



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



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Living the Olympic  
and Paralympic Values

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### Welcome



We would like to welcome Jack and Mia Andrews who joined our school on Monday.

Jack is in Year 3 and Mia is in Y1.

They are already settling in and we are looking forward to getting to know Jack, Mia and their family better.

We hope they are happy in our school.

### Garden Ceremony



On Friday morning four representatives from Gardening Club went with Mrs Beveridge and Miss Mutimer to the Mayor's garden in Harwich to attend a Garden Ceremony.

This was for the Harwich and District Crime Prevention Panel North Tendring Primary Schools celebration of Gardening event 2015. The judges had visited the school the previous week to 'inspect' our gardens and during this time, they managed to write 3 pages about their findings! At the ceremony the children were told that only 1 page had been written about each of the schools!

The children; Lucy Harris, Emily Waddell, Grace Johnson-Laird and Danny Percival, along with Mrs Beveridge and Miss Mutimer were delighted to be awarded with a certificate in recognition of their enthusiastic effort in participating in this competition.

They also received various other gifts including a bag of compost!

Well done to all of Gardening Club - you should be very proud of your achievements.

### Butterfly Visit

Last Friday Jim made a second visit to Class 2 to discuss the Big Butterfly Count that Butterfly Conservation is running.

He explained which ones they were likely to see and the habitat they favoured.

After this they went on a butterfly hunt and managed to spot some Small Tortoiseshell and a Large White.

Class 2 are looking forward to having their faces painted next week.



### Meals - Lunch Menu

The menu for the week beginning 13.07.15 is Menu 33



### Additional Letters



### Sports Day

On Tuesday afternoon we held our annual Sports Day.

It was a lovely afternoon, the weather stayed fine, which was a huge bonus and it was great to see so many families and friends of the school join us for the event.

All of the children participated in a sporting manner and the outcome of the afternoon was that the winning team was St George.

The results were as follows:

St. George - 171 points

St. Andrew - 151 points

St. Patrick - 134 points

St. David - 116 points

Well done to everyone.



### School Picnic

The school picnic was held on Thursday afternoon and once again we were very lucky with the weather.

I would like to thank Ruth and her team for providing such a lovely lunch. It takes a lot of time and effort to produce an event like so I am extremely appreciate of their hard work.

Thank you to everyone for coming and I hope everyone enjoyed themselves.



### Strawberry Plant Judging

The judging of the Strawberry Plants also took place on Thursday afternoon. The judges; Chris Batchelor of Wallings Nursery and Lynn Askham of the Arleigh Horticultural Society, had a difficult time in selecting the winning plants.



The results were:

1st Place - Reuben Dines - Y1

2nd Place - Alfie Austin - Y5

3rd Place - Olivia Elden - Y4

Highly Recommended:

Rebecca Salmon, Annabelle Tunmore - Y1

Danny Percival - Y3

Naomi High, Cherri-Mai Moore - Y5

Well done to all of the children who took part and many thanks to Chris Batchelor of Wallings Nursery who donated the Strawberry Plants.

## Ardleigh Community Award Events

### Camp Out



Last Friday saw the Y6 children taking part in their annual Camp Out as part of their Ardleigh Community Award. They arrived back at school at 5.30pm for a meal of hot dogs, burgers and delicious cakes, provided and prepared by Mrs Callen and Mrs Smee-Hotene, which the children thoroughly enjoyed.

We then had a game of rounders, which the adults joined in with and there was a great deal of laughter when the adults were out very quickly; especially when Leo Dines ran out Mr Cole, who was on the same team! Mr Cole was not impressed!!!

The rest of the evening was taken up with putting the tents up, moving their belongings in and enjoying time around the camp fire in the Forest School area.

They drank hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows in the fire and told stories and sang songs until it was time to go to bed.

Most of the children managed to sleep through the storm of thunder, lightning and torrential rain and they had to be woken in the morning to eat their breakfast and then take down the tents.

We all had a great time and the children were incredibly behaved.

Many thanks go to all of the staff and governors who gave up their time to provide such an enjoyable experience for the children;

Mrs Callen, Mr Evans, Mr Jones, Mr McKenna, Mrs Perou, Mrs Smee-Hotene, Mr Talbot and Amanda Watts.

### Flower Arranging



On Wednesday afternoon, the children took part in their second flower arranging workshop and this time they were at the school. This was their opportunity to produce their own flower arrangements!

They were reminded about the procedures involved and were given the necessary equipment and materials to go ahead with their creations.

Sue Hulbert and Rita Randal, our Flower Arranging experts were really pleased with their efforts and designs.

This proved to be another successful event.

### Awards Evening

Last night we held the annual Ardleigh Community Award Awards Evening.

It was lovely to see so many families of our Year Six pupils and also some Year Five pupils and their families.

It was a super evening with the children eagerly awaiting to hear which award they had received.

Mr Barrott, Chair of Governors, presented the following awards:-

Participation Award - Cameron Adams, William Cathorne, Leo Dines, Lily Ives, Libby Milne and Sonni Smee-Hotene

Bronze Award - William Dutch, Jacob High, Jacob Saunders and Gino Wallis

Silver Award - Josie Mason-Cherry, Hannah Morley

Gold Award - Evie Cathro, Darcy Lee, Joseph McKenna, Gareth Thrower and Charlotte Tree

Contribution to the Community Award - Gareth Thrower

Outstanding Commitment Award - Charlotte Tree

Well done to all of the children.

Many thanks go to all of the staff and Governors who support the award and who were present last night - thank you very much.





