Welcome to the final edition of our school newsletter for this academic year. We thank many staff and children for contributing to this newsletter.



Dear parents and carers

Welcome to our final summer newsletter! It's hard to believe that we have reached the end of another academic year and are once again saying good bye to our much-loved Year 6 pupils. It has been such a pleasure for all of us to work with them during their time at Engaines. They have all worked so hard and achieved well: they should be very proud of themselves because we are! We wish you all the very best at secondary school.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a huge 'thank you' to all the children, staff, our PTA, our Parent Forum, parents, carers and governors for an amazing team effort this year. The successes of the children are made possible by the outstanding contributions of our whole school community. Special recognition must go to all our staff who have worked tirelessly; running extra-curricular clubs, arranging trips and always going 'above and beyond the call of duty' in their daily work. In all year groups, the progress of the children has been good this year and it is testament to our whole school ethos of 'Achieving great things together' and is what makes Engaines the successful school that it is.

Finally – a fond farewell to Mrs Crabtree; we wish you all the very best for your retirement and thank you for your contribution to Engaines- you will be greatly missed. We send out a warm welcome to Miss Waltham, who will officially be joining our teaching staff in September in Year 4. I am sure you will have many happy and successful years at Engaines.

We do continue to try and work as a community concerning the on-going parking and road safety issues. In regards to this, I would like to invite you to our 4th parking meeting that we hold with our Parent Forum, neighbours and Parish Council on 12th September at 4pm. I would very much like to hear from more of our parents on how to improve the situation.

I hope you all have a lovely summer break, with lots of sunshine and we look forward to welcoming our children back on **Wednesday 5th September** and our reception children on **Monday 10th September**

Best wishes

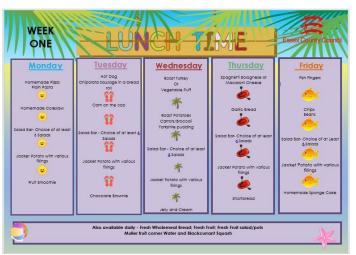
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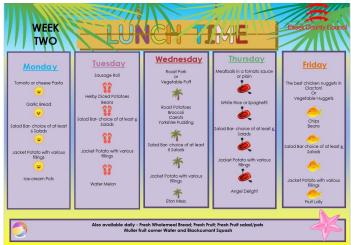


Menu Dates— when we return to school we will be on Week 2 of the menu. Thank you

Paper copies can be found in the office, or we have a copy on the website.







An update from Mrs Cole - Finance

A reminder to all to settle any outstanding balances over the summer please so that we can start a-fresh in September.

To parents whose children are going into Year 2, if you should be in receipt of Free School Meals you **MUST** apply online from the 1st August on the Essex County Council Website www.educationawards@essex.gov.uk. If you don't apply, you WILL BE charged £2.00 per school meal.

All payments for dinners/clubs/breakfast club/teatime club/resources and school trips MUST be made via School Comms. Breakfast & Tea Time club MUST be booked in advance and if they aren't, from September we will charge a £1.00 administration fee.

Please also note that after feedback from parents we have reduced the minimum payment for tea time club to £3.50, this will enable you to book and pay on the days you use the facility.

Please remember all after school sports or art clubs will now attract a £2.00 charge, late collection fee is £1.50, resources contribution is £5.00 for the term for Foundation and £5.00 for the year for all other children. You can pay via School Comms.

School Website/Jotter

From September we will have a single place for information, copy letters, the calendar, updates & news. This single point will be the website. To view the website on your mobile phone you will need to download 'school jotter' and select our school.

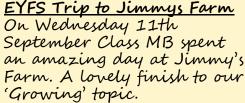
Please do this over the holidays and familiarise yourself with the site.

In 'settings' you will need to go to 'notifications' and select 'whole school' and the relevant year group for your child. This list will be updated in the new year with clubs.

You will have to select the clubs that your child attends to ensure you receive Notifications regarding the club.



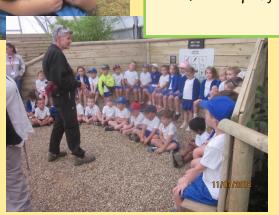




We saw lots of animals including butterflies, pigs, alpacas, reindeer, donkeys and even crocodiles!! Sadly we didn't spot Jimmy! We sat and ate our picnic in the orchard.
The children behaved

wonderfully and to finish off the day they had fun in the park and bounced on the giant pillow. The perfect end to the perfect day!







Chess Tournament at Clacton Coastal Academy

On Wednesday 11th July, Engaines attended the 10th running of the bi-annual chess tournament which was held at Clacton Coastal Academy. With two strong teams from Colchester pulling out at the last minute, it left space for us to take a third team for the first time ever. This 'C' team' was made up of players who haven't had the benefit of our coaches, John and Melvin and who haven't been to the after school chess club. They only had the sessions in class every Wednesday where the whole class have been learning to play chess together starting with the very basics of how each piece moves. It would be a real test of how well those sessions had gone if they were to even score any points at all in the tournament.

