

Thank you very much for coming along to our Celebration Evening on Wednesday. It was great to see so many families join us. I think it is always lovely to celebrate the achievements of the year in such a visual way. Thank you to the teachers and teaching assistants for their hard work in preparing the rooms.

We now only have ten school days left of this academic year which seems incredible to believe - they are ten very busy ones so do keep an eye on the diary as you won't want to miss anything!

Wishing you a lovely restful weekend and a happy final few days of term!

### Summer Bonanza

I would like to say a really big 'thank you' to the members of our Friends' Association and all the other parents and staff who helped to set up, tidy up and run the Summer Bonanza. It was a wonderful afternoon, with warm weather too - even going into The Cage of Monsters wasn't too bad - although I must be a very mean and nasty headteacher to have attracted such a crowd; perhaps the company of Skittleman was a bit of an attraction too! Did you like our t-shirts?

Thank you also to everyone who came along and supported the event with a very special 'Thank you' to Claire Ivimy, Helen Shipway and Noemi Boulwood for organising the event, and to Laura Mason (Secretary) and Freyja Ginn (Treasurer) for supporting behind the scenes.

It was a wonderful afternoon with an amazing atmosphere; everyone seemed to be having a great time enjoying the different events on offer.

Overall, the Bonanza raised £4654.37 which is a magnificent amount of money and truly reflects not only the hard work put in but also the amount of fun everyone had!

It has been a very successful year for our Friends' Association. Sadly, Noemi is stepping down as Co-Chair at the end of the year due to work commitments. We would like to thank her for all her hard work and dedication during her time as Co-Chair.

We are very lucky to be moving into the new year with all key committee positions filled but the committee will need your support so please do consider helping in some way.

We would love to see lots of new faces at our AGM on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 8.00pm.

### Year Group Competition at the Summer Bonanza

Thank you very much for your generous donations for the Year Group tombolas and to the children who helped run the stalls. The results are below:

Year 6 - Yellow - £329.50

Year 5 - Blue - £249.75

Year 4 - Green - £220.85

Year 3 - Red - £232.50

Overall £1032.60 was raised on the Year Group stalls alone which is amazing. Well done everyone!

A special well done to Year 6 who have earned themselves a non-uniform day on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July!

### Forhcoming Diary Dates

#### School Dinners - Week 3

#### Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July

- Year 6 play - filmed dress rehearsal - 9.30am

#### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July

- Year 6 Play - 1.45pm - Cast A  
**Entrance strictly by programme only - pre-school children and babies are not permitted to attend.**

#### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July

- Year 6 Play - 7.00pm - Cast B - children need to return to school at 6.30pm; pick up time is 8.25pm

**Entrance strictly by programme only - pre-school children and babies are not permitted to attend.**

#### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July

- Year 5 'Taster Morning' at Mayflower High School

#### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

- Wacky Hair Day
- Report reply slips due back today

#### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July

- Year 6 Leavers' Disco - 6.00pm - 8.00pm

#### Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July

- Year 3 smoothie making (am) - please can we borrow blenders from Year 3 families?
- Non-uniform day for the Year 6 - for raising the most money on their colour stall at the Bonanza

#### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July

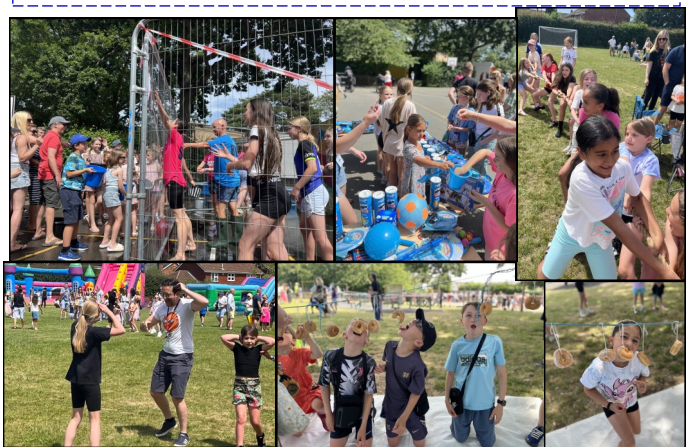
- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - 9.30am

#### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

- Last day of term - Grab a Bag lunch
- Year 6 Leavers' Parade at 3.30pm

### Parking in Trafalgar Way and Westbourne Gardens

Please can I remind you that the car parks adjacent to these roads are private and for residents only. Thank you.



