



NEWSLETTER

25.06.2021

Attendance last week

(period 02.09.21-18.05.21)

94.2%

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(period 02.09.21-25.06.21)

96 %

Caterpillars	96%
Ladybirds	91.65%
Hedgehogs	98.1%
Badgers	97.7%

**Our school
target is 96%**

**We have 18 school days left for this
academic school year!**

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Things to Give Yourself Today and Every Day

- Give yourself a break when you need one.
- Give yourself grace if you make a mistake.
- Give yourself credit for your accomplishments.
- Give yourself permission to ask for help when you need it.
- Give yourself the same compassion you would give to others.

This week's



I wonder who you know who has shown courage?

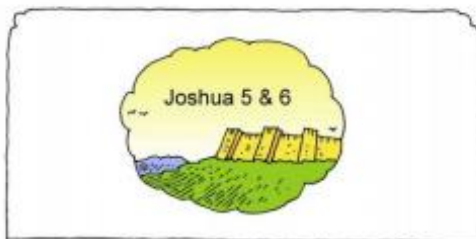
Assembly focus this week:
Joshua and the Battle of Jericho.

JOSHUA and the battle of Jericho

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By Jill Kemp

Illustrated by Richard Gunther



When Joshua and the people of Israel obeyed God He gave them a great victory. But God doesn't need mighty armies to win battles.



Joshua was wondering how God would help him capture the great walled city of Jericho. He saw a man with a sword nearby. "Are you friend or enemy?" Joshua asked.



"I am God's messenger," said the angel, "And the Commander of God's army." Joshua fell to his knees and said, "Tell me what God wants me to do?"



Joshua went and told his soldiers, "God will give us the walled city of Jericho, but we must do what He has said. And if you find a red cord in a window, save Rahab."



Inside the walled city of Jericho Rahab watched and waited. Joshua had promised to save her and her family, when she hid the spies.



She saw the people of Israel walk right around the outside of the wall, once every day, for six days.



Then on the seventh day they walked right around the wall seven times that day, with the Priest blowing trumpets.



And the very last time they all shouted the great stone wall of Jericho fell right down! The city was theirs not by a strong army fighting, but by God's power.

Important information about COVID.

Dear parents/carers, this has been a very difficult year for all of us. However, I am so impressed and encouraged with the way that the school community has been supportive of the school. I am truly grateful.

I am aware that there are many frustrations amidst the challenges we are facing, trying to get the best fit in making the right decisions, ensuring our pupils are getting the best possible opportunities we can offer and ensuring Health and Safety measures are in place.

As a school, we have to adhere to the guidance of the government, the Department for Education (DfE) and Essex County Council (ECC). And this is not always easy as at times, as it can present to be contradicting to what is presented via the media, which is not helpful.

As you are aware, government has made announcements about the roadmap 3 extension. This means that as a school community, we cannot plan or host specific events, which would normally take place. I can only profusely apologise for the upset this is causing. We have to factor in the Risk Assessments, capacity of the school, staff availability and protocols to be implemented and followed.

We are trying really hard to be as engaging as possible. Schools usually do not offer a face-to-face parent consultation in the summer term. Parents will however get an academic report at the end of term, which will indicate your child's effort, progress and effort. There will also be an opportunity to complete a reply comment slip to aid home-school liaison. **Reports will go out on Friday 16th July.**

Please be informed that **we are still facing a pandemic**. Essex has had an increase of cases this last week, which is putting schools on alert. The view from Public Health is that it remains very important to follow risk assessment, restrictions and protective measures.

We are in the process of arranging a few events for the last few weeks (please see the section on important dates). I appreciate that the arrangements might not be received well by all (especially with restrictions of number), but we are trying to provide something, rather than nothing.

The following summary from ECC:

Transition Events

- We recognise that for primary schools, it is a priority for year 6 to transition well out of primary school and to preserve this experience, as much as possible, for pupils.
- For this reason it may be determined that moving transition activity into the beginning of the Autumn term reduces the potential risk of pupils having mixed with others, needing to isolate over the end of term.
- The majority of secondary schools are running summer school programmes and so some support can be picked up here, particularly for vulnerable pupils.
- As well as remote alternatives and transition activity at the beginning of Sept.

School Leavers Events / Proms

- Indoor events are still restricted by the rule of six or two households.
- This means that proms and leavers events cannot go ahead at this time.
- The DfE guidance states that we should avoid hosting large group gatherings indoors for more than one bubble.
- Schools "may consider" an outdoor event for leavers' celebrations.
- Bubbles and groups need to be kept separate and again groups are bound by the legal gathering limit of 30.
- However, private dining events can go ahead (this is very confusing!). Please note that these are still restricted by the social contact limits and venue capacity.

