

Newsletter

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Summer Term



And so another academic year comes to an end – what an achievement. This year we have made some significant improvements and I am grateful to our teaching staff for taking these on so that our curriculum meets the needs of our children. I am glad that those children who are leaving us have achieved well in the national tests and are therefore well prepared for year 7. I am equally proud that our children in year 1 and year 2 have achieved well in the phonics and year 2 national tests and so are ready for the next stage of their education. Our youngest children in EYFS have learnt such a great deal and are year 1 ready – it's great news!

We wish all our children a well-deserved summer break because of all their achievements. Have fun! Enjoy the great outdoors! And read, read, read!

Celebrating the end of their primary education with year 6 is a poignant reminder of all the opportunities that children have and will continue to have in their future. The end of year production, our celebration of sports events yesterday and the opportunity to come together for one last time to celebrate our shared faith, to name but a few. There will always be improvements to make and we recognise this and are ready for the journey in September. Hopefully, the holidays will give us all the strength for all that we want to achieve.

A heartfelt thanks to each and every one who has supported us throughout the year.

S. Nutman

School Fete: Last Sunday was a great success!
More information in the new term.
A big thank-you to Leigh Skips for donating a skip for School Fete!

On the 29th of July it will be ten years since Ruth Lambert tragically died in a car crash. Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes at 11:30am on the 28th July will be offered for Ruth & her family. All are most welcome to attend.



Ruth Mary Lambert RIP
26th January 2002 – 29th July 2009

Catholic Parenting - 'Engaging and re-engaging your children in the Faith'
30th September 2019, 8-10pm @ St Peter's Catholic Church, Eastwood

In this day and age, passing on our Catholic faith to our children comes with its challenges. How can we offer our children the best opportunity to understand and develop their relationship with God in a way that will sustain their practice of faith through to their adult life? How do we, as parents, navigate the aspects of our faith that are counter cultural and answer the difficult questions our children have about the teachings of our church?

The Diocesan Department for Marriage and Family Life have put together a workshop to support parents who are looking for ideas to raise their young children as faithful Catholics, or opportunities to re-engage older children and teenagers where there might be a struggle. This will be a chance to meet other parents facing the same challenges, to ask questions and hear some tried and tested ideas.

You can register for this event via the Eventbrite link below, or by e-mailing anna.mccormick@dioceseofbrentwood.org

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/catholic-parenting-southend-tickets-65116123077?ref=etwenivtefor001>



TELL US A STORY

WIN FANTASTIC PRIZES

Do you love creative writing? Do you think you could tell us a story in 500 words or less?

From St George to sea-monsters, medieval ghosts and buried treasure, England's history is filled with stories, myths and legends that help shape our understanding of our past and present. Be inspired by one of our historic sites this summer and create your own story for a chance to win some amazing prizes for you, your family and your school!

If you're aged 5 – 14, we want you to write a story in under 500 words inspired by the myth legends & folklore surrounding our historic places. Choose one of our sites as your starting point and get creative for your chance to win.

One lucky winner from each age category will win an illustration of their story, hand drawn by talented artist Clive Hicks-Jenkins, and their story will be professionally printed. They will also receive a year's English Heritage membership for them and their family, and a hands-on expert-led learning workshop at one of our historical sites for them and their class! Plus, one overall winner will get the top prize of a stay in one of our holiday cottages for them and their family!

Competition opens at 10am on 5 July 2019 and closes midnight on 20 September 2019. The winning entry will be selected by our panel of judges and announced on Friday 18th October.

Write your story on our [entry sheet](https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/link/39e6b0b0e710466c91db506a648c6b4d.aspx), <https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/link/39e6b0b0e710466c91db506a648c6b4d.aspx> email it to TellingTales.WritingCompetition@english-heritage.org.uk along with your full name and age, your parent's name, address and telephone number. Please ensure you have your parent or guardian's permission to enter and check the terms and conditions before entering.

Your children will be bringing home a bookmark this week to remind them of the excellent Reading Challenge that they can enjoy in the Summer Holidays at the local library. It will keep them reading and stop them from becoming reading rusty over the six weeks!

The Reading Agency and Libraries Present



Summer Reading Challenge 2019

At Village Green this Saturday there is a great space for Storytelling and books. If you are going why not have a look and see what's on offer for the children.

JACSON DIEGO STORY EMPORIUM

At Jackson Diego Story Emporium we unlock the fun in books by taking young people and families on amazing and innovative adventures that inspire new thinking and challenge the possible. We create booky things to do in the community, with schools and individuals. Oh, and we've got a book shop! **SUPPORTED BY: HQ THEATRES & JACSON DIEGO STORY EMPORIUM**

11:00-11:40

THIS IS MY BOOK LAUNCH

Young people from Southend share the books that inspire them the most

11:00-12:00 | 13:00-14:00 | 15:00-16:00

STORY CRAFT WITH JACSON DIEGO STORY EMPORIUM

Be a part of the story. We dare you!

