

The GREEN GAZETTE

7th March 2025

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to This Week's Newsletter!

As we move closer to the clock change, it's great to enjoy the longer daylight hours—spring is definitely on its way! This week has been packed with fantastic events, achievements, and opportunities for our school community.

A huge well done to the children in **Moon and Comet** for their brilliant class assemblies. It's always a pleasure to see our pupils showcasing their learning and confidence in front of an audience. If you missed them, be sure to catch up with the highlights in this issue.

There's been plenty of sporting action recently, with lots to celebrate! From fixtures to tournaments, our pupils have shown dedication, teamwork, and great sportsmanship. Head over to the **School Games** section to read all about it.

A big thank you to everyone who attended the **Writing Workshop** on Monday. We hope you found it both informative and inspiring. Special thanks to **Mrs. Farley** for leading the session and sharing her expertise—your support makes a real difference!

World Book Day was as fantastic as ever, with pupils and staff fully embracing the joy of reading. From creative costumes to exciting activities, it was a wonderful celebration of books and stories. Be sure to check out the **Curriculum** section for more details and photos.

Last Tuesday, we had the pleasure of welcoming staff from the **nine other DEEP schools** to our school for a **Subject Leader Meeting**. It was a valuable opportunity to share ideas, discuss best practices, and strengthen collaboration across our network.

Road Safety - this week a parent notified us of a 'near miss' on Tanton Rd. We know many of our older children have permission to walk home but please remind them of the best places to cross a road. A pupil was seen walking out behind a parked car who then started to reverse which nearly caused a collision. We can also follow this up in assembly. Thank-you.

Thank you all for another brilliant week. Wishing you a **fantastic weekend**—enjoy the extra daylight!

Take care, Mr Burden.

Headteacher's Award

28th February 2025



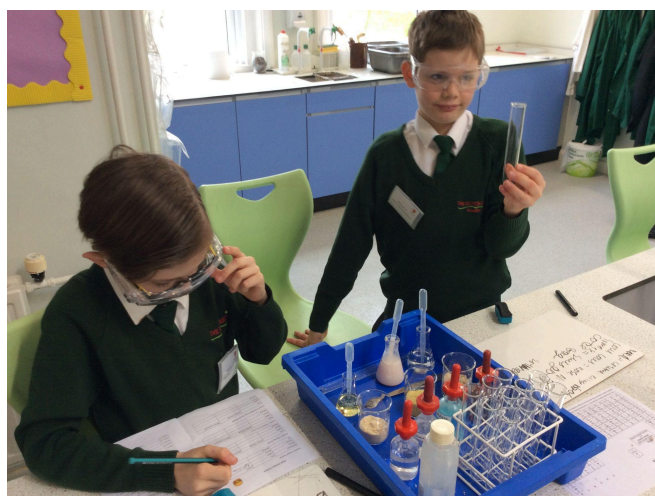
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Curriculum

It has been a busy and exciting time for teaching and learning across the school!

Science Day at Felsted was a fantastic experience, and the children thoroughly enjoyed the hands-on activities and engaging sessions. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm for science in action!



Last week, we hosted the **DEEP Subject Leaders Meeting**, where staff from across our partner schools came together to share ideas and best practices. These sessions play a key role in strengthening teaching and learning across our schools, ensuring the best outcomes for our pupils.

A huge **well done to Class Moon** for their excellent assembly on **the rainforest**—a vibrant and informative performance that highlighted the importance of conservation. Equally impressive was **Class Comet's assembly on WWII**, where the children showcased their knowledge of history with confidence and creativity.

A big **thank you** to all the children who entered the **writing competition**—your effort and creativity were fantastic! We also appreciate the parents who joined the **Writing Workshop** with Mrs. Farley on Monday; we hope you found it insightful and useful in supporting your child's learning.

Winners of Writing competition:



World Book Day was once again a brilliant celebration of reading! It was lovely to see so many fantastic outfits, from classic book characters to modern favorites. Thank you to everyone who took part in making the day so special. There was a real 'buzz' in the school and the assembly hall was full of colour!



School Games

It's been an exciting couple of weeks of sport, with our pupils showcasing great teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship across a range of competitions!

Our **Year 5/6 netball team** put in a fantastic effort, finishing **4th place** in a highly competitive tournament. Well done to all the players for their hard work and resilience on the court!



We also had a brilliant time at the **Year 3/4 girls' football tournament**, where our young players demonstrated great skill and enthusiasm. It was wonderful to see their confidence grow with each match. This culminated in them reaching the final but agonisingly losing on penalties!

In addition, some of our KS2 pupils took part in an **Archery Tournament at Felsted School**—a fantastic opportunity to develop their focus and precision. Well done to all involved!

With the weather finally **a little drier this week**, the children have been delighted to get back onto the **school field** for play and outdoor activities. Let's hope for more sunshine ahead! It remains cold, so please remember coats.