Outdoor events

- Parents attending outdoor events must adhere to current social distancing requirements.
- Outdoors spectators can gather in groups of up to 30 – the maximum legal gathering limit.

PARENTS

The Information You Need!

Important dates:

Thursday 24 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class photographs being taken. Pupils to be dressed in full school uniform.
Friday 9 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pupils to meet their new class teachers (TBC).
Tuesday 13 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15:45 - Reception class new intake (2021/22) to have picnic. Following government guidelines, this will take place outside on the school playground and a maximum of 30 individuals. We can therefore unfortunately only accommodate one adult per child. Staff will be willing to look after siblings during the slot.
Friday 16 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> West Essex School Sports Partnership to deliver a sports event for pupils. We are working on inviting parents in for this event. We will update you next week on the arrangement thereof.
Monday 19 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14:30 - Reception class picnic. Following government guidelines, this will take place outside on the school playground and a maximum of 30 individuals. We can therefore unfortunately only accommodate one adult per child.
Tuesday 20 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13:30 – Year 6 to have Collective Worship led by Rev. Brazier-Gibbs at St Nicholas Church, to celebrate their time at Dr Walker’s. Whole school Panto day! We will be looking at a pantomime virtually of Robin Hood.
Wednesday 21 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pupils come into school wearing school uniform. All classes to have a picnic outside on the playground (weather permitting) in their bubbles. School closes at 14:00.

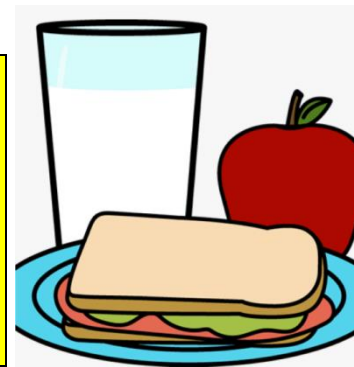
Arrangements for year 6 leavers (please liaise with Mrs Debrah-Nkansah)

- Year 6 pupils to have shirts and autograph books signed (week of 12 July). Social distancing to be adhered to.
- Mobile phones are not allowed in school on the last day due to e-safety and safeguarding protocol.

Please complete our school dinner survey:

Please help us to improve on our school dinners, by completing the survey by Friday, 2nd July.

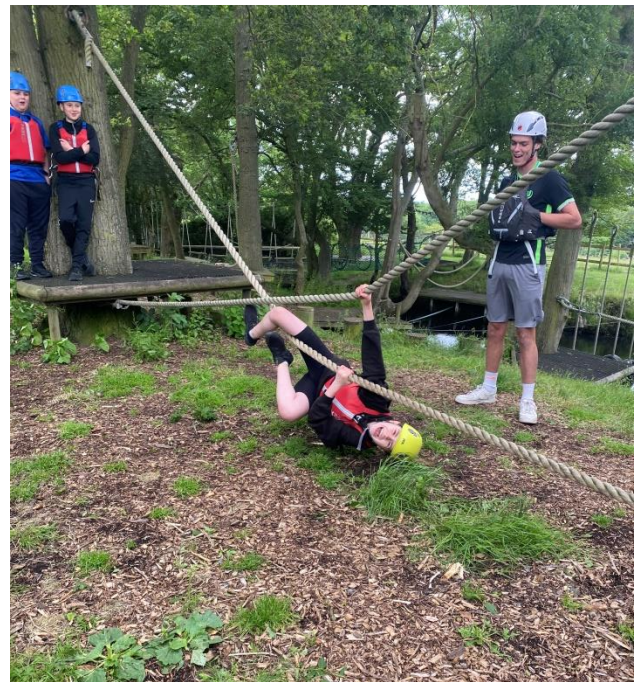
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What happened in school this week?

