

## February Newsletter 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

It is so good to see the days lengthen which means the spring is almost upon us. Our school continues to promote 'learning outside of the classroom' and both the wildlife area and the forest are a wonderful part of our daily curriculum. During the past two years, our outside learning environment has supported all of us to have good mental health.

As you know, we now have new guidance from the government around COVID. This guidance is not yet clear for schools, but we are expecting more clarification about this as the week goes on. We have been informed that routine testing of staff in primary schools will cease from Thursday, as will isolation. However, if your child is unwell and is showing any of the 3 main covid symptoms, you should check that your child does not have covid. If you test your child, and they are positive, your child should remain at home until they are better.

There is light at the end of the tunnel!

In the Autumn Term we said goodbye to Mr Bradbury and welcomed Mr Charles to the team as the new site manager. We have also employed an additional site manager, Mr Cross, so that from mid March, the school has a site manager on site throughout the day.

Regards

Mrs Bardetti

Headteacher

### Golden Assembly

Date	Name	Date	Name	Date	Name
4.2.22	Betty Newman Imani Young Jessica Sanderson Freddie Avis Zach Marshall Thomas Keen Jacob Matheson Josie Firkins Phoebe Brading Marcie French Dillon Hannant Corey Hendricks Teagan Longhurst - Cowell Louie Nichols Alfie Joseph	28.1.22	William Gibb Henry Smith Lacey King Eddie Everett Daniel Randall Cayden Cheshire Ashley Joseph James Wallace Dulcie Hurn Zeddy Buckner Arrianna Kidd Shay Fryer Kendall-Rose Sales-Smith Brooke Sayer Harry Baucutt	21.1.22	Louie Turner Harley Rawlinson James Paine Maggie-Mae Tulip Joffre Tyler Craig April Chalk Billie Simmons Niam Patel Peaches-Marie Lee-Lazone Max Partridge William Hale Connor Kyzer All of ULH
14.1.22	Aithen Shubin Isla-Rose Sutton Kristen Harris Summer Rydon Ollie Partridge Isla Murray Maggie Russell Alanna O'Hara Kason Wright Charlie Armstrong Phoebe Goldsmith Evie-Rose Hopley Elsie May Murphy Oliver Moye Ollie Partridge Aaron Grant Bailey Gilchrist Bobby Lawrence				

### **Walk & Talk**

In aid of Mental WellBeing Week, Holland Haven have taken part in the 'Walk & Talk' by Active Essex. Each class has completed a one mile walk (8 laps of the KS2 Field). Children were given the opportunity to talk to their peers about different topics as they walked around, e.g. their hobbies and interests or favourite films.

### **Children's Mental Health Week – Support from Mid and North East Essex Mind**

The theme of Children's Mental Health Week this year was Growing Together. Mid and North East Essex Mind put together a wealth of information to help parents, carers and teachers communicate with young people about mental health to support their emotional growth. Topics include tips for starting a conversation about mental health with a child, responding to their feelings of worry and coping techniques, and supporting their day to day wellbeing. To see all the information available please visit

<https://mnessexmind.org/childrens-mental-health-week/>

Mid and North East Essex Mind's Wellbeing and Resilience Mental Health team are working in school providing mental health support to students and families, please see your pastoral teams for more details about this service.

### **Skip2BFit Challenge**

This half-term, KS2 have been competing in the Skip2BFit 2 Minute Skipping Challenge each week. Well done and congratulations to the following classes for the most consecutive wins:

MCY (LKS2 winners)

ULH (UKS2 winners)

### **Street Tag**

We have been awarded 2nd place for 2,841,845 points in the Street Tag Prize Draw for being the most active school in Tendring! We would like to thank all of the children and families who have downloaded the app and taken part in the challenge.

'We have crowned our latest most active school in Tendring.

Rolph Church of England Primary School and Nursery is our Schools Leaderboard winner with 3,553,730 points.

The 2nd place winner is Holland Haven Primary School with 2,841,845 points.

The 3rd place winner is St. Osyth Primary School with 2,028,455 points.

Congratulations to all the children, parents, and school staff that have been active.

Some Highlights in this season's leaderboard achieved 32 million steps, 67,871 tags, and 35,276 active miles'

### **The Williams Cup**

Our annual, class potato competition has been relaunched as The Williams Cup in memory of Mrs Williams. This is one of our Learning Outside the Classroom entitlement projects and develops several areas of the curriculum including Home Design and Technology and Science.

Pupils are responsible for the chitting process, planting, watering and harvesting and there will be three winning categories in June: total amount, total weight and heaviest potato.

### **Dates for the Diary**

Wednesday 2nd March - Year 6 Height and Weight checks

Thursday 10th March - Year 1 to Essex Wildlife Trust Walton on the Naze

Monday 14th March - Year 2 to Essex Wildlife Trust Walton on the Naze

Tuesday 15th March - Parents Evening

Thursday 17th March - Parents Evening

### **Lifeboats**



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***COFFEE MORNING  
IN AID OF THE  
CLACTON-on-SEA LIFEBOATS***

**SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2022**

**AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH HALL,  
Frinton Road, Holland-on-Sea**

**10.00am – 12 00 noon**  
**Admission £1**  
**including coffee or tea and biscuit**

**Stalls to include – LIFEBOAT GIFTS,  
BRIC-A-BRAC, CAKES  
and RAFFLE**

Organised by the Clacton Lifeboat Ladies