



## Hello Sunshine!

The wonderful weather is certainly putting a smile on the children's faces! We would like to remind you to apply sun lotion to children before they come to school and to ensure they have a drinking bottle for water. Sunhats can also be worn outside, as can sunglasses.

We have some sad news to share with you: after the end of July, ASM will no longer be providing PE lessons to our pupils. Mr Skingley has delivered PE lessons for many years here and he will be missed by the whole school community. We wish to thank Mr Skingley and ASM for all they have done over these years.

Finally, we wish to welcome Miss Henshall and Ms Bowen-Davies who have both joined the school as members of our support staff team.

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

All absence must be reported on the first day. If we do not have a reason for absence your child will receive an unauthorised absence mark. This data is monitored by The Department for Education on a regular basis.

Attendance Percentages for this academic year so far:

Class 1	95.5%
Class 2	93.5%
Class 3	96.0%
Class 4	94.3%
Class 5	94.1%
Class 6	93.7%
Class 7	94.1%
Class 8	94.5%
<b>Whole school</b>	<b>94.5%</b>

## KEY DATES

- \*Wednesday 21st June: Class photos (a.m.)
- \*Friday 23rd June: Sports' Day contingency date
- \*Tuesday 27th June: Football Activators for Girls (3.30pm-5pm at The Colne)
- \*Thursday 29th June: Transition Day (Y6 to The Colne)
- \*Mon 3rd - Fri 7th July: Y6 residential to Bawdsey
- \*Friday 7th July: Non-Uniform Day
- \*Friday 7th July: Football Activators Tournament (12:15-2:15pm)
- \*Friday 14th July: BSA Summer Fete
- \*Thursday 20th July: Celebration Afternoon!
- \*Friday 21st July: Last day of school year

## Non-Uniform Day!

On Friday 7th July, children are invited to come to school in non-uniform.

This will be in exchange for the **BSA Summer Fête** tombola items, i.e. unwanted gifts for adults and children - this can sometimes include bottles of alcohol. These items can be dropped at the school office.



## Year 3 children write to The King!

by Mrs K Gruender.

Year 3 enjoyed learning about what happens at a British Coronation and they had a chance to learn about some of the Royal ceremonial objects.

The children reflected on what they would like the King to do in his reign (and what they would do if they were King) and then wrote him a letter. The children are here with the collective book of letters using a piece of collaborative art work on the cover. We will let you know when we get a reply!!!



## YEAR 6 PRODUCTION!

### SHAKESPEARE ROCKS!

**Dress rehearsal:** Friday 14th July 9.30-11.00

**Afternoon performance:** Tuesday 18th July  
1.30-3.00

**Evening Performance 1:** Tuesday 18th July  
6.30-8.00

**Evening performance 2:** Wednesday 19th July  
6.30-8.00

## Celebration Afternoon!



On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July, we would like to invite all parents and carers to visit our school between 2.00pm & 3.15pm, spending time and sharing the children's achievements with their current class teacher before taking the opportunity to visit their new classroom so that the children can introduce you to their new teacher.

The Infant School will also be having a celebration afternoon and they will be open to visit as well during this time, so children in Year 2 can visit their Year 3 class. (Please can we request that infant children are collected before their older junior siblings.)

## Holiday Requests

Our school has been receiving an increasing number of holiday requests in term time. (I have included the term dates for the next academic year for your information on the next page of this school newsletter.)

Holidays in term time are always taken as an unauthorised leave of absence. Parents who take these periods of absence do so with the full knowledge that the school may issue a penalty notice. There is no entitlement in law for pupils to take time off during the term to go on holiday.

At Broomgrove Junior School , 'exceptional circumstances' will be interpreted as: ... being of unique and significant emotional, educational or spiritual value to the child which outweighs the loss of teaching time (as determined by the headteacher). The fundamental principles for defining 'exceptional' are events that are "rare, significant, unavoidable and short". By 'unavoidable' we mean an event that could not reasonably be scheduled at another time, outside of school term time.

Examples of 'exceptional' events that are "rare, significant, unavoidable and short" may include but are not limited to: a parent or carer being a member of the armed forces and has been on active duty so could not reasonably schedule the absence for another time, the death of a close family member, the attendance at the funeral and the attendance at the wedding of a close family member.

Furthermore, we will not consider applications for leave during term time:

- at any time in September. This is very important as your child needs to settle into their new class at the start of the academic year as quickly as possible.
- during assessment and test periods in the school's calendar affecting your child.
- when a pupil's attendance record already includes any level of unauthorised absence or they have already been granted authorised leave within that academic year.

*All three schools in Wivenhoe are following the advice from Essex Local Authority in relation to attendance.*

### **Win £1,000 for our school library!**

National Book Tokens has introduced a competition to win £1,000 to improve your school's library. Here is the link:

[https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools?utm\\_source=nbt&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=rebuild-the-library&utm\\_campaign=20230606\\_schools](https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools?utm_source=nbt&utm_medium=email&utm_content=rebuild-the-library&utm_campaign=20230606_schools)

## Essex County Council School Term and Holiday Dates for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools - Academic Year 2023-2024

September 2023							October 2023							November 2023							December 2023						
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January 2024							February 2024							March 2024							April 2024						
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May 2024							June 2024							July 2024							August 2024						
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- = Schooldays     
  = School holidays     
  = Bank holidays  
 = Weekends

In addition, schools allocate five non-pupil days out of the school days indicated, or the equivalent in disaggregated twilight sessions.

<b>Autumn Term:</b>	Monday 4 September 2023 – Wednesday 20 December 2023 <i>Half Term 23 October – 27 October</i>	73 days
<b>Spring Term:</b>	Thursday 4 January 2024 – Thursday 28 March 2024 <i>Half Term 19 February - 23 February</i>	56 days
<b>Summer Term:</b>	Monday 15 April 2024 – Tuesday 23 July 2024 <i>Half Term 27 May – 31 May, and May Bank Holiday - 6 May</i>	66 days
		195 days

**Please note:**

The above dates may vary for individual schools, especially Foundation, Voluntary Aided schools and Academies.

You are strongly advised to check with your child's school before making any holiday or other commitments.



Julie-Ann and Steph from  
Tendring Families First will be at  
Broomgrove Infant School to talk about...

## Summer Survival Guide

This is open to all parents of children with  
and without special educational needs.



Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 9:30am

If you would like to attend, please email  
[zowiestacey@broomgrove-inf.essex.sch.uk](mailto:zowiestacey@broomgrove-inf.essex.sch.uk)  
or call the school office on 01206 822141

