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## Diary Dates

### Year 1 Activity Day

Tuesday 18th July 2023

*Please see ClassDojo for further information.*

### Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Tuesday 18th July 2023: 2:00pm-3:00pm

Wednesday 19th July 2023: 2:00pm-3:00pm

### Year 6 Leavers Disco

Thursday 20th July 2023: 4:00pm-5:30pm

### Last Day of Term and Picnic Lunch

Friday 21st July 2023

## School Dinners

Please see our school website for a copy of the School Dinner Menu.

w/c Monday 17th July

**Week 1**

## ATTENDANCE

We have noticed an increasing number of children arriving late to school. Children should be sitting at their desks for registration by **8:50am**. Please be aware that any child who arrives after this time and registered at the office will receive an **unauthorised mark**. This will affect your child's attendance and could inevitably lead to intervention by the Education Welfare Service.

Please note that if your child is absent from school, it is your responsibility to contact the school by telephoning the office and reporting the absence directly to a member of staff, which is in accordance with our Attendance Policy and Absence Procedures. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

## WRAPAROUND AND SCHOOL DINNERS

Please ensure all outstanding arrears for 'School Dinners' and 'Wraparound Sessions' are cleared in FULL by **Friday 21st July 2023**. We thank you for your cooperation.

## Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to the parents/carers who attended our Sports Day events this week and for the positive feedback. It was great to see the children competing in their classes and trying their best to earn points. The winners will be presented with the Sports Day Trophy and Certificates in our Sports Assembly on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July. I would like to thank Mr Cooper and Miss Huxster for organising the events, and the White Hall PTA for providing refreshments.

The children and staff were treated to an ice cream or lolly on Wednesday afternoon to reward them for their hard work this year. Our children displayed impeccable manners towards the vendors serving them and thoroughly enjoyed the treat.

The school Netball Team competed in a competition at TTC on Wednesday. The team managed to secure second place, losing narrowly to the winners St. Clare's 1-0. Miss Thorpe was delighted with the performance, particularly with Bella and Bethany who were representing the school for the first time.

As the term draws to an end, we are sad to be saying goodbye to the following staff:

- Miss Thorpe
- Mrs Tweed
- Mrs Baratta
- Miss Chappell

I would like to thank them for everything they have done for our school and wish them all the best for the future.

Next week is a very busy final week with the following events taking place:

- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly to parents/carers
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Whole school film morning
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Disco
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Sports Assembly

If you would like to access the Wraparound provision, please book a place, or places, at:

<https://forms.office.com/e/N0Qckf58bd>

Mr. Bradley, Headteacher

## TENDRING SHOW

Well Done to our Healthy School Team!

This year, we achieved 2nd place for our Grub in a Tub and Bunting.

We also received 'Highly Commended' for our display. All of our creations were inspired by Forest School Principles.

Thank you to all of the children, staff and parents who supported our team this year.

Healthy School Team.

As the weather gets warmer, please ensure your children are wearing sun cream and bring hats to school. It is really important that every child brings a water bottle each day to school.

May we please remind all parents/carers that the school has a nut free policy, as we have several pupils with severe nut allergies. Please ensure your children's lunch boxes/snacks do not contain nuts or products containing nuts.

Please also be aware that with regards to sun cream, almond oil is included on the ingredients list as 'Prunus Amygdalus Dulcis Oil'. May we please ask that you check the ingredients of ALL your sunscreen products before applying this to your child or bringing this into the school. We thank you for supporting us in keeping our children safe.

Dear all Year 2 Parents/Carers,

Your child's Universal Free School Meals will cease on **Friday 21st July 2023**.

For Parents/Carers who receive a Free School Meal food voucher over the half terms, your child's Free School Meal entitlement will continue until the end of their primary school education. Therefore, no action is required.

