



Dates for Your

DIARY



May

5th - Early May bank holiday

8th - VE Day: children can come to school wearing red, white & blue accessory

23rd - Last day of half term

June

VE DAY CELEBRATIONS

We will be taking part in celebrating VE day on Thursday 8th May. Children can come to school wearing a red, white and/or blue in accessory or they may replace ONE item of uniform with a red, white or blue item such as a red jumper. In addition to their uniform. This year marks the 80th anniversary since the Victory in Europe



NEWSLETTER

A message from the

PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the summer term.

Firstly, thank you to all the parents for embracing our new times, it has been really good to see the children coming in so enthusiastically at the earlier times (gates are open 8:25-8:35) and the feedback from children regarding this so far has been positive.

Many of our children began new topics this term, it has been great to see the learning around the school, from Reception practicing their number bonds of ten this week, to Year six who are getting themselves ready for SATs which are only a week away.

Our Fridays always begin in school with a celebration assembly and this week it was great to celebrate new children to the school who have joined and settled well, as well as our children who show our Ravens values of being Respectful, Aspirational, Valiant, Encouraging, Nurturing and Successful. Well done to those that received their certificates!

Mrs M Cartwright

Principal





NEW SCHOOL DAY STRUCTURE.....

We will be changing the school day structure after the Easter Holidays. Children return to school on Tuesday 22nd April.

***Gates open at:
8.25am***

***Start time:
8.35am: Monday to Friday***

***Finish time:
3.15pm: Monday—Thursday
1pm: Friday***

For those children accepted for the Friday afternoon provision, collection is 3.15pm from the hall.

Some of our Reception children enjoying the sunshine!!!



FREE ENTRANCE TICKETS!

Playpalz have very kindly supplied Ravens with one free child entrance for every child in our school. Valid from 5th May - 18th May. Please collect your free ticket from the school office.



PLAYPALZ

PARTY & SOFT PLAY CENTRE

**OPEN 7 DAYS
A WEEK
10-6**

**FREE KIDS ENTRY
SCHOOL PROMO**

Look out for your child's **FREE
ENTRY VOUCHER** in their school bags

FREE PARKING

FUN



HAPPY HOURS

Mon-Fri
Term Time
Entry only **£2 PP**
between 10-12
0-5m FREE



FREE MEALS!

Mon-Fri
Term Time
between 12-6
for over 1's



PLAY



EAT



**CHECK OUT OUR
SOCIAL
MEDIA FOR
SPECIAL EVENTS!**

KITCHEN OPEN EVERYDAY SERVING HOT AND COLD FOOD AND A CAFE WITH A VARIETY OF SNACKS, DRINKS AND HOMEMADE CAKES. WE ALSO CATER FOR A WIDE RANGE OF ALLERGIES.

**FREE ONSITE
CAR PARK**

FREE WI-FI

**EVERY TERM-TIME MONDAY
3:30-5:45**

Calmer setting

MELLOW MONDAYZ

Quieter Sessions




BABY SENSORY

Every Term-Time
Wednesday
10-1

2x Sensory Rooms


Soft Play



**NO NEED TO
BOOK**

Please note that we operate different hours for special events, private functions and holidays

Telford Road,
Clacton-on-Sea
CO15 4LP



www.playpalz.co.uk
01255 422255



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





MAY HALF TERM FREE ACTIVITIES

Bookings for Essex Activate free sessions opens today at 12pm 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/>

LOCAL EVENTS

Clacton Police Station Open Day
Beatrice Road, Clacton on Sea
Saturday 17 May 2025 - 11am till 2pm

Logos included: Essex Police, CVST (Bringing Unity to Our Community), RSPCA, u-turn 4-SUPPORT, RNLI Lifeboats 2GO (Friends of Clacton-on-Sea), Essex & Herts Air Ambulance (Your local life-saving charity), NHS East of England Ambulance Service (NELS Trust), The Tending Community Safety Partnership, SAFERESSEX roads partnership, Essex Search & Rescue, Next Chapter, Essex Watch, Neighbourhood Watch, MAD ABOUT THEATRE COMPANY, Essex Police Cadets, and St John Ambulance.



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





‘Education is the passport to the future, and attendance is the stamp that gets you there’

This weeks winners are:

Michael Jordan - 95%



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



Safeguarding

As you may already be aware, the Netflix series Adolescence has been widely discussed over the last few weeks. The show provides a powerful, and at times difficult, look at the digital pressures young people face online and the role parents have to play in their digital wellbeing.

Free Parent Resources

To help, we've created a **resource page** you can pass on to your parent community. It's packed with practical advice, conversation starters, and useful insights to help parents navigate the various challenges the series brings to light.