Great job, everyone—keep up the amazing sporting spirit! 🏆 ⚽ 🏹

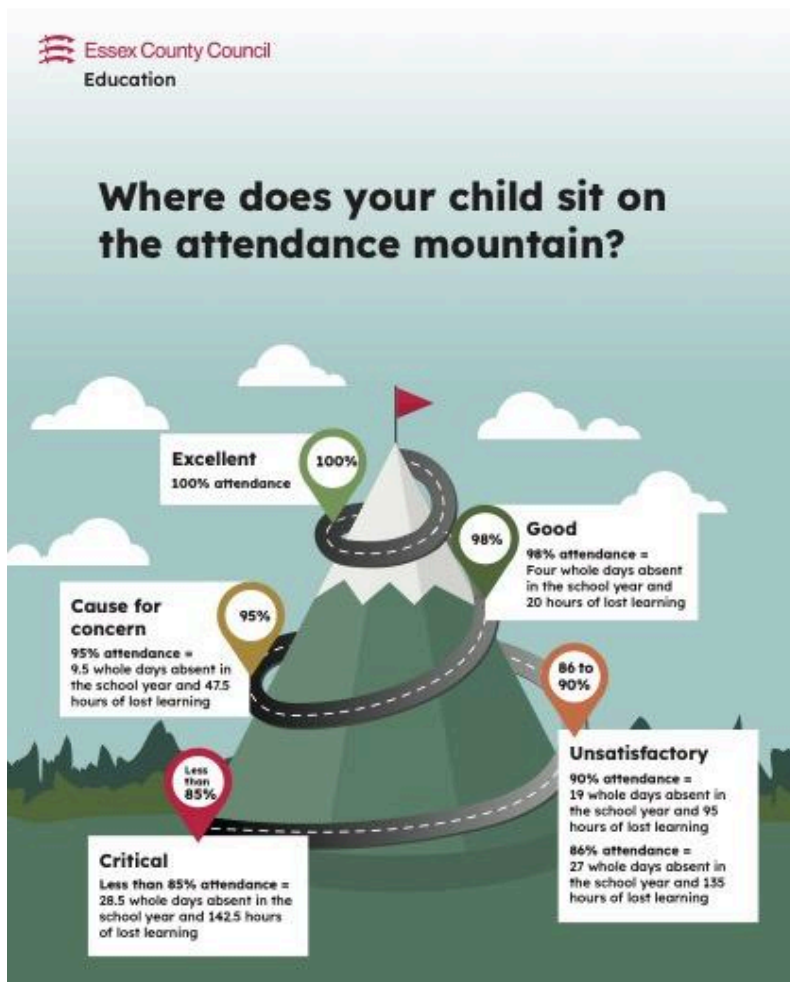
Attendance

School Attendance stands - 94.45%

For the Spring term only - 94.69%

Class winners for the last two weeks:

Week	Class	% Attendance	98% +
Week 21 24/2/25-28/2/25 (5 days)	Neptune	99.58	Neptune and Mercury
Week 22 3/3/25-7/3/25 (5 days)	Pluto	100	Pluto and Saturn



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GOOD TIMEKEEPING



What to do the night before:



Get everything you need for school ready



Set your alarm allowing plenty of time

Make your lunch and drink if you bring a packed lunch to school



Turn off devices half an hour before bedtime

Have a good night's sleep - a minimum of eight hours!



Five minutes late per day soon adds up to three days of lost school time

For mental health support for young people visit: www.youngminds.org.uk

Donations for EYFS Needed!

Early Years are on the hunt for any donations towards our educational resources. If you are having a clear out of any toys over half term, we would love the following;

- Magnetic tiles
- Mobilo
- Popoids
- Wooden arches and tunnels
- Kings, queens, princesses and castles
- Pirates, boats and sea creatures
- Bugs and minibeasts
- Superheroes
- Gardening tools and equipment
- Role Play props and decorations (celebrations- Diwali, Christmas, Birthday)
- Sensory toys
- Games and puzzles - Orchard Tree, matching, alphabet and phonics, numbers, time of the day, shapes, seasons,

These can be dropped off in the office or handed to a member of the EYFS team after half term. Thank you for your continued support, The EYFS Team

Red Nose Day 2025



School Parliament would like the school community to take part in Red Nose Day 2025 on Friday 21st March, by wearing their 'craziest outfit' to school!

More details to follow on ParentMail next week.

Important Dates

Key dates for the whole academic year can be found on the [website](#).
Please check back regularly, as these dates can be subject to change.

SPRING 2

Earth's Parents Evening - 11th & 12th March

Book Fair - 19th to 26th March

Saturn Class Assembly - 25th March (9:00)

Year 4 Residential Meeting - 26th March (15:30)

Parents Evening - 1st April (15:30 - 19:30)

Parents Evening - 2nd April (15:30 - 17:30)

FFG Cake Sale (Moon & Neptune) - 2nd April (15:15)

Finish for Easter Break - 4th April (13:00)

SUMMER 1

Pupils return to school - 22nd April

Class Photographs - 24th April

BANK HOLIDAY - 5th May

Year 4 Residential - 7th to 9th May

KS2 SATs Week - 12th to 17th May

FFG Cake Sale (Saturn & Jupiter) - 21st May (15:15)

Finish 15:15 for Half term - 23rd May

26/05/2025 - 30/05/2025 - HALF TERM

Community Notices

Please remember to check the 'Community' tab of our website regularly, as we upload community groups and events that we hope you may be interested in.

www.theflitchgreenacademy.co.uk

This week you can find information on:

Flitch United Football Club

Flitch Green Community Hall

POP Essex SEND Clubs and Respite

Rock Steady Music Lessons

Salad Days Magazine and Kizaround Magazine