After the six rounds had been completed, Engaines A had achieved another emphatic victory with Engaines B close behind. All of the players on these teams performed well and a particular mention must go to Milo and Daniel for achieving a maximum 6 out of 6 wins and to Charlie for an impressive 5.5.

But how had our underdogs performed? Fantastically well. They came fourth, just narrowly beaten by a much improved team from Alton Park. Ethan scored an amazing 4/6, Elliot 3.5/6 Alex 3/6, Charlotte 2/6, Hong 1.5/6 Frankie 1/6. For them all to score was a great achievement and makes the future of chess at our school look very strong indeed. Well done to all involved.









Sports Days

We had such beautiful weather for all of our sports days and we hope you enjoyed it as much as the children did.
Impeccable behaviour from everyone. Well done!!!!



Some local Summer Holiday Sporting Activities for you to try.







Engaines Nursery

It has been the most amazing year in Nursery. We have had a lovely group of children go through a whole year. They have grown and become ready for their new adventure in foundation so fast. We wish them well. Our family picnic and sports day was a great success. We couldn't have done it without our supportive families.

The school fete raised enough money for Nursery to undertake a little project ,with the help of Mr Karl Pardon. A big thank you for your creativity.

Watch out in the new term for lots more exiting things going on.

Finally we would like to say farewell and thank you to Miss Aldrich who is leaving us for a new adventure.

Mrs Williams









Girls Football End of Year Review

Throughout the year our Engaines football team have played brilliantly. We have 10 players in our squad, they are:

Sennen Gregory

Sophie Everard

Joy Hughes

Peral Hughes

Lexie Clark

Lily O'Hara

Lilly Miah

Chloe Green

Olivia Harwood

Olivia Thompson

We ended the year top of the league!!

Our biggest win was 9-1 against Rolph, we beat Frinton 3-0, Walton 6-0, Kirby 4-0 & Hamford 3-0.

We came 9th at the indoor tournament in Chelmsford. We represented Tending. We didn't win but we had a great time!





Overall it has been a pretty good year!!



Boys Football End of Year Review

This season has been very successful for the Engaines Boys Football Team. All of the teeam have worked very hard in training and in matches.

We won every game but one, and we drew that match against Kirby, so not one loss.

We unfortuanely didn't make it to the final of the cup as we got knocked out in the semi-finals by Alton Fark. The funniest moment ever was at the tournament when Freddi Williams got his foot caught in the net!!!

Overall, this year has been amamzing, we have worked hard and performed well.

The team:

Luke Rowlands

Mila Locke

Freddi Williams

Lucas Traceu

Frankie Dean

Morgan Fairweather

Callum Chambers

Tyler Mosson

Archie Buxey





PTA Update

The PTA have had a spectacular fund raising year, with Fireworks night, discos and the fete, we have been able to raise over £7000.00.

Over the summer the PTA will be paying to have the computers in the ICT suite to be replaced at a cost of £7,000.00 and we are paying for an investigation into the speed of the internet, which is very, very poor quality and really affects the way the children work at a cost of £250.00.

In the coming year we will continue to raise funds for ICT, our aim is to raise enough money to buy a set of Ipads for KS1.

BUT WE NEED NEW MEMBERS.

Our next meeting will be on TUESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2018 and we would love for you to attend. It's your school, we want to hear your ideas.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

4th September 2018 - Non-pupil Day

5th September 2018 - Back to School

13th September 2018 - Alan Summers, Music Teacher to speak to KS2 parents.

17th September 2018 - Year 6 Mersea Trip

18th September 2018 - PTA Meeting

25th September 2018 - Bentley Photographic Individual School Photos

18th October 2018 - Halloween Disco

19th October 2018 - Non-pupil Day

22nd October 2018 - Half Term

29th & 30th October 2018 - Non-pupil Days

31st October 2018 - Fire Safety Assembly.

9th November 2018 - Firework Display

14th December 2018 - Xmas Disco

19th December 2018 - Panto, Beauty and the Beast.

20th December 2018 - Xmas Holidays

1st February 2018 - Quiz Night

14th February 2018 - Valentines Disco

27th March 2019 - Mothers Day Lunch

3rd April 2019 - Mothers Day Lunch

12th June 2019 - Fathers Day Lunch

19th June 2019 Fathers Day Lunch

22nd June 2018—Summer Fete

Class Attendance Autumn Term

Congratulations to Mrs Caters class who have once again retained the top slot for attendance!!!

Class	Number of pupils with 100% attendance for this term	Number of pupils with 100% attendance for the current year	Attendance for the year
Miss Blunden	14	2	94.16%
Mrs Elmer	8	3	94.40%
Mrs Nunn	5	1	95.49%
Mrs Cater	17	4	97.59%
Mr Lehain	10	1	95.90%
Ms Warnes	9	4	97.14%
Mrs Crabtree	6	2	97.01%
Mr Rossett	9	2	96.65%
Mr O'Brien	16	5	96.6%
Mrs Wainwright	5	1	95.39%