From setting boundaries around screen time to processing upsetting online content, the resources are designed to give parents the tools and knowledge to take the next steps in supporting their child's digital wellbeing.

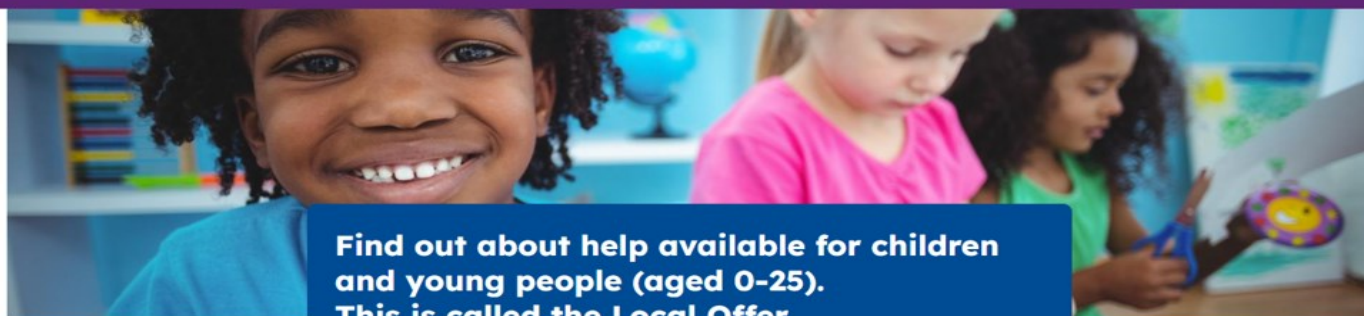
How Can Parents Access The Resources?

If you think it could be helpful for your parent community, simply share this link with them: **<https://smoothwall.com/adolescence>**

Send



Special Educational Needs
and Disabilities

[About](#)[Crisis support](#)[Contacts](#)[Find local support](#)

**Find out about help available for children
and young people (aged 0-25).
This is called the Local Offer.**

[I think my child needs help](#)

A guide about the first steps to take, who you can speak to and planning for the future

[Help with learning](#)

Find out about help available at nursery, school, or college

[Health and wellbeing](#)

Find out how to access the right health support for your needs

<https://send.essex.gov.uk/>

How to help your child:

- Remind them they are not to feel worried or pressured about SATS. All we ask is that they try their best, SATS should not be causing anxiety. Do give lots of encouragement and praise - we do!
- Help with the organising of homework and support their reading for pleasure activities.
- Encourage them to have early nights and a good breakfast- we do provide the breakfast during SATs week but some children may wish to have their regular one too.
- Please speak to any of us if you have questions or concerns.

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EMPOWER YOUR CHILD TO MANAGE THEIR EMOTIONS

Are you a parent or carer looking to better support your child's emotional well-being? Join our sessions designed to help you understand and nurture your child's emotions.

FREE Online sessions available this May:
Managing Big Emotions, Managing Anger, Self Esteem For Teens, Understanding Children's Anxiety, Understanding Teen Stress, Zones of Regulations.

Take the First Step Today by Signing Up!
Visit [aclessex.com](https://www.aclessex.com) and type 'emotions' in the search courses box

FREE

COMMUNITY & FAMILY LEARNING

ACL Essex County Council

ADHD & ASD: Join Our Support Network!

Are you a parent or carer of a child, or teen, with ADHD or ASD? Gain valuable insights and connect with others who understand your journey. Attend our informative online sessions to learn more about your child's needs and build a supportive community.

Upcoming online sessions this May:

- Understanding ADHD In Children
- Understanding ASD In Children
- Understanding ADHD & ASD In Children
- Understanding ADHD & ASD: Teen Boys

Don't miss out! Register today and be part of a supportive network.

Sign Up!
Visit our website [aclessex.com](https://www.aclessex.com) and type 'ASD or ADHD' in to the 'Find a course...' box

COMMUNITY & FAMILY LEARNING

ACL Essex County Council

Crafts & Family Fun!

Come along to our free family crafts and fun session at our Clacton centre, where you will have the opportunity to make a range of crafts and have LOTS of fun!

22/04/2025 - 15/07/2025
10 sessions, once a week
(with a three week break from 17/06/2025 - 15/07/2025)

1530 - 1730
ACL Clacton

Sign Up!
Visit our website [aclessex.com](https://www.aclessex.com) and type **Crafts Family** in to the 'Find a course...' box

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LUNCH NEWS

We have a three week menu rota

W/c - 5th May : week 3

W/c - 12th May : 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.