*'Maximum Effort for  
Maximum Achievement'*

### Sports Day - 2024

Thank you very much to everyone who was able to join us for this year's Sports Day! I think you will agree that it was a fantastic day and that there was a lovely atmosphere. The children were magnificent - it is always great to see them working together in their House teams, encouraging one another throughout the events and as ever, their behaviour was exemplary. Thank you to the staff team for organising and running the day.

Congratulations to all the children - you were all amazing but, sadly, there can only be one winner, so here are the results:

**Year 3 and Year 4 - Leopards**

**Year 5 and Year 6 - Jaguars**

And this year's overall winners are the **Jaguars**  
Well done to our winning teams!



### Welcome into the World!

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Mellor on the birth of their baby daughter, Hallie Louise, who arrived safely on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 10.34pm - a little sister for Jake! We are looking forward to Mrs Mellor and her baby daughter visiting us in due course!

### School Development Plan - 2024/2025

As you may recall, on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June, representatives from all stakeholder groups, across Buttsbury Infant and Buttsbury Junior School met to review the schools' progress in 2023/2024 and identify priorities for 2024/2025. The joint School Development Plan incorporates the ideas and suggestions of all our stakeholders, staff, parents, children and trustees. It also links closely to the Ofsted framework. We hope that our School Development Plan will continue to drive improvement in the schools and help us maintain our status as an outstanding school. Please find a summary of the key aspects of our School Development Plan attached with this week's newsletter. I hope that it is useful to read. Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and suggestions.

### Wacky Hair Day - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

For a suggested donation of £1, the children may come to school wearing their hair in a 'wacky' style! Coloured hair spray is permitted but please be sensible as it tends to leave marks if children lean on things! Please note that, if it is a hot day, the hairspray can tend to 'drip' if the children sweat! Also, please be aware that it needs to be temporary and all trace needs to be gone by Monday. All the money raised is for the Friends' Association. Donations can be made via ParentPay or in cash.

### Swimming Gala - County Final at William de Ferrers

Yesterday, our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 Swimming Teams competed in the County Final at William de Ferrers School. Our swimmers swam brilliantly and rose to the challenge of the occasion. We won lots of individuals and, once again, dominated the relays.

The overall results showed that our Year 3/4 team finished in third place overall and our Year 5/6 team won their competition which means they are now the County Champions! (We've won this for seven years in a row!) Well done to all the swimmers for their commitment and determination. Thank you also to Alex and Will (Elites Swimming) for assisting with the training and to all the staff who supported the team by either supervising at the training sessions or at the gala itself.

### Out of School Success

- \* Well done to Noah Dias (3W) who attended his first ever karate competition and won two bronze medals! This has now gained him entry to the Champion of Champions competition in October!
- \* Congratulations to Ruby Warren-Gunn (5R) who was voted, end of season 'Parents' Player of the Season' and also has a West Ham signing for 2024/2025.
- \* Well done to Henry Dean (5R) who successfully graded up to his Purple stripe belt in karate on Sunday.
- \* Congratulations to David McConnell (5B) who has passed his Grade 1 piano exam.
- \* Well done to Holly Lague (5B) who passed her JKA England Karate grading on Saturday and has gone from a purple belt to a purple stripe belt.
- \* Congratulations to Darcy Shorey (3BW) who performed in the LL Dance school show at Palace Theatre in Southend on Monday evening along with some other children who go to Buttsbury school juniors and infants.
- \* Well done to Sam McFeely (6M) who was awarded the Jack Petchey award at scouts for being such an inspiration to others.



