



Ardleigh St. Mary's Church of England Primary School (Voluntary Controlled) Primary School



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### Young Voices Concert 2017



On Monday 6th February 2017, we took members of *Glee Bees* (the Choir) to the O2 Arena in London to take part in the 2017 Young Voices concert.

The children had been working hard to learn the songs and dance moves and this commitment certainly helped them on the night. It was a thoroughly enjoyable experience, particularly because the children were all so well behaved - it was a pleasure to take them to this event.

Well done to:-

Y1 - Leah Bircher, Harry Dagnall-Hood, Megan Davis, Violet Nancarrow-Cooper, Maisie Reid

Y2 - Amelie Andrews, Kaci Bircher, Daisy Crilly, Jennifer Owen, Rosie Reade, Ava-May Shelley

Y3 - Mia Andrews, Rebecca Salmon

Y4 - Evan Bament, Sarah Scofield

Y6 - Imogen Howard-Lock, Matthew Salmon, Emily Waddell

I would like to thank

\*Rebecca Hammond and Mrs Bament, our *GleeBees* leads, for teaching the songs to the children and coming along on the day, although, unfortunately Rebecca was not able to accompany us

\*Amanda Watts, Mrs Salmon and Kathy Thompson for helping on the day

\*Mrs Adams and Mrs Snook for organising behind the scenes



Meals - Lunch Menu

The menu for the week beginning 20.02.17 is Menu 47



Additional Letters



## Sports News Football Match

Last Friday, 3rd February 2017, our footballers returned to action with an exciting Constable League match against Lawford, at home. Two evenly matched sides competed well for every ball and there were plenty of chances for both teams. However, despite several shots hitting the post or the bar, the score remained 0-0 and both sides had to be happy with one point. Well played to all the team: Keaton Huffey, Sonny Dines, Jamie Smith, James Tree, Franco Wallis, Paolo Wallis, Archie Cathro and Ashton Heath.

Mr Evans



Report written by Paolo Wallis - Y5

On Friday the 3rd of February Ardleigh St. Mary's played Lawford Primary School in a football match. In the first half they had a good chance on goal but the ball didn't cross the line. In the second half Ardleigh hit the post and hit the crossbar but then again it didn't cross the line! The final score was 0 - 0 which some parents described as a fair match!



## Swimming Gala

Yesterday, Thursday 9th February 2017, our swimming squad went to Dovercourt swimming pool to take part in the annual Harwich and District Primary Schools' Sports Association Swimming Gala.

The children were all really excited but a little nervous too, as they were not too sure what to expect!

Our relay teams went first, swimming freestyle, and both boys' and girls' teams did enough to qualify for the finals.

The individual events were next, with everyone determined to do their best and as a result several of the squad also qualified for the finals.

After the individual events came the fun relay which consisted of 4 swimmers in the pool at the same time, pushing a large float from one end to the other. Each time they reached the end of the length, one of the team had to leave the pool until there was only 1 child left in the pool.

Once this had finished the finals of all the events were announced. James Tree had qualified for the final of the Boys' Front Crawl and after an exciting race, emerged as the winner! Edward Reeve also qualified for the Boys' Breaststroke Final and once again, we watched a nail biting race which ended in a victory for Edward! We also qualified for the following finals:-

Boys' Freestyle Relay

Girls' Freestyle Relay

Girls' Breaststroke - Imogen Howard-Lock

Boys' Breaststroke - Sonny Dines

The final race was the mixed boys and girls relay race with the children going in age order, starting with the youngest.

We then waited for the results - 9 teams took part and we were delighted to hear that we had come third - a brilliant performance by every member of the squad - well done and congratulations go to:

Lucy Banks, Sonny Dines, Oli Elden, Ashton Heath, Imogen Howard-Lock, Edward Reeve, Matthew Salmon, Jessica Scotchmer, Jamie Smith, James Tree, Emily Waddell, Lucy Waddell

Many thanks go to Mrs Flannery and Amanda Watts, who helped poolside and to the parents who helped with transport and who came to support.





### Guys and Dolls Production

On Tuesday 7th February 2017 Year 6 children went with Mrs Flannery to Manningtree High School to watch their production of Guys and Dolls.

The play was acted by some students from Manningtree High School.

The play was about 4 people who were in love and there were lots of twists because one minute they hated each other and the next minute they loved each other - so it was quite confusing!

Everyone really enjoyed it and the acting was really good. Some of Ardleigh's ex-pupils were in it as well so it was good to see them too!

Report written by Jamie Smith - Y6



### Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday 7th February 2017 the whole school was involved in activities related to the safe use of images when on line as part of the national 'Safer Internet Day' programme.

The activities involved the children looking at a series of images and then they had to decide which ones could be trusted or not based on their opinion and first impressions.

Discussions were held around the idea that 'not everything is at it seems!'

