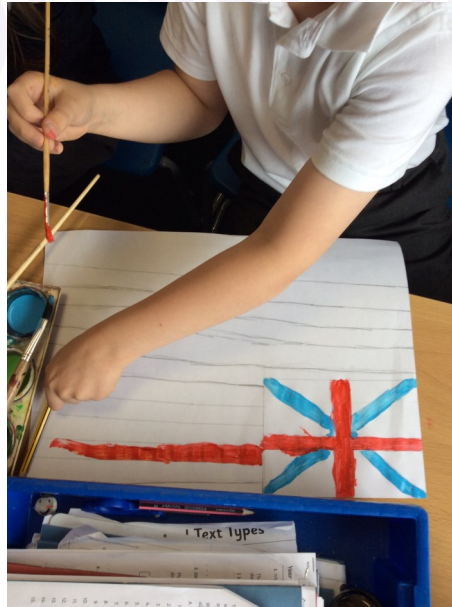


In maths this week, we have been studying angles. We have been identifying whether they are acute, right, obtuse a straight line or reflex Pupils also explored missing angles as well as working out angles around a point.

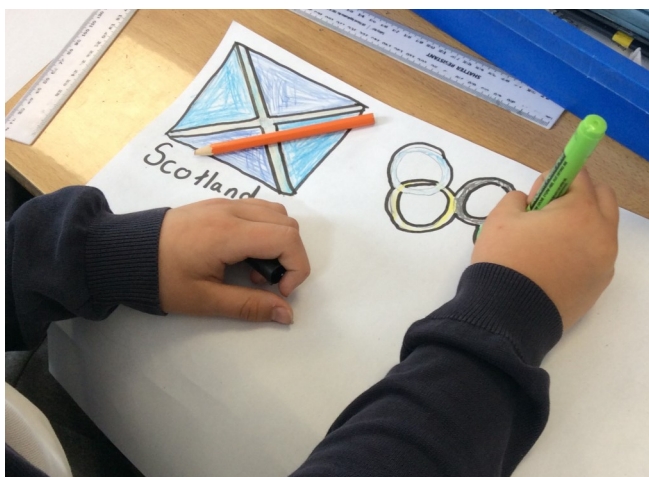




# Year 5 - Olympic History



Prior to our Mini Olympics on Monday, we studied and researched the history of the games and looked into the importance of this global event. We completed cross words, designed medals and kits, took part in quizzes and puzzles and even created our own banners and flags.





# Year 6

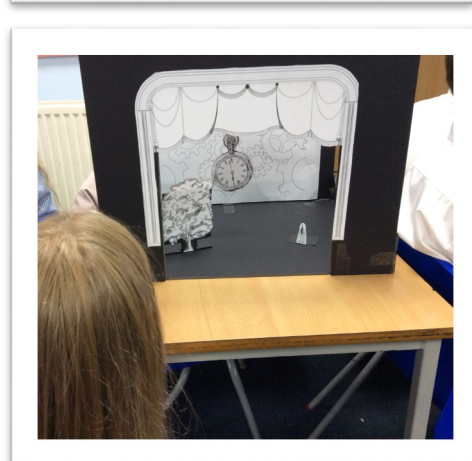
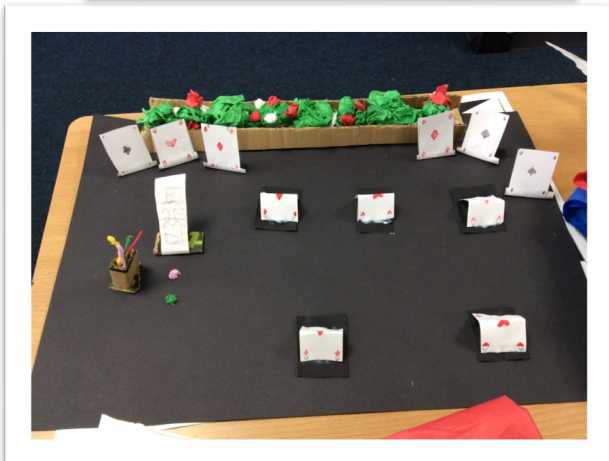
In English this week, we have continued to explore the island of Neverbelieve.

We have been researching into different animals to re-create our own hybrid animal, which could inhabit the island. Next week, we will be beginning to write our own non-chronological reports to provide information about our unique animals.

