



NEWSLETTER

A message from the

PRINCIPAL

Dates for Your

DIARY



May

23rd - Last day of half term

June

2nd — Children return

4th—ZooLab Animal
Workshop - Reception

20th - Non pupil day

Class Photo's

For Class photo's taken on 24th February. Kittle Photographic have extended their deadline for free delivery to the school - please place any orders by 6th June to take advantage of the offer.

Dear parents/carers

As we come to the end of half term we must firstly congratulate the Year Six children for all the hard work they put into their SATs tests, they all focussed and we were all really proud of the great attitude they showed.

Over recent weeks we have seen a dip in our attendance, we value children's attendance as if children are not here they cannot learn! If you need any help to improve your child's attendance please contact Mrs Love.

As we enter half term please stay safe and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 2nd June.

Mrs M Cartwright

Principal



Bake Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated and made purchases at our
bake sale.

We raised £171.50!





We will be holding a book fair in school to enable parents/carers to browse and purchase any books they wish to.

The book fair will be at Ravens on the following dates from 3.15pm in the hall.

Monday 9th June
Tuesday 10th June
Wednesday 11th June
Thursday 12th June



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS—SUMMER 2

Please see below after school clubs for the next half term.

All clubs will finish on Friday 4th July.

If you were already signed up to any of the clubs then your name has been transferred to the new list and you can attend next half term.

Please remember to ensure your child has their PE kit for sports clubs.

To sign up for a club or join a new one please go to the My Child at School APP.

<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>
Board Games Mrs Pritchard R-6	Cycling / Bike Maintenance – Mr Delivett KS2	Ukele – Ms Emms	Football – Mr Clark KS2
Art Mrs Laird KS2	Sports Skills – Ms Pilgrim & Ms Parker KS2		Recorder – Ms Sacre & Miss Kelly 1-6
Anime/Pokemon – Ms Hibbs KS2 finish at 4pm	Story Time – Ms Barnes Reception finish at 4pm		

YEAR 6 UNIFORM 2025/26

We will soon be placing a orders for V neck Jumpers and ties for current year 5 ready for September. We have samples of sizes for children to try on. Should you wish to purchase any additional items please see below details of our uniform supplier.

V-neck jumpers & ties will be distributed later in the Summer Term

Year 6 Uniform 2025/26

White Shirt

Navy V Neck Jumper/Cardigan

Tie

Dark Grey/ black trousers/ skirt/ pinafore

Ravens Academy

School Specific Item	Pricing
Ravens Academy Polo	£9.19
Ravens Sweat Cardigan	£15.70
Ravens Sweatshirt	£14.96
V-Neck Sweatshirt - Year 6 Only	From £15.99
Ravens Clip On Tie - Yr 6 Only	£6.25
Ravens Academy Bookbag	£7.44

General Uniform (no logo) – Just some of the School items on the website

School General Item	Pricing	School General Item	Pricing
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*prices correct at time of printing 15th May 2025



Dear Parents



We are delighted to be the **approved supplier of your schools official uniform.**



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www.pmg-schoolwear.co.uk
or call our customer services team on
01895 809321 where a friendly and helpful service is guaranteed.



PE DAYS

Due to the change in the school week structure, PE days have changed.
See below:

DAY	CLASSES TAKING PART IN PE
Monday	Michael Jordan, Amelia Earhart, Greta Thunberg, Anne Frank, Nelson Mandela
Tuesday	Charles Darwin, Malala Yousafzai
Wednesday	Michael Jordan, Amelia Earhart, Ernest Shackleton
Thursday	Charles Darwin, Malala Yousafzai, Greta Thunberg, Albert Einstein, Neil Armstrong (swimming until 8 th May)
Friday	David Attenborough, Ernest Shackleton, Anne Frank, Nelson Mandela

Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on PE days.

PE Kit

Navy or White polo / t-shirt

Black shorts

Trainers

In winter -a black or navy tracksuit



Safeguarding



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KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE DURING THE HOLIDAYS

ANY EXTENDED PERIOD OF UNSTRUCTURED TIME CAN CAUSE FRICTION BETWEEN CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM. **THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS TO LISTEN TO WHAT IS GOING ON AND HOW THEY ARE FEELING.**

IF YOU ARE EXPECTING CHILDREN TO DO SOME THINGS ON THEIR OWN, IT'S IMPORTANT TO **MAKE SURE THEY FEEL READY AND ARE PROPERLY PREPARED.** ON THE OTHER HAND, DON'T FEEL PUSHED INTO GIVING YOUR CHILDREN TOO MUCH FREEDOM TOO EARLY. HERE ARE A FEW **BASIC TIPS TO WORK WITH CHILDREN TO AGREE STRATEGIES AND KEEP THEM AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE.**



IN THE HOME

ONLINE:

Make sure you have installed parental controls on all your internet devices. Talk to a child about what is ok to share on social media and what is not ok to share. Check their internet use regularly, including looking at any new apps they install.



OFFLINE:

If you are intending to leave children alone at home, discuss a plan with them beforehand. This could involve discussing issues like whether it's acceptable to invite other people into the house, use electrical equipment or cook on their own. Put clear rules and boundaries in place.

Make sure they have contact numbers for adults who can help if they need support. Check in with them regularly to reassure them and to make sure they are safe.



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OUT AND ABOUT

Build their confidence gradually: Allow them a short time at first and build it up bit by bit. Familiarise children with the area and safe places to cross roads before allowing them to go out alone. Let them know what they can and can't do and where they can and can't go before allowing them to go out.