For Parents/Carers who do NOT receive Free School Meal vouchers over the half terms, you will need to pay for any school meals taken from **5th September 2023**, when your child starts Year 3. If you believe your child is entitled to receive Free School Meals, via eligible benefits, please contact the school office, so an application can be made to check your eligibility.

The deadline for us to check your entitlement is **Friday 14th July 2023**. This is to enable your child to receive ongoing Free School Meals in September.



**FREE PLACES** for White Hall Academy Nursery children available from SEPT 23, as our current wonderful Nursery children move up to school.

Please tell your friends, neighbours and family: -

Free places available for 3-4 year olds (term after child's 3rd birthday) with universal funding and FREE places available to 2yr olds (term after child's 2nd birthday), subject to eligibility.

Additional sessions available at family - friendly rates, no more than the funding rate. 30hrs available for working parents subject to eligibility, with lunch session available at a small extra cost.

High quality teaching and learning in a warm and friendly, multi-sensory, enabling environment with a strong key person approach so your child settles quickly and is confident, safe and happy.

Come and look around and join up soon to give your child an outstanding start - 'Let your Little Star shine, where children and families come first'.

Read our school OFSTED report.

<https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/2770645>



The MAZE is a unique approach to SEND which offers insights into how children with additional needs experience the world.

We have free monthly coffee mornings in Colchester, Frinton, Clacton, Mistley and Harwich, a specialist weekly programme available online and face-to-face groups in Colchester, Clacton and Harwich. In addition, we offer an online course on navigating the SEND system and a support programme for parents who have additional needs. Our aim is to guide, advise and support you for as long as you need us.



### MAZE Parenting Programme

The MAZE Parenting Programme is a structured specialist 12-week programme (10 weeks online) for parents/carers of children and young people with any kind of additional needs (with or without a diagnosis).

There are several visiting professionals from health, education and independent organisations who join us to deliver specialist sessions on a range of topics such as sensory processing difficulties, resilience, behaviour and anger management, continence, sleep, diet/eating, therapeutic interventions and mental health. A key strength of our programme and approach is the multi-agency collaboration, with ongoing support by trained, experienced Parent Mentors.

### MAZE SEND Programme

This course will help you learn how the SEND system works and the influences and pressures on all of its parts, the law and your rights. Additionally, how to manage your emotions and understand how to master your own responses, so you can have difficult or seemingly impossible conversations, persevere until you get the outcome you want and then maintain this standard over time, through effective meetings and monitoring where to find sources of reliable information and independent support.

### ND Parent Support Group

This support group aims to help parents with Neuro Divergent conditions to make connections with other parents who may think and experience the world in a similar way. A range of topics will be covered during the group sessions.

We aim to match the topics covered to the needs of the group, allowing for new topics to be added when needed.



### Coffee Mornings

Monthly coffee mornings are held in Colchester, Harwich, Mistley, Clacton and Frinton for parents/carers of children and young people with any kind of additional needs (with or without a diagnosis).

Please do come along to any of the venues. No booking necessary.



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**Wednesday 13th September 2023**  
**9:30am - 11:30am**  
**White Hall Academy**  
**Please contact the school office for referral.**



## Step by Step - Primary



Step by Step Primary is open to all parents of children aged 4-11 years. This 9 week programme aims to help parents develop positive relationships with their child; increase confidence in handling children's behaviour and help parents to make good links with their child's school.

The topics covered are: being a parent; developing relationships through play; listening and talking; feelings; praise and rewards; routines, rules and limit setting; managing behaviour and problem solving.

**Thursday 21st September 2023**

**9.30am - 11.30am**

**White Hall Academy, Clacton**

**Held in partnership with White Hall Academy**

For more info or to book a place call EXTRA on **01255 475001** or



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AGE 8-11 | EVERY MONDAY FROM 26TH JUNE | 4:15-5:15PM  
CLACTON COASTAL ACADEMY

In the Sports Hall  
Open to all children, ideal for those joining CCA in yr7

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