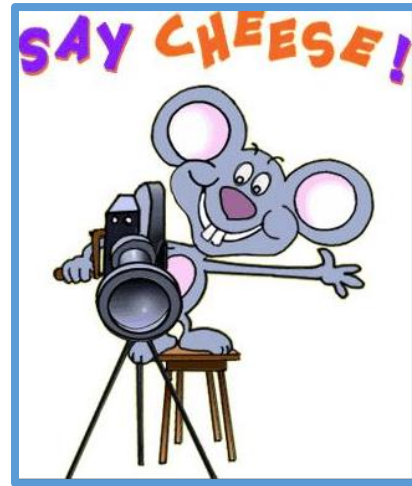
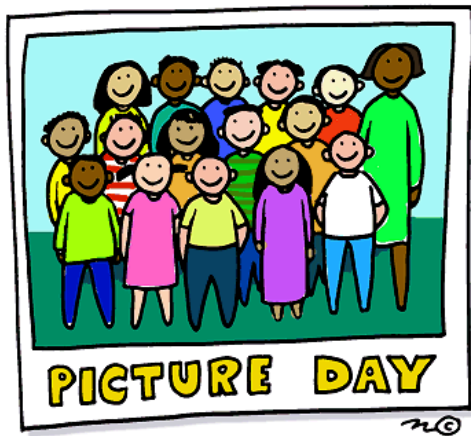
Year 6 Leavers activity at Lambourne End

Year six pupils had a fabulous activities day at Lambourne End on Tuesday, 22nd June.