11:00-12:00 | 13:00-14:00 | 15:00-16:00

PIP & POSY WALKABOUT

Axel Scheffler's Pip and Posy are best friends who go on fun everyday adventures that teach them it takes friendship, sharing and understanding - and a cuddle - to make things better. Hurrah!

11:40-12:20

JUSTIN COE. IT'S A POEM!

Justin Coe is a performance poet specialising in creating work for young audiences. A popular performer in schools, he also tours spoken-word theatre shows nationally.

12:20-12:40

KARL NEWSON: I AM A TIGER

Karl Newson is a children's book author and illustrator from London. He takes inspiration from songs and books and people and

everything! His favourite things are elephants, stars and his two mini Maudsellers. His least favourite thing is mashed potato - blorgh!

12:40-12:20

ELLIE IRVING: THE MATILDA EFFECT

Ellie Irving is a multi-award-winning author of funny books for 8-12s. Her latest book, *The Matilda Effect*, which celebrates girls in STEM, has been featured in *The Guardian*, *The Big Issue* and *The Sunday Express*.

13:30-13:50

JULIE IRWIN: MISSION IMPROBABLE

Edwin Spencer thinks he's just an ordinary boy with ordinary problems... until... Julie Swanson, based author, Julie Irwin to unravel the secrets of parallel worlds and find out more about the Edwin Spencer trilogy. Followed by a book signing.

14:00-15:00

THE WIMPY KID SHOW

A must for all Diary of a Wimpy Kid fans and great family entertainment. Host Alastair Watson brings the books to life with fun activities including The Wimpy Kid Draw-Along and The Wimp War! Quiz.

15:10-15:30

HOLLIE HUGHES: NINJAS & PIRATES

Hollie Hughes is a writer of picture books about ninjas and pirates and mammoths and all of the other curious things.

15:40-16:20

ROSS MONTGOMERY: SPACE YORTOISE!

SPACE YORTOISE! A lovely tortoise tries to reach the stars using the items he finds in the bin. His only limit is his imagination.

16:30-17:00

JENNIFER KILICK: A FUNNY ONE IT'S A MYSTERY, A FUNNY ONE

Author of the popular Alex Sparrow books and a new series Mr. Lotts and the Junkies, Jennifer Kilick loves to read, write and run as fast as she can. Her favourite things are books, trees and fluffy slippers! Following a fantastic YA8th schools event at the Beachcroft, Jennifer is back in Southend for the second time in a month! Followed by a book signing.

Every child a musician. **Dates for Autumn Term 2019** Supported music practice funding by ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND



- Friday 20th September
- Friday 27th September
- Friday 4th October
- Friday 11th October
- Friday 18th October
- No session Friday 25th October and Friday 1st November**
- Friday 8th November
- Friday 15th November
- Friday 22nd November
- Friday 29th November
- Friday 6th December

6.00 - 7.30pm at Eastwood Academy

For String, Brass, Woodwind and Percussion players of about grade 4 to 8 standard

For more information visit www.musicconsea.co.uk/yo

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- Wednesday 18th September
- Wednesday 25th September
- Wednesday 2nd October
- Wednesday 9th October
- Wednesday 16th October
- No session Wednesday 23rd October and Wednesday 30th October**
- Wednesday 6th November
- Wednesday 13th November
- Wednesday 20th November
- Wednesday 27th November
- Wednesday 4th December

5.00 - 7.00pm at Eastwood Academy

For Vocalists, Guitar, Keyboard and Drum players of about grade 2 to 8 standard

For more information visit www.musicconsea.co.uk/rockschool

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- Friday 6th December

4.30 - 5.45pm at the Southend Adult Community College

For Harp players of about grade 1 to 8 standard

For more information visit www.musicconsea.co.uk/harpgroup

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- Thursday 12th September
- Thursday 19th September
- No session Thursday 26th September**
- Thursday 3rd October
- No session Thursday 10th October**
- Thursday 17th October
- Thursday 24th October
- No session Thursday 31st October**
- Thursday 7th November
- Thursday 14th November
- Thursday 21st November
- No session Thursday 28th November**
- Thursday 5th December

5.30 - 7.00pm at Chase High School

For beginners all the way through

For more information visit www.musicconsea.co.uk/voicesonsea

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- Monday 16th September
- Monday 23rd September
- Monday 30th September
- Monday 7th October
- Monday 14th October
- No sessions Monday 21st October and Monday 28th October**
- Monday 4th November
- Monday 11th November
- Monday 18th November
- Monday 25th November
- Monday 2nd December

5.00 - 6.15pm at the Southend Adult Community College

For String players of about grade 2 to 6 standard

For more information visit www.musicconsea.co.uk/highlystrung

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- Friday 8th November
- Friday 15th November
- Friday 22nd November
- Friday 29th November
- Friday 6th December

3.30 - 5.00pm at Edwards Hall Primary School

For Vocalists, Guitar, Keyboard and Drum players of about grade 1 to 3 standard

For more information visit www.musicconsea.co.uk/primaryrock

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