Celebration Evening



# Celebration Assembly

*'Well Done' to all the children who were awarded MERIT certificates this week.*

Zachary Mason-Bauchham	Coraline Riches
Max Barford	Frankie Moughton
Oscar Turner	Grace Ivimy
Poppy Bolt Emerson	Mariia Federova
Bobby Rowling	Jasper Smith
Ted Gort	Oliver Munro
Esmae Baker	Zach Chambers
Sophie Holms	James Ivimy
George Brooks	Myla Hands
Patrick Dillon	Jax Evans
Lola Obergan	Nancy Dormer
Keyla Osborne	Joe Hussey



*This week's 'Writers of the Week' are:*

Max Wilson Amelia Gabriel-West  
 Oscar Peplow Isla Keniry Freya Anderson  
 Riwaya Atapattu Julian Hak Sofia Tseng  
 Well done to our writing super stars!



*This week's 'Mathematicians of the Week' are:*

Poppy Bolt-Emerson Emilio Gallone Eddie Nunney  
 Layla Foley Oliver Stephens Olivia Shearwood  
 Betsy Burcombe Adam Sargood Daisy Mumford  
 Well done to our magical mathematicians!



*This week's 'Readers of the Week' are:*

Alice Bennett Vince Drury Teddy Thomas  
 Jenson Wallis Daniel Blyth-Tancock  
 Daisy Hughes Asa Taylor Jack Tyler  
 Well done to our enthusiastic readers!

*This week's 'Times Table Rockstars' are:*

Amelia Hudson Tommy Smith  
 Riwaya Atapattu Alessia Tutuianu  
 Harry Parker Betsy Burcombe  
 Lilani Luthra Eva Moughton



## Cricket News

A spectacular start to Monday meant that the Wimbledon weather had held and the Year 5/6 County Cricket Final could be played in glorious sunshine. As one of 19 teams from across Essex, our team played at Billericay Cricket Club. We won our opening two fixtures before our morning break; however, after this we lost our remaining two group games (the first to the eventual runners-up) and finished third in our group. Following on from this, we played a semi-final for the Division Two trophy, this being against the other third place finishers. A very close game which saw us lose by 9 runs. The team played some wonderful cricket and represented the school fantastically. The Bowling Performance of the Day was won by Ollie Thorpe; The Batting Performance of the Day was won by Charlie Cooper and the Catch of the Day was won by Henry Chandra, who took 4 catches on the day. Thank you must go out to all of the parents who supported the team through the day, to Mrs Whiting for her support at all of our tournaments this year and, of course, to Mr Tweedie, our wonderful coach and manager!



## Wrap Around Care - Update

I have been working closely with our current providers - CAT Club, Treehouse and Little Legs/Party House and am pleased to tell you about plans for the Autumn Term: CAT Club are making some changes to how they use their site and hope to be able to offer 10 more places each day. Little Legs/Party House have been working closely with Noah's Ark and myself and hope to open a new provision, using the Noah's Ark building, to accommodate up to 25 children before/after school each day! We hope this will be available from 4<sup>th</sup> November. Noah's Ark will continue to operate as a pre-school during the school day.

## Pen Licences

Well done to Alfie Moclair, Anya Farley, Leya Isikgun, Amber Jobbins, Poppy Walsh, Scarlett Welch and Ellena Boulwood who all received their Pen Licence this week.

## House Points

This week's winning house:

**Leopards**



## Top Table

This week, the children chosen by the Midday Assistants to sit at the 'Top Table' were:

Ben Ferris  
 Frederick Solomons  
 Hannah Lister  
 Hope O'Sullivan  
 Betsy Burcombe



*This week's attendance figure is: 96.7%!*

*This year's attendance target is 97.0%.*

A special 'Well Done' to Class 4H who had the highest attendance this week - 99.4%! Congratulations!



## Rainbow Awards

Congratulations to this week's **BLUE** and **ORANGE** award winners this year:

**Jeremiah Hernandez**      **Dougie Kerr**

Congratulations to this week's **RED** award recipient.

**Phoenix Wood**

Phoenix has earned himself a Non-Uniform Day on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July**.