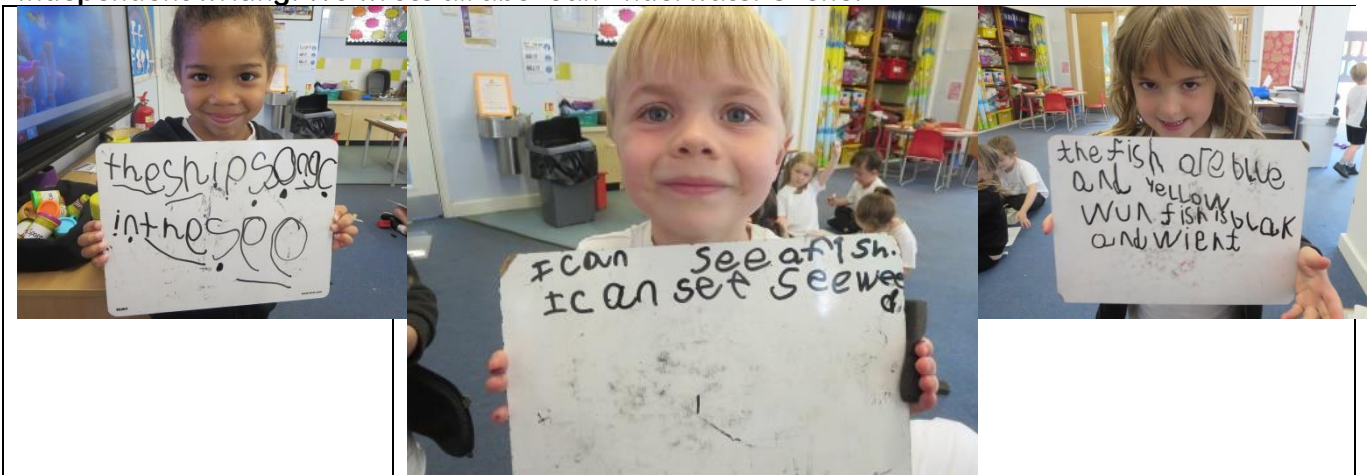


Class photographs were taken

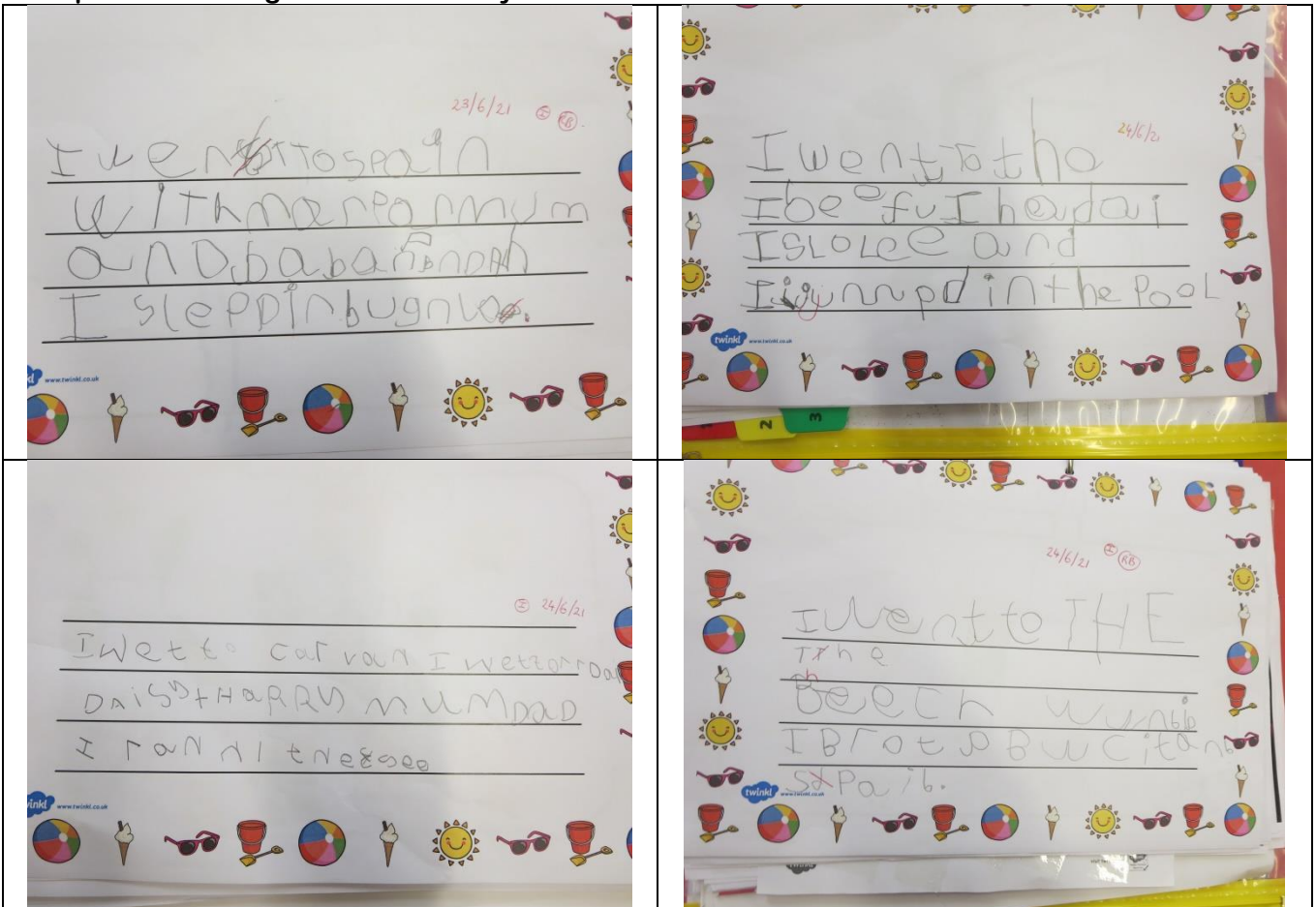


Reception class

Independent writing: We wrote all about an underwater scene.



Independent writing about the holiday.



School menu

		MENU ONE				
		Weeks commencing: 10.05.21 / 24.05.21 / 14.06.21 / 28.06.21 / 12.07.21				
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
						
Country	Italy	India	United Kingdom	Spain	United Kingdom	
Mains Option	 Beef Bolognese	 Chicken Korma Curry	 All day breakfast (pork sausage and bacon)	 Spanish omelette	 Omega 3 Fish fingers	
Vegetarian Option	 Pasta Naepolitan	 Quorn Korma Curry	 Veggie sausage breakfast	 Vegetable and cheese quesadillas	 Jacket Potato or Sweet Potato (with choice of fillings)	
On the side	Garlic Bread Mixed salad	Rice Sweetcorn Mixed salad	Scrambled eggs Hash browns Baked beans	Herby diced potatoes Broccoli Mixed salad	Sweet potato wedges Baked beans or peas Coleslaw Mixed salad	
Desert	 Brownie and ice-cream	 Shortbread biscuit	 100% Fruit lolly	 Fruit Jelly	 Lemon drizzle cake	
Also available	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	Bread Fresh fruit Yoghurt	
Drinks	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	Fresh Milk Water	

[Epping Forest District Council Summer Activities 2021 brochure is here!](#)



Please find below a link to Epping Forest District Council's Summer Leisure Brochure, with details of all the holiday programme of activities for children, young people and families.

www.eppingforestdc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/summer-activities-2021-brochure.pdf

If you can share this link with your families, we will be very grateful.

[Department for Education COVID-19 helpline](#)

The Department for Education COVID-19 helpline and the PHE Advice Service (option 1) is available to answer any questions you have about COVID-19 relating to education settings and children's social care.

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Opening hours:

Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm

Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 6pm

Bank holiday opening hours:

Monday 31 May from 10am to 4pm

Kind regards,

