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## News & What's coming up

### Dogs at School gate

Please remember that dogs are banned from the school site. However if you are walking your dog to the school, please ensure it is under control at all times and far away from the school gates. Please do not stand at the gate entrance with your dogs as some children are frightened of dogs.



### School photos

Please ensure you return your photo and any money no later than Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

### Spelling Bee 2017

A big well done to all those children who worked hard to learn their spellings for our spelling bee competition which took place on Thursday. Every class scored 20/20 with Red class achieving the quickest time. See below for class timings. We will find out on Monday if our school is through to round 2 (the final round).

Red	1min 50secs
Silver	2min 6secs
Green	2min 14secs
White	2min 30secs
Bronze	2min 48secs
Lime	2min 52secs
Purple	3min 4secs
Gold	3min 5secs
Aqua	3min 20secs
Ruby	3min 31secs



Thank you if you supported your child in this event.  
Mrs Johns – Literacy Leader

### Drinks in class

Can we please remind you that children should NOT be bringing juice drinks or flavoured water into school in their water bottles. They should only bring plain water. We are still seeing a high number of squash/juice/flavoured water drinks coming into school.

**Year 5** – please return trip letters as soon as possible

Please note that the **Year 2** Trip to the Tower of London has been cancelled

Please look at our Twitter page for photos of today's Science day

Thank you to our **Year 5&6** Choir who performed in the Music Festival at the Cliffs Pavilion on Wednesday evening. They were a credit to the school singing and behaving beautifully on the night. We are very proud of the dedication and commitment they have shown to weekly rehearsals and learning 17 songs off by heart.

## What's on next week

### Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June

3.45-4.15: Concert at King John School

### Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June

am: Appleton Year 5 Get Ready for Secondary Day

### Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June

pm: EYFS visit from Kimmys Mobile Zoo  
3.30-4.30: Netball Match v Jotmans (Home)

### Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

1.30-2.30: New Intake meeting for parents (Junior Hall)

## Future dates for your diary

The dates below are for information only – full details of events will be sent via a separate letter or mentioned in this newsletter.









- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Year 2 Assembly to Parents
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Open Evening
- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June – PTA Summer Fete
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Year 5 Guitar concert
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Swimming Gala
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July – KS2 Production to Parents (am & pm)
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July – KS2 Production to Parents (am)
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 trip to Stubbers
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – PTA School Discos
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly



## Meet the Governors

**Cathy West – Community Governor** - I worked at South Benfleet Primary School for 24 years before retiring in 2015. My years here working with the fantastic staff and wonderful children were extremely enjoyable. With my years of experience I feel I can still support the school in my new role as Community Governor. In my spare time I enjoy gardening, baking, knitting, musicals and spending time with family and friends.

## Menu for next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pasta Day! Choose from Homemade Tomato or Cheese Sauce ⓧ	Children's Favourite! All Day Breakfast  (sausage, bacon, scrambled egg)	Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings  ⓧ	Chicken Cajun in an optional Wrap
Salad Bar 	Vegetarian All day Breakfast (vegetarian sausages and scrambled egg) ⓧ	Quiche ⓧ		Quorn Dippers in an optional Wrap ⓧ
Garlic Bread	Hash Browns Baked Beans	Chips		Pasta Selection
Homemade Pineapple Upside Down Cake Fruit Selection 	Jelly Fruit Selection 	Peas / Salad Bar Crusty Bread 		Salad Bar 
		Ice Cream Fruit Selection 	Angel Delight Fruit Selection 	Iced Rock Cake Fruit Selection 

## Homework Reminders

Don't forget to read at least 4 times a week, do your Times Table Rockstars and practice your spellings.

Year 6 – TTRockstars, 4 reads

Year 5 – MyMaths, TTRockstars, singing practise for Oliver

Year 4 – Active Learn Maths game, 15 garage games

Year 3 – Details in homework books

Year 2 –

Year 1 – Maths paper, phonics and red books

## Don't Forget!

Now the warmer weather is here, could we please remind you that footwear should still be school shoes (not canvas shoes or trainers) and if children wish to wear sandals please ensure they are school sandals and have a back strap. Could girls please refrain from wearing party type sandals as they are not suitable for school. Could we also ask that if wearing sandals, then socks are still worn. Slip on shoes are not suitable for school.

Also, please ensure that children have sun hats to wear and that sun cream is applied. A quality long-lasting, waterproof high protection cream is best. Please do not send sun cream in to school. Please make sure children have their water bottles with them.