The children enjoyed the activities and developed their understanding of safer use of the internet even further.

Mr Kempster



### Computing Workshop

On Thursday 9th February 2017 three Year 5 children; Jarvis Heath, Charlotte McKenna and Thomas Owen, went with Mrs McKenna, to Langham Primary School to take part in a Computing Workshop.

This had been organised as part of the Tendring Small Schools' Cluster Enrichment Activity Programme and five other schools from this group joined us on the day.

We had a choice of 3 challenges to complete. We each had a robot, a computer and help from the Langham pupils and we had to programme what we wanted our robot to do e.g. draw a triangle, circle or pentagon.

We also had to design a maze and our robot had to go through it and then had to throw a ball over the net.

We all thoroughly enjoyed it - even Mrs McKenna!

Report written by Charlotte McKenna - Y5



### REMINDER

Don't forget that we break up today for half term.

Monday 20th February 2017 is a non pupil day.

The children return on Tuesday 21st February 2017

### World Book Day

Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day.

To mark this special day, we are inviting all children to come to school dressed as a book character. The theme for the day is 'Children's Books' and you can choose a character from any book by either:-

Julia Donaldson,  
David Walliams  
Roald Dahl.

The 'Friends of' are kindly providing a prize for the best dressed boy and girl in each class so get creative.

We can't wait to see which character you will come as!

More details will follow after half term.



### Parent Teacher Interviews

Your appointment times were sent out on Thursday 9th February 2017.

Please let us know if you have not received these.

Thank you.



### Dates For Your Diary

- \*10.02.17 Break up
- \*20.02.17 Non Pupil Day
- \*21.02.17 Return to School
- \*22.02.17 East Bergholt Spelling Bee Championship - Introductory Talk - Class 4
- \*23.02.17 Y3/4 Roman Cup Round 1 - details sent out 10.02.17
- \*24.02.17 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster Enrichment Activity - KS2 Quiz @ Tendring Primary School - details to follow
- \*27.02.17 Cricket starts for Class 2
- \*28.02.17 Friends' of Pancake Breakfast - details to follow
- \*01.03.17 Provisional date for the 'Grand Opening' of the new play equipment - details to follow
- \*01.03.17 Squash Club starts for Y5/6
- \*02.03.17 World Book Day
- \*03.03.17 HSA 5-A-Side Indoor Football Tournament @ Harwich Sports centre - details to follow
- \*09.03.17 Y3/4 Roman Cup Round 2 - details to follow
- \*09.03.17 Road Safety Workshop for Y5
- \*10.03.17 HSA Outdoor Hockey Tournament - Harwich Sports Centre - details to follow
- \*13.03.17 Tiptree and Stanway Consortium KS1 Music Festival - details to follow
- \*13.03.17 Ardleigh Pre-School - visiting Class 1 / attending Assembly
- \*15.03.17 Essex Finals - Tag Rugby Tournament - details to follow
- \*15.03.17 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster KS2 Music Festival @ St. George's, Great Bromley - details to follow
- \*15.03.17 Friends of Film Club - details to follow
- \*17.03.17 Healthy Schools' Award Ceremony - details to follow
- \*20.03.17 Ardleigh Pre-School - Forest School session at Ardleigh St. Mary's
- \*23.03.17 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster Enrichment Activity - Science Workshop - aimed at Y4 @ St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School - details to follow
- \*23.03.17 Y3/4 Roman Cup Round 3 - The Final! - details to follow
- \*24.03.17 Red Nose Day
- \*28.03.17 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster 5-A-Side Football Tournament @ Ardleigh - details to follow
- \*29.03.17 KS1 Music Festival @ Heathlands Primary School, West Bergholt - details to follow
- \*31.03.17 Break up
- \*18.04.17 Return to School

#### Non Pupil Days

Monday 20th February 2017 - Provision Enhancement Day  
Monday 5th June 2017 - Curriculum Analysis

#### Forest School Sessions

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Class 1 - Thursday                      Y2 - Wednesday

Y4 - Thursday                              Y6 - Friday

After School Clubs



Football Club

The next Football Club is on Monday 27th February 2017



Chatterbooks Club

The next Chatterbooks Club is on Wednesday 1st March 2017



Handicrafts Club

The next Handicrafts Club is on Monday 27th February 2017



School Band Practice

The next School Band practice is on Thursday 23rd February 2017



Let's Get Sporty Club

The next Let's Get Sporty Club is on Tuesday 21st February 2017



Tag Rugby Club

The next Tag Rugby Club is on Friday 24th February 2017



Computing Club

The next Computing Club is on Tuesday 21st February 2017



Glee Bees Club

The next Glee Bees Club is on Friday 24th February 2017



Please don't forget, if you have any issues or queries you want to discuss with any member of Staff please come in and speak to us.



Have a lovely half term.  
Take care - From all at Ardleigh St. Mary's

