Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday 5th October 2021

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see the Woodpecker children this morning all dressed up in their Tudor costumes at Layer Marney Tower - thank you for all your efforts in getting their costumes ready and getting them there. I'm sure they are going to have a fabulous day, particularly now it has stopped raining!

Robins Class are also looking forward to their Chocolate Workshop tomorrow - we hope they will enjoy learning how to temper chocolate and turn it into delicious lollipops! Thank you to everyone who has completed the consent form on School Ping.

Tomorrow evening (Weds 6th), at 4.30pm, we are welcoming Mr Bland, Headteacher of The Stanway School, to talk to parents and Y6 pupils about life at Stanway. Although the meeting is mostly aimed at those who are selecting their school for next year, we are able to open this to Y5 pupils and parents if you would be interested in coming along to hear what is said - please email me. Please note that applications for Y7 in September '22 need to be made online by 31st October.

On Thursday, we are also looking forward to making a return to St. Barnabas Church for the first time since our Candlemas Community Worship in January 2020. Please join us there at 11am for hymns and harvest celebrations - we anticipate that the worship will last around 30 mins, after which the children will walk back to school in time for lunch. As well as celebrating Harvest, we will be breathing a sigh of relief that life is beginning to return to some level of normality!

Thank you for your harvest donations to Colchester Foodbank -please bring any further donations in this week or next; I will be dropping them off at the Foodbank during half term.

Finally, just a reminder that Parents Forum will be held in the hall next Thursday (14th) at 9am. Please join us if you can - there is a form on Ping for you to complete if there are particular topics or issues you would like to discuss.

As ever, all the best from all of us to all of you, Lucy Overton

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Diary Dates

New or changed dates in red

Tuesday 5th October - Woodpeckers Class trip to Layer Marney

Wednesday 6th October - Chocolate Workshop for Robins Class

Monday 11th October - Bags2School (black bags of unwanted clothes can be left beside the PTA shed in the days leading up to this, thank you)

Thursday 14th October - Parents Forum in hall 9am - 9.45

Monday 18th October - final date for Cauliflower Cards art designs to come into school

Monday 18th October - bring in a decorated pumpkin for the pumpkin trail tomorrow

Tues 19th October - Pumpkin trail on school field after school. £1 entry fee.

Tues 19th October - Harvest Fayre after school

Mon 25th October - Friday 29th October - Half Term

Mon 1st November - Non-Pupil / Staff Training Day

Tues 2nd November - School Photographs

Friday 5th November - Flu Immunisations

Tuesday 9th November - Non Uniform day. Bring a bottle for the Christmas Fayre

Friday 19th November - Children in Need Day

Tues 23rd November - second date for flu immunisations

Tuesday 7th December - bring a gift for Elfridges (more info to follow)

Friday 10th or 17th December - possible dates for Christmas Fayre

Mon 13th December - Elfridges

Friday 17th December - final day of Autumn term

Tuesday 4th January - Non-Pupil / Staff Training Day

Wednesday 5th January - first day of term

Friday 28th January - PTA Quiz Night