



As always, I am amazed that we are already at the end of our Spring term. We have had a really busy term and I think we are all ready for a couple of weeks rest!

We were delighted to open up our new offices after half-term, and I'm sure you'll agree the new entrance is looking very smart. We had a lot of 'teething' problems, but hopefully they will become a dim and distant memory as we get used to the new routines.

The new year started with a celebration to mark the school's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We held a Back to the 70's Day, which was a sight to behold.



We were hoping to hold an event each term, but it hasn't quite worked out like that!!

Our library opening was delayed by a few weeks, due to the slow delivery of the bookshelves! We are going to hold a grand opening early in the Summer term – watch out for details.



We are currently finishing off the Elephant for Haven's Hospice. Thank you for all the beautifully designed balloons that will

decorate her/him/it. We are holding a poll on our Facebook page over the Easter break to choose a name. Make sure you get your vote in. The final elephant will be unveiled after the Easter holidays, and you will be able to see it in Southend over the Summer Holidays.

If you are stuck for things to do there are lots of ideas on the Essex Activate website, there is also a good article about how to take the stress out of holidays. Please follow this link:

<https://www.activeessex.org/news-events/blog/stress-school-holidays/>

Finally, I wish you all a very well deserved and restful Easter break. See you back on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

Ms. S Warnes – Headteacher

### E.R.I.C. Awards

*Congratulations* to everyone who has achieved ERIC awards this term.

**We've had:**

**19 Bronze Awards**

**6 Silver Awards**

**1 Gold Awards**

**2 Exceptional E.R.I.C.s**



## **News:**

As usual we have had lots of exciting events this term, including raising money for Red Nose Day.



## **WORLD BOOK DAY – 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

We marked WORLD BOOK day by coming to school dressed as characters from our favourite books and WOW words.

Each class also wrote a page for a school book to mark the occasion. We are still working out how best to share this with parents, as the children came up with a fantastic story.



## **ST PATRICK'S DAY – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**



Acorn Class marked St Patrick's Day by coming to school dressed in Emerald Green. It was also

Red Nose Day – so it was a very colourful day in Acorn Class.

## **STEM WEEK - 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> March**

### **STEM FAIR**



We held a wonderful showcase of the children's hard work across our STEM subjects at our after school STEM fair on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. It was lovely to see so many of you at this event.



## **INFANT MUSIC FESTIVAL – Thursday 23<sup>th</sup> March**

Willow Class were able to join with other schools for the Infant Music Festival. They represented the school brilliantly and were a delight to watch.

## WORLD MATHS DAY – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March



We had a fantastic day with the Happy Puzzle Company to mark World Maths Day. Every class enjoyed a session with the company and the children celebrated the day by coming to school dressed in a Maths theme.

## ROCKING ROMANS – 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> March

Maple, Lime and Sycamore Class put on a fantastic show to their parents based on the history of the Romans. It was an amazing show, showing we have many potential West End stars in the making!



## Upcoming Events

Danbury residential trip for Year 4's –  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023

Stubbers residential trip for Year 6's –  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Our grand Library Opening

For an up to date information about our events please check your eSchools messages.

## School Dinners



Reminder! - Please ensure you log-in and pay for the dinners that have been taken.

Happy Easter



See you back on

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April

2023