Facts: Did you know ...  
Lives for ... Rabbit = 9 years ... Panda = 20 years ...  
Butterfly = 12 months (live for 10 years)  
Wings will protect it from prey but will also help it to fly.  
Can't fly if it's cold. has fur to warm itself up.  
Females attract males by expanding their wings.  
In birth/labour for 90 - 160 days (p)  
Can change their wing colour based on the food they eat.



For our curriculum enrichment day, we began working on a Trailblazer project from the Royal Opera House. For the project the ROH challenged the Year 6 children to be set designers and asked them to create a model box set design for the Alice's Adventures in Wonderland ballet. The children made a great start to their designs and will continue to work on them next week.



# 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!*

RG	Hallie Q	For using her phonic skills when writing a sentence.
RB	Aariya-Rae M	For being a good friend to all.
RT	Sherlyn C	For participating in groups discussions at the carpet with increased confidence.
RP	Priya L	For her effort in maths.
1RD	Gabriel O	For being so kind and helpful.
1CH	Lily C	For independently creating a beautiful beach scene using a range of different materials.
1SS	Monasri	For always working hard.
2EM	Bryce WD	For working hard in computing this week and creating an excellent algorithm.
2RS	Ruby S	For always making good choices and being ready to learn.
2VG	Isabelle C	For great map skills in geography.
3GC	Ayaan R	For settling well into 3GC.
	Sameed R	For settling well into 3GC.
3RM	Amber D	For using her imagination well to extend her writing.
3JP	Logan E	For making a great consistent effort to improve his handwriting.
4CP	Makayla	For a great effort this week.
4NB	Amin B	For a great effort this week.
4BG	Rhiannon	For a great effort this week.
5MR	Nyah S	For consistently being a great role model and trying her best.
5CH	Elsie L	For always being focused and ready to learn.
	Rebecca O	for an excellent attitude to learning and displaying our cores school values.
5NM	Kaysen	For always thinks before he speaks and he is always considerate of other people's suggestions.
6JM	Tyler J	For making consistently good choices and showing a positive attitude to his learning.
	Rosie B	For making consistently good choices and showing a positive attitude to his learning.
6VP	Harley B	For demonstrating an excellent attitude towards his learning.



# Maths Marvels



Well done 5NM for another amazing effort this week! They are the true Rockstars this week!! Well done to 6LC too for their admirable efforts, keep up the good work and lets see who can be our TT Rockstars leaders next week!



Another well done goes to 5NM for their HUGE effort to secure the top of the Mathletics leader board!

21 June 2021 - 27 June 2021

5NM	>	13670	0	13670
6VP	>	1790	547	2337
Annexe	>	1260	0	1260
5CH	>	570	0	570
2EM	>	400	162	562
1RD	>	390	103	493
3NB	>	390	0	390
4CP	>	370	0	370



# Get into Teaching



## St Clare's School

Lead ITT provider in the TTSA and in partnership with the TES institute are pleased to announce that trainee places are available for the academic year 2021/2022.

*'Our trainees success rate  
Good/outstanding 100%  
Employed 100%'*



**TTSA** Thurrock Teaching School Alliance



We have limited places across our partner schools in both primary and secondary phases

**Our partner schools for 2021/2022 include;**

### Primary

Chadwell St. Mary, Deneholm, East Tilbury, Thameside, Stifford Clays, Horndon-on-the-hill, Stanford-le-Hope, Dodinghurst, Little Thurrock, Arthur Bugler.

### Secondary

Grays Convent, Marshalls Park, Ormiston Park Academy, St. Clare's School, William Edwards, The Gateway Academy, Brentwood County High, Thames Park, Hornchurch High, Hathaway Academy.



For all enquiries please contact  
j.mace.scs@osborne.coop



## Schools Direct Salaried

- One year school based training
- In partnership with the TES Institute (accrediting provider for QTS)
- Paid as an Unqualified Teacher
- Learn to teach with a qualified teacher present to observe your lessons weekly
- 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 degree from a UK higher education institution or equivalent qualification

## Schools Direct Fee funded (unsalaryed) for Primary and Secondary

- One year school based training
- In partnership with the 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 ITT leading to QTS (Qualified Teacher Status)
- Or pay TES fees of £9,250 incl VAT ITT leading to QTS and a PGCE (postgraduate certificate in education)

### 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 degree from a UK higher education institution or equivalent qualification
- Bursaries available for some subjects (see TES link below)



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





# COMMIT TO BENEFIT!

## Mini Olympics

Due to the challenging weather conditions last week several year groups will have completed their mini Olympic events yesterday and today.