### Class 1 visit to Ardleigh Pre-School

On Friday morning Class 1 went to Ardleigh Pre-School for their Sports Day. They watched the running races, egg and spoon races and the welly throwing. They even had a Class 1 race, which the pupils enjoyed very much. We would like to thank Ardleigh Pre-School for their invitation.



### Ardleigh Pre-School News

#### **Tendring Show**

**Could you spare an hour or two to help sell programmes at this year's Tendring Show which is on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July? And help raise money for the pre-school at the same time?**

We have been invited again to sell the programmes at the Tendring Show, last year we were paid £720 in commission, which is a large chunk of our annual fundraising.

All we do is "man" the gates and sell the programmes as people come in the show, or go out to the queues and sell before they even come through the gates. We are official programme sellers and have the badges to prove it!

In order for us to do this we obviously need plenty of volunteers throughout the day, ideally from 8am to 4pm, and as there are several entrances in to the show ground, we need lots of people per shift. Shifts can be as little as 1 hour, but a minimum of 2 hours would be best, and longer if you want to.

In return for your help, if you want a reward that is, we can offer free entry to the show for every helper, and if we get enough free tickets then we might also be able to give free entry to other members of your family. That way you can enjoy the show together either before or after your shift, or both.

It doesn't matter who volunteers, and if you think they will behave themselves, then children can help to. My children absolutely loved it last year. My dad worked all day and it was his 76<sup>th</sup> birthday (now that's commitment), and I believe one of the Doctors from Ardleigh Surgery is helping us this year too. The more the merrier!

If you can help can you please email Jenny a.s.a.p. at [business@ardleighpreschool.co.uk](mailto:business@ardleighpreschool.co.uk) or call/text 07702 419248

Thank you.

#### **Walking Bus**

If you need the services of the Walking Bus please contact Jenny or Lizzie from the pre-school, either in the playground or by email: [admissions@ardleighpreschool.co.uk](mailto:admissions@ardleighpreschool.co.uk) or by phone or text: 07702419248 Bookings are welcomed whether regular dates or as one-offs.

### Dates For Your Diary

- \*11.07.15 Tendring Show
- \*13.07.15 HSA Rounders Tournament @ Great Oakley - details sent out 08.07.15
- \*13.07.15 Meeting for parents of children in Class 2 in September
- \*14.07.15 Archie Dobson's War - Class 4 Production - Dress Rehearsal - 1.30pm start - details sent out 25.6.15
- \*14.07.15 Full Governing Body Planning Meeting
- \*15.07.15 Archie Dobson' War - Class 4 Production - 7pm start - details sent out 25.6.15
- \*16.07.15 Keyboard and Guitar Musical Performances - details sent out 09.07.15
- \*16.07.15 Archie Dobson's War - Class 4 Production - 7pm start - details sent out 25.6.15
- \*20.07.15 Dictionary Assembly
- \*20.07.15 Open Garden Event - 3pm - 4.30pm - details to follow
- \*21.07.15 Y6 Leavers' Lunch - details to follow
- \*21.07.15 Y6 Treat - details to follow
- \*22.07.15 Y6 Leavers' Assembly - 10am start
- \*22.07.15 Break up



### Forest School Sessions

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**Class 1 - No Forest School**  
**Y2 - Wednesday**  
**Y4 - Thursday**  
**Y6 - Friday**



### **Forthcoming Events**

- \*Archie Dobson's War -  
Class Production -  
Wednesday 15th July 2015 /  
Thursday 16th July 2015 - 7pm start
- \*Musical Assemblies - Thursday 16th  
July 2015
- \*Open Gardens Event - Monday 20th  
July 2015 - 3pm - 4.30pm
- \*Y6 Leavers' Lunch - Tuesday 21st July  
2015
- \*Y6 Treat - Bowling - pm
- \*Leavers' Assembly - Wednesday 22nd  
July 2015

### Tracksuit Tokens

Update!

All of the tokens have now been counted and sent off to the Gazette.  
We are delighted to inform you that the final total was 778 tokens!!!!!!!!!!!!!!  
Thank you very much.





### Handicrafts Club

The next Handicrafts Club is on Monday 13th July 2015

This session is for the following children:

Lucy Banks, Molly Butcher, Lucy Harris, Naomi High, Martha Hoggarth, Imogen Howard-Lock, Ruby Mason-Cherry, Rebecca Morley, Mya Patel, Helena Sahin, Rosie Snook, Leona Wade, Amelia Watkins



### Gardening Club

The last Gardening Club of this term is on Tuesday 14th July 2015

### Gardening Party!

This open to all children in Group 1 and Group 2.  
Please bring a plastic plate and a plastic cup.



### Music Makers Club

The last Music Makers Club of the term is on Thursday 16th July 2015

This session is for the following children:

Amelie Andrews, Charlotte Bohanna-Smith, Daniel Batchelor, Rosie Brook, Ellie Da Costa, Summer Harris, Olivia Harmer, Harry Ives, Lily Ives, Phoebe Lay-Flurrie, Joseph McKenna, Paige McMaster, Jude Moore, Danny Percival, Harry Rawlinson, Beatrice Scatola, Mollie Thrower



### Dramarama Club

Dramarama Club has now finished for the year



### Rounders Club

Rounders Club has now finished for the year.



### Tag Rugby Club

Tag Rugby Club has now finished for this year



### Glee Bees Club

Glee Bees has now finished for this year.



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 weekend.

Take care - From all at Ardleigh St. Mary's