Negotiate a fixed time for the child's return. Make sure they have the time with them on a watch or mobile phone.

Stay in the know: Ask your child to tell you where they are going before they go. If there is a change of plan, make sure they let you know- explain why this is important. If a child is going out with friends, make sure you know who they are with.

Keep contact details to hand: It is good to have the phone numbers and addresses of friends' parents so you can liaise with them about the arrangements and check where a child is if you lose track of them.

Ensure that children know their own home address and have memorised one or two key phone numbers. It may also be helpful to have these recorded somewhere such as in a purse or wallet.

Rehearse and plan for difficult situations: Run through scenarios with a child in advance and discuss with them what they should do in different circumstances e.g. if they lose their phone.

Give children a small amount of extra money in case they need bus fare unexpectedly. Make it clear that it must be saved for emergencies only.

Make the most of mobiles: Mobile phones can give a false sense of security. They're really helpful provided you have taken a few basic precautions:

- Make sure the phone is fully charged before the child goes out.
- Make sure you have stored several phone numbers of family and other adults who can help in an emergency.
- Make sure there is enough credit on the phone and the child knows where to access free wifi if they have a smartphone with a limited contract.

Keep your cool: If plans do go wrong, try to wait until you have calmed down before explaining to your child the dangers they could have faced. Make sure they understand why you are unhappy or worried.



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Resources for parents and carers

There are a wide range of local, national and international resources available for parents and carers who are supporting a child or young person with neurodevelopmental needs.



Essex Partnership University
NHS Foundation Trust

Essex Family Forum – Supporting your neurodiverse child: this pack is available to download, or you can request a hard copy: <https://essexfamilyforum.org/resources/nd-pack>

Essex Local Offer: the Local Offer provides information, advice and guidance on local services and support for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) aged 0-25 and their families. <https://send.essex.gov.uk/>

Essex SENDIASS: SENDIASS (SEND Information, Advice and Support Service) offer free, confidential and impartial information, advice and support service on issues related to Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND). This includes information and processes related to health and social care. <https://www.essexsendiass.co.uk/>

Parent Carer Forums (Essex Family Forum): Parent Carer Forums are groups run by parents and carers of children from a local area in England. Their aim is to make sure that services in their area meet the needs of local disabled children and their families. <https://essexfamilyforum.org/>

Local Support Groups and Charities

Little Heroes: <https://littleheroesasd.co.uk/>

SEND the Right Message Charity (STRM): <https://strmsupport.co.uk/>

SAFE (Supporting Asperger Families in Essex): <https://safeessex.org.uk/>

SNAP Charity: <https://www.snapcharity.org/>

The MegaCentre Rayleigh: <http://www.megacentrerayleigh.co.uk/>

Mental Health and Wellbeing

Southend, Essex and Thurrock Children's and Adolescent's Mental Health Service (SET CAMHS) (Previously known as EWMHs) <https://www.nelft.nhs.uk/set-camhs>



**‘Your attendance today shapes your success tomorrow.
Make it count’**

Winners!!

Week ending 9th May: David Attenborough, Michael Jordan & Anne Frank 94%

Week ending 16th May: Anne Frank & Michael Jordan 96%

Week ending 23rd May: David Attenborough & Malala Yousafzai 93%

OVERALL SUMMER 1 WINNERS: Michael Jordan 94%



ATTENDANCE

**For all school attendance queries or
if your child is going to be absent
from school please contact our
Attendance Officer, Mrs Love on:**

01255 424 328 option 4



FREE Local Support



SUPPORTING A SUCCESSFUL SECONDARY TRANSITIONS (Year 6)

Preparing for the transition to secondary school can be both exciting and challenging for families and children in Yr 6. Our 2-hour sessions are designed to help families navigate this important milestone with confidence and ease. By the end of this session, families will be equipped with the tools and knowledge to ensure a smooth and successful transition to secondary school.

16/06/2025	1900 - 2100	Online
	or	
03/07/2025	1900 - 2100	Online

Sign up today and make a positive impact on your child's life!

Visit our website [aclessex.com](https://www.aclessex.com) and type 'successful secondary' in to the 'Find a course...' box

COMMUNITY & FAMILY LEARNING





Help Your Child Master Their Emotions

Help your child understand and manage their emotions! Join us for a friendly, practical FREE online sessions introducing the Zones of Regulation. A simple, effective approach to support emotional wellbeing at home and school.

Various online sessions available at different times of the day to suit you!

For Further Information, and to Sign Up ...
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Congratulations

A big well done to Alfie in year 3 who completed the 'Pier to Pier' walk on Saturday!



MAY HALF TERM FREE ACTIVITIES

Bookings for Essex Activate free sessions is now open for eligible families. No voucher codes will be sent, to book your free place on an activity which includes a nutritious meal go to the Essex Activate website.

<https://www.activeessex.org/children-young-people/essex-activate/>



LUNCH NEWS

We have a three week menu rota

W/c - 2nd June : week 3

W/c - 9th June : week 2

W/c - 16th June : week 1

Please ensure the school are aware of
any food allergies or dietary
requirements your child has.

PACKED LUNCHES

Please be reminded we are a nut
fee school.

Term dates

May Half Term

26th May—30th May

Summer Hols

Pupils finish: Mon 21st July

Bank Holiday

5th May

Non Pupil Days

Fri 20th June

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our uniform supplier is PMG
school wear, please go to
www.pmgschoolwear.co.uk to
order uniform.