All pupils have enjoyed some traditional fun events such as the sack race, obstacle race and the egg and spoon run, as well as more competitive throwing and running events such as the Vortex Howler throw and the sprint races.

## After School Clubs

It has been a pleasure to see so many of our pupils engaging in numerous year group clubs over the last few weeks. The benefits to the pupils and staff are plentiful, improving fitness, knowledge and understanding, coordination, mental health and wellbeing, resilience and social skills.



## Bikeability events this year (2021)

The below sessions are being run by Thurrock Council's Bikeability Team. They offer free sessions for pupils of all abilities. Please see below details of the course they are offering at school. All instructors will be following the strict guidance

in line with the school's COVID policy.

### **Level 1 Bikeability —Year 4 pupils only: Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th June.**

This course encourages pupils to learn more about the care of their bike and is an introduction to road safety riding, without leaving the school. This is good preparation for the Level 2 course completed in Year 6.

### **Scooter Training—Year 1 pupils only: Wednesday 30th June.**

Give your child the chance to understand how to ride a scooter safely on the pavement and learn what to look out for while riding.



## OPAL Outdoor Play and Learning Launch 2021

Dear Parents,

We are about to launch an exciting new project to make our play times even better, in conjunction with OPAL. (<http://outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk/>). OPAL has won the best active schools' programme in Europe award and been cited in two Parliamentary Reports as outstanding practice. OPAL is working closely with Sport England to promote more active childhoods.



We strongly believe that: **"Play is freely chosen, personally directed, intrinsically motivated behaviour that actively engages the child. Play can be fun or serious. Through play children explore social, material and imaginary worlds and their relationship with them, elaborating all the while a flexible range of responses to the challenges they encounter. By playing, children learn and develop as individuals, and as members of the community"** (Play Council 2001).

The project will start in June. and our hopes are that this project will change the way we think and how we play together. To facilitate this project we will need to buy some new resources, move some things around on the playground and we will also require some loose parts. Loose parts are any materials that can be easily moved, combined, and incorporated into children's free play. The items we are looking for will enable us to enjoy a wider range of play experiences during playtime (see below for some examples):

Suitcases of any size and type, anything on wheels/castors

Plastic milk crates and keyboards

Briefcases, especially hard cased ones

Cones and Noodles (the type you use in the swimming pool!)

kitchen pots, pans, baking trays, work tables, wooden spoons, chopping boards

Tools like spades, trowels and brooms

Tubes of various sizes and various materials, buckets, nets and ropes

Fabric (large sheets/brightly coloured fabric)

Foam sheets / body boards

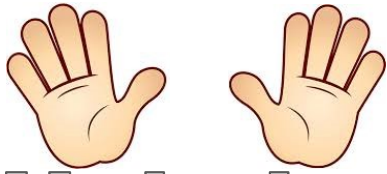
Wooden pallets and cable drums

Guttering and pegs (to help to set up dens)

N.B. Anything that will **shatter** or is **sharp** is **NOT** suitable.

We will be holding another collection week during the week beginning **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June**..... The sooner we do this, the sooner the children will be able to play with the items! Please do not bring your donations in before this date as we will have nowhere to store them. If objects are really large, such as wooden pallets, we will ensure that there is someone available to help you carry them into school. There will be more information to follow at a parents session later in the year. We are really excited about this project and hope that you will support us in our efforts to improve playtimes for all children.





# 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](mailto:office.etp@osborne.coop)



East Tilbury Primary School  
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

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

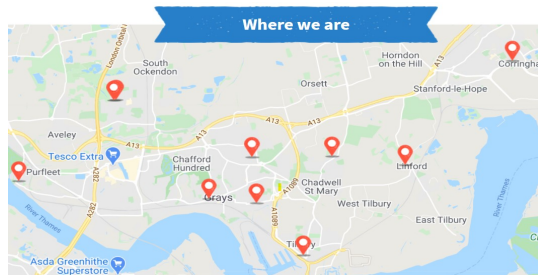
◇ Mrs Mylam

◇ 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 \[www.nspcc.org.uk\]\(http://www.nspcc.org.uk\); \[www.facebook.com/nspcc\]\(http://www.facebook.com/nspcc\)](#)



## 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