

6th March 2026



An Amazing Book Week!

What a fantastic week it has been in school! Our book week has brought a lot of excitement and joy to both children and staff! Throughout the week, everyone has been involved in a variety of engaging activities, from decorating a cardboard tube as a character to participating in the 'Guess the Book' competition. The highlight, without a doubt, was our Dressing Up Day! We were thrilled to have a surprise visit from Batman himself (a big thank you to Mr Bannister!). It was lovely to see so many different characters walk through the school gate yesterday morning! In addition to these fun moments, the children have enjoyed story swaps and, today, classes visited one another to share their book week learning, inspired by their class books. We cannot forget the much loved door decorating competition too! A special thank you to all of the staff who have contributed to this special week, particularly Mrs Sapiano who organised the events and arranged for an author visit. Winners for the competitions will be announced on Monday - watch this space!

Please continue to support us by taking part in our sponsored read this week. The funds raised are vital as they replace and purchase decodable reading books to support your child's learning.

Thank you for your ongoing support in nurturing a love of reading in our school community.



Decorate a door competition!

The children (and grown ups) have again been very creative this year! It is always a popular competition in school! Mrs Black from St. Andrew's Junior School had the difficult task of judging the doors! Every class focused on a different story:

Duckling: It's Only One

Butterfly: Elmer

Ladybird: Oliver's Vegetables

Hedgehog: The Smeds and the Smoos

Squirrel: The Smartest Giant in Town

Fox: The Tiny Seed

Badger: The Seed who was afraid to be planted

The winner will be announced on Monday's assembly with the children. Please see attached page to our newsletter for photos!



Stars of the week

Duckling Class: Autumn

Butterfly Class: Theodore

Ladybird Class: Jaxon

Hedgehog Class: Evie

Squirrel Class: Grace

Fox Class: Stanley

Badger Class: Louis

ERIC tokens



This week's winners are the **ORANGE** team with 213 ERIC tokens. Fantastic job!



Dates for your diary

10th March - Squirrel Class Assembly

13th March - Year One Chelmsford Museum Trip

17th and 19th March - Reception Spring Concert 2.40pm

23rd March - Reception Boydell's Farm Visit

24th March - Parent's morning 9.00am - 9.45am

26th March - Easter Eggstravaganza (more details to follow) 2.40pm

27th March - **End of term (School closes at 1pm)**

Nursery Open Morning

A reminder that we are holding a Nursery Open Morning on **Saturday 14th March**. If you have a child who is 2 or older and would be interested in joining our school nursery, please come along to see what we can offer! We look forward to seeing you.



Attendance



Attendance this week: 97%

Amazing result this week! Wow!

Attendance year to date: 95.5%

(Our target is 96%)

Reception: 97.6%

Year One: 96.1%

Year Two: 97.5%

Attendance trophy: Butterfly Class with **99.6%** attendance - **Fantastic job!**

