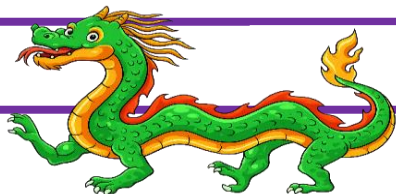


Purleigh Post

Achievement for all in a community that cares



Friday 13th February 2026

Hello Everyone,

We have reached the end of another tiring half term- the children's hard work has meant they have certainly earned a week off! This week we have marked Children's Mental Health Week by thinking about the importance of our own mental health, and what sort of activities we can do to help it.

This week has also seen us celebrate both Chinese New Year and Pancake Day by holding a special school dinner on Tuesday which combined both! There were lots of happy children after that lunch! Congratulations to Year 4 who came a very creditable 13th out of 45 schools in the recent Superstars sports event. They did a tremendous job representing the school and themselves- well done to all of you. I would like to take this chance to wish you all a very relaxing half term- it feels astonishing that we have already reached the half way point of the academic year. We look forward to seeing you back in school fully refreshed on Monday 23rd February.

Mr Stotter



Poppy D Parker P Ronin B
Liam L Lincoln A Freya P
Oscar W Rafael M-B JP D

We hope you all have a great day!

PUPILS RETURN AFTER HALF TERM ON MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH NEXT WEEK?

	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Option A	Margarita Pizza	Chicken Goujons	Baked Sausages	Pasta Bolognese	Fish Fingers
Vegetarian Option	Rainbow Pizza	Meat Free Fajitas	Quorn Sausages	Tomato Pasta Bake	Cheese and Tomato Pizza
On the Side	Pasta & Salad Bar	Rice & Broccoli	Mashed Potatoes, Peas & Gravy	Garlic Bread & Salad Bar	Chips, Sweetcorn & Peas
Dessert	Fruit Wedge	Flapjack	Toffee Apple Crumble & Custard	Chocolate Crispy Cake	Ice Cream Pot

ORDER NOW!

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 24 th February	Year 6 @ Chelmsford Museum
Tuesday 24 th February	Year 5 Swimming Begins
Thursday 26 th February	Year 1 @ Hollytrees
Wednesday 4 th March	Year 5 @ RAF Duxford
Thursday 5 th March	Learning Walk (2pm-3pm)
Friday 6 th March	World Book Day
Thursday 12 th March	Year R @ Maldon Library
Friday 13 th March	PTA Mother's Day Craft & Presents
Tuesday 17 th March	KS2 Gymnastics Competition
Wednesday 18 th March	Rockysteady Concert
Wednesday 18 th March	Year R & 3 Dental Visit
Monday 23 rd March	Parents Evening Week
Thursday 26 th March	PTA Easter Egg Decorating Competition
Friday 27 th March	Maldon Rugby Tournament
Mon 30 th Mar- Fri 10 th Apr	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 14 th April	Year 1 Dental Survey
Thursday 16 th April	Year 5 Life Roadshow
Friday 17 th April	Year 6 Life Roadshow
Tuesday 28 th April	Year 5 @ Little Braxted Hall
Wednesday 6 th May	Year 2 @ Hyde Hall
Monday 11 th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Wednesday 20 th May	Year R @ Jimmy's Farm
Thursday 21 st May	Year 2 @ Stow Maries
Tuesday 2 nd June	Year 3 @ Colchester Zoo

THE GOLDEN BOOK

Every Friday we celebrate one child in each class who has had a superb week, often focusing on our assembly theme as the reason for their selection. Congratulations to the following children who are in the Golden Book this week:

Class R- Felix S-E

Class 1- Edie C

Class 2- Alfie D

Class 3- Ella S

Class 4- Joseph D

Class 5- Elowen W

Class 6- Betsy B

Well
Done

ABSENCE FORMS

Please can we remind you that leave of absence forms should be sent in to school in advance of any planned time off school. This includes one day and half day absences for trips or events.



2026- The Year of Reading

We would like to share the exciting initiative we will be taking part in for the next 12 months. The National Literacy Trust have made 2026 the Year of Reading and we are going all in. Throughout the coming year, we will be holding special presentations, lessons, assemblies and homeworks and we would like everyone to join in the fun. Reading at Purleigh is something we have always promoted and hope our children foster a love of it as well as recognising its value. In addition to launching the event with the children, we will be starting with a celebration of stories during 2nd-8th Feb which is National Story Telling Week. As well as the continued support of regular reading at home we are inviting our parents to get involved and come and join a Learning Walk with their child on Thursday 5th March 2-3pm. This will be a reading lesson as well as a time to share some books for pleasure with your child. Also look out for our World Book Day events at the beginning of March. We hope our families all enjoy embracing books and the adventures they can unlock. Thank you for the continued support of this imperative skill and wonderful means of learning and escapism.

YEAR 6 PSHE

Year 6 have been really enjoying our PSHE sessions run by Eli from NamiMe. As well as saying a big thank you to her for all her hard work and great lesson prep, we would like to share some of our learning. We have all learnt a lot about puberty and ourselves. We have considered how we can be kind to ourselves and others and learnt all sorts of ways we can support each other. We have particularly enjoyed the interactive quizzes and acting out scenarios, which really helped our understanding. We still have 2 more sessions to look forward to, with the next one being on 2nd March.



PANCAKE FLIPPING

Today saw us hold our annual pancake flipping event. All the children did a superb job- congratulations to the following winners:

Year R - Winnie S
Year 1 - Ivy-Rose F-S
Year 2 - Cormac D
Year 3 - Ella W
Year 4 - Brayden P
Year 5 - Albie W
Year 6 - Zachery J

KS1 winner - Cormac D
KS2 winner - Ella W





VISION ZERO

NO ROAD DEATHS

HOW MANY DEATHS ON ESSEX ROADS DO YOU THINK ARE ACCEPTABLE?



WE BELIEVE THE ANSWER IS ZERO

The Safer Essex Roads Partnership (SERP) has adopted 'Vision Zero': an aspiration for there to be no deaths or serious injuries on Essex roads by 2040.

Everyone starts their journey expecting to reach their destination, but all too often, death on the road is accepted as a price we pay for having the freedom of public roads. Humans will make mistakes but should not die as a result. We need to work together to create a safe system to ensure that mistakes do not result in death or serious injury.

SERP has identified known causes of collisions and pledged to work with everyone that has an influence over these 5 elements of road safety to achieve 'Vision Zero':

- »» Safe speeds
- »» Safe vehicles
- »» Post collision response
- »» Safe road use
- »» Safe roads and roadsides

These form an approach to road safety: the 'Safe System'.

For more information and to see how you can support Vision Zero, please visit the SERP website at:

<https://saferessexroads.org/vision-zero-no-more-deaths-on-essex-roads/>





Essex Child and Family
Wellbeing Service



Mobile Community Wardrobe 2026

Pre-loved clothing for **0-16 year olds** available for local families free of charge. Pop up sessions in the Maldon District.

No booking needed - just pop along!

Upcoming sessions for 2026

Plantation Hall, Colchester Rd,
Heybridge, Maldon CM9 4AL

Friday 30th January

Friday 10th July

1.00pm-3.00pm

United Reform Church, 53
Station Road, Burnham-on-
Crouch, CM0 8HF

Thursday 19th March

Thursday 17th September

2pm-4pm

Tollesbury Masonic Hall,
38 East Street, Tollesbury,
CM9 8QE

Wednesday 13th May

Wednesday 11th November

2pm-4pm

t: 0300 247 0014

w: www.essexfamilywellbeing.co.uk

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