Well done to our **BRONZE Pot of Gold** recipients this week:

**Taylor Gibson**  
**Edie Buick**  
**Jude Goad**

**Louie Omer**  
**Oliver Hughes**  
**Frankie Stapleton**

**Jamie Rocks**  
**Matthew Hughes**

**Jamie Collyer**  
**Archie Alderton**

Congratulations to this week's **SILVER Pot of Gold** winners:

**Ruben Skehill**  
**Sophia Keys**  
**Peter Fallouh**  
**Grace Brockwell**  
**Layla Foley**

**Summer Tait**  
**Louie Parnell**  
**Isabelle Oldland**  
**Faith Fenton**

**Leo McDougall**  
**Jasper Wood**  
**Poppy Higgs**  
**Julio Ferreira-Melo**

**William Stafford**  
**Maxwell Green**  
**Sophia Buffoni**  
**Eni Omopariola**

A super **HUGE 'Well Done'** to this week's **GOLD Pot of Gold** recipients who have successfully navigated their way through the whole rainbow to reach the final Pot of Gold:

**Henry Fuller**  
**Lily Woods**  
**Scarlett Metcalfe**  
**Alice Brooks**  
**Archie Pearce**  
**Erin Collins**  
**Poppy Bolt Emerson**  
**Ava Meade**  
**Poppy Briggs**  
**Myla Hands**  
**Layla Faris**  
**Betsy Burcombe**  
**Georgie Hodges**  
**Thomas Wright**

**Lola Cohen**  
**Isla Clifford**  
**Noah Vasiliou**  
**Will McLellan**  
**Olivia Cullen**  
**Frankie Moughton**  
**Zack Brewer**  
**James Rowley**  
**George Brooks**  
**Daisy Hughes**  
**Anya Farley**  
**Jessica Cambridge**  
**Keyla Osborne**

**Maisie Doyle**  
**Isabella Davies**  
**Francesca Brown**  
**Harry Ekers**  
**Arun Sawhney**  
**Daisy Mumford**  
**Cameron McGee**  
**Teddy Thomas**  
**Evan Aarons**  
**James Knowler**  
**Charlie Leach**  
**Leonie Fairhead**  
**Jack Tyler**

**Albie McCarthy**  
**David McConnell**  
**Ivy Duerden**  
**Emily O'Keefe**  
**Kaitlyn Charles Pradeep**  
**Michael Reason**  
**Oscar Peplow**  
**Erin Bateman**  
**Arnav Gupta**  
**Lavanya Soni**  
**Zachary Webster**  
**Heath Harlow**  
**Annabelle Wilks**

### Eco-Team

Well done to the following children who have been selected to join our Eco-Team:

**Anna Weddell, Alessia Tutuianu, Georgie Harding, Callie Beadon and Alfie Moclair**

The children had to submit a letter of application to the Eco-Team. The letters were then anonymised and used as the basis for selection by our current Eco-Team. We look forward to welcoming our new team members and continuing the wonderful work of our Eco-Team.

### District Sports

On Wednesday, 54 of our most talented athletes went to Billericay High School to compete in the District Sports competition. We took part in different events across the morning, including throwing events, standing long jump, vertical jump, sprints, a 600m run and, of course, the relay races, against 7 other primary schools across Billericay.

The Year 3/4 team showed a high level of enthusiasm and commitment as for some it was their first time at this event. The Year 5/6 team brought their skills and experience to the competition and all year groups produced some pleasing results. Buttsbury had many successes throughout the day with lots of bronze, silver and gold medals being won by both individuals and teams. It was a successful morning with the Year 3/4 team finishing in 3rd place and the Year 5/6 team retaining their title in 1<sup>st</sup> place! Well done to all of the children that took part. A big thank you to Miss Pretty, Mrs Lee, Mr Nation, Mrs Willis, Mrs Hennessey, Mrs Strickland and Mrs Whiting for helping to supervise the children throughout the day. A special thanks goes to Mr Nation, Miss Pretty and Mrs Lee who have helped coach the teams over the past few weeks.