Don't Forget



## Reading

Well done to all classes who had the following number of children who read at home at least 4 times this week and were entered into the Reading Record

Reward Pot:

Gold – 26  
Green – 21  
White – 22  
Silver – 27  
Red – 26  
Bronze – 20  
Aqua – 29  
Purple – 20  
Lime – 22  
Ruby – 21  
Blue – 23  
Yellow – 18  
Jade – 20  
Amber - 18



## Rock Heroes this week

Well done to all classes who had the following number of children complete 15 or more Times Table Rockstar challenges this week:

Gold class – 24  
Green class – 12  
White class – 24  
Silver class – 24  
Red class – 23  
Bronze class – 18  
Aqua class – 30 😊 Well done  
Purple class – 20  
Well done and keep up the good work.



## House Points

House points are awarded to KS2 children for good behaviour, good work, helping others, being kind and good manners.

### Points earned this week

Raleigh	25
Nelson	23
Wellington	17
Drake	15

## Attendance – w/e Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

The Key Stage 1 class with the best attendance is Ruby Class. Their attendance was **98.7%**

The Key Stage 2 classes with the best attendance are Green & Purple Classes. Their attendance was **99.7%**

Other Key Stage 1 attendance is as follows:

Jade Class – 97.3%  
Blue Class – 96%  
Amber Class – 94.7%  
Lime Class – 93.7%  
Yellow Class – 92.3%

Other Key Stage 2 attendance is as follows:

Silver Class – 99.3%  
Red Class – 98.6%  
Gold Class – 97%  
Bronze Class – 95.3%  
Aqua Class – 95.3%  
White Class – 95.3%

## PTA News

Adventure Island tickets can be purchased from Lorraine Jones Hearn on 07956 467477. Prices £15(big) £12(Junior/Mini)

We also have available tickets for the following:

Adventure Golf – 2 rounds - £3 each  
Sea-Life tickets - £5 Adult - £2.50 Child

### Summer Fete – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June from 3.30pm

This year's Summer Fete will have an international theme. We wondered whether any parents had any flags or bunting from around the world that they would be willing to donate to the PTA.



Also, if you are able to help run a stall at the Fete (3.30-4.30 or 4.30-5.30) then please leave your name and contact details at the office FAO Hayley Wright. Thank you

## SWIMMING TIMETABLE

We are delighted to have a pool and be able to offer swimming lessons with a qualified instructor. We see swimming as an essential life-saving skill. It also promotes fitness, stamina, coordination and fun.

The timetable is as follows:

Approx. timings	a.m. 1 9.00	a.m. 2 10.00	Lunch	p.m. 1 1.10	p.m. 2 2.10
Monday	Bronze Yr4	Red Yr4		White Yr5	Silver Yr5
Tuesday	Aqua Yr3	Purple Yr3		Yellow Yr1 Lessons start 1pm & 1.30pm	Blue Yr.1 Lessons start 2pm & 2.30pm
Wednesday				Ruby Yr2 Lessons start 1pm & 1.30pm	Lime Yr2 Lessons start 2pm & 2.30pm
Thursday				Amber-EYFS Lessons start 1pm & 1.30pm	Jade EYFS Lessons start at 2pm & 2.30pm
Friday				Gold Yr. 6	Green Yr. 6

Please ensure that swimming kits are brought into school on the morning of your child's swimming session. They will need a swimming hat and these can be purchased at the school office for £1.50. Could you please check your children's feet for verruca's before they have swimming. Verruca socks are available from the school office.

Although the weather has been cooler, we have a variety of measures to help make the experience fun, safe and successful and as comfortable possible, these include:

- o the pool being kept at a comfortable temperature
- o regularly refurbishing the changing rooms
- o heating the changing rooms
- o a rubberised soft pool surround and path to the changing rooms, so there is no cold rough concrete under foot
- o hooks on the poolside right where the children leave the pool allowing children to quickly wrap themselves in a towel.

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT

# ANIMAL AGENTS

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2017

[animal-agents.org.uk](http://animal-agents.org.uk)

15 July–2 September in all Essex Libraries

Children are being asked to read the books and catch the crooks in Essex Libraries this summer by taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge 2017 – Animal Agents.

By reading or sharing books children will earn stickers (including some special smelly stickers) and if they complete the challenge they will receive a certificate and a medal.

Children aged 10 and over can take part in a new ImagiNation 17 challenge where they can create artworks or write reviews inspired by the books they have read.

For more information go to [libraries.essex.gov.uk](http://libraries.essex.gov.uk)



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Create artwork or write a review inspired by books you have read. Complete the challenge to collect your reward and certificate

Call into the library to join. Share your finished artwork on the ImagiNation Blog at [www.imaginationeast.org.uk](http://www.imaginationeast.org.uk)

Essex Libraries will also be running “Animal Agents” for children and young people this summer. Read 6 books and earn stickers, a medal and a certificate.

For more information visit [libraries.essex.gov.uk](http://libraries.essex.gov.uk)

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