

## Dunmow St Mary's Primary School

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Dear Parents

### Name Change

I have some news to share with you - I will be remarrying in the summer holidays. Don't get excited when you see a different name on the letters - it's still me!

From September I will be Clare Charter and I am sure that the person who will find it the hardest to adapt to the change will be me. The children will be told before the end of term.

### Extreme Weather

We know that there is an extreme weather warning in place for Monday and Tuesday. We continue to liaise with Essex Education Authority and are awaiting further advice. We will continue to follow advice and at the moment are not anticipating closures but please watch out for any emails over the weekend in case the situation changes.

We will not be letting children out in the midday sun and the children will not be doing outside PE lessons except for swimming. Please remember to send your children in as light uniform clothing as possible and with water and sunscreen if you wish them to reapply this.

### Menu change

Due to the extreme weather conditions we have made a menu change for Monday. This will now be a picnic day. As you can imagine our kitchens become very hot with ovens on for extended periods of time.

### Learner of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who are our Learners of the Week:

|        |                 |        |                     |
|--------|-----------------|--------|---------------------|
| 6BI    | Amelia Richards | 3SC    | Darcey Maura Cooper |
| 6BH    | Adam Baines     | 2CC    | Cody Taylor         |
| 5NR    | Rose Casey      | 2SJ    | Hudson Kearney      |
| 5SM    | Ella Scarbrow   | 2TH    | Parker Lindley      |
| 4LH/HT | Jayden Fisher   | 1EW    | Zach Matthew-Ekuku  |
| 4LW    | Izzy Webb       | 1RF/GM | Harrison Boddy      |
| 3RB    | Jaxon Bullett   | 1BR    | Joshua Sheldon      |

### **Dunmow Carnival Art Competition**

The school recently entered a number of pieces of artwork into this competition and I am delighted to say that two children have been selected to receive a prize from the Carnival Committee. Congratulations Bethany V from 5SM and Eleanor from 4LH/HT, your artwork will be featured in the carnival programme.

### **We need your help!**

Over the summer we are having our Early Years outdoor area revamped. The PTA has organised for some works to be carried out on 30th July but we still need more helpers. The jobs range from loading up and moving wheelbarrows, breaking up concrete to cooking burgers for all the volunteers here. We would be really grateful if you could spare an hour or two or even more. Please contact the PTA ([dunmowstmarysprimarypta@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:dunmowstmarysprimarypta@hotmail.co.uk)) or Mrs Beard at school if you are able to help.

### **Swimming**

Miss Wood, our swimming instructor, has selected Zach from 1EW for always being determined and giving it a go, Molly from RNC for looking after her fellow swimmers whilst also making great progress and Y6 Water Skills Group 2 for their behaviour and fantastic retention, understanding and putting into practice everything they have learned in their lessons. Congratulations to you all.

Next week's sessions are as follows:

Monday - 1RF/GM, 1BR, 1EW

Tuesday - 1RF/GM, 1EW

### **Events**

Please find below the event calendar for next week:

| <b>Week commencing Monday 18 July</b> |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| MONDAY<br>9.45                        | Y6 Leavers' Service at St Mary's Church<br>Y6 children and parents only |
| MONDAY                                | 1RF/GM, 1BR and 1EW swimming  |
| TUESDAY                               | Y6 Sports Day   |
| TUESDAY                               | 1RF/GM and 1EW swimming   |
| WEDNESDAY<br>9.15<br>6.30             | Y6 Leavers' Show  |
| THURSDAY                              | Last day of term - finish at 3.15                                       |

### **Date for your diary**

Thursday 15th September - Bouncy Fun after school

**Worrying about Money**

Uttlesford Foodbank has been working in collaboration with Uttlesford District Council and other local partners to develop a leaflet entitled 'Worrying About Money'. The aim of this leaflet is to sign-post local and national routes to help and a copy of this is attached.

**Teddy Bear's Picnic**

Please note that the Mayoral event, the Teddy Bear's Picnic, this Saturday at the Recreation Ground, has been cancelled due to the severe weather warning.

Yours sincerely

Clare Griffiths