

## Dunmow St Mary's Primary School

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Dear Parents

### Learner of the week

Congratulations to the following children who are our learners of the week:

6BH	Zach Gill	3SC	Alicia Lungo
6NR	Harry Lynch-McKibbin	3BI	Zoe Keylock
5LH/HT	Sam Suett	2BR	Harry Baldwin
5LC	Eva Rounce	2SJ	Ayla Ayton
4LW	William Edwards	2CC	Alice Cole
4AM	Ronnie Roper	1RF/GM	Leo Trott
3RB	Lucy King	1EW	Midori Jinno

### National Poetry Day

We were really disappointed yesterday that we had to postpone our visit by Valerie Bloom. We are hoping to have a rescheduled date for the visit and book sale very soon and will let you know as soon as possible when this is likely to take place.

### Forest School - help needed

Forest school is an opportunity for children to develop a relationship with the natural world through play and other learner-centred activities. It helps to develop confidence, resilience, independence and creativity. Forest School also provides opportunities for children to take supported risks which can then help with self-esteem and independence. In order to make the sessions as successful as possible adults play an important role through helping to encourage and build resilience in children, firing imagination and creativity and keeping children safe whilst undertaking the activities in our forest area.

We therefore require volunteers to help Ms Bartlett, our Forest School Leader. If you, friends or family are interested in helping out in the afternoons please contact the school office in the first instance.

### Admission arrangements 2024/25

Every few years we must consult our stakeholders on our Admissions Policy. We are therefore entering a phase where we must consult our parents. Comments on the attached policy should be addressed to the school office at [admin@dsmprimary.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@dsmprimary.essex.sch.uk) by no later than 18th November 2022.

## Discos

### Years 3-6

Children are invited to attend the KS2 disco on Wednesday 19th October from 5.30pm until 7pm. Entry will be via the front gate at a cost of £3. Drinks, crisps and cookies will be on sale for 50p each during the evening. Please note this event is cash only. At the end of the evening you will be able to collect your child from the dinner hall.

### Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Children are invited to attend the KS1 disco on Thursday 20th October from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. They are able to bring a change of clothes in a named bag that morning and will change in their classroom before the disco. Tickets are £3 in advance via your child's online account at [www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com) or the Scopay app. This includes a snack and drink. Collection will be outside your child's classroom door at 4.30pm. Please note the back gate will not be open.

## Lost Property



Mountain Warehouse size 11-12



F&F size 6-7



Next age 6

Do you recognise any of these coats/jackets? These are among the huge pile of unnamed clothing we have. Please note that at the end of this half term all the unnamed clothing will be either sent to a family in need or recycled so please check the lost property pile. All named items are returned to the class so it really is worth naming your child's clothing.

## Events

Please find below the event calendar for next week:

Week commencing Monday 10 October	
MONDAY 9.45	Harvest Festival at St Mary's Church (Y3-Y6) Parents welcome to attend.
MONDAY	Flu immunisation
TUESDAY 3.30	Y1 parent reading meeting - parents to collect their child as normal and wait outside. Children will be watching a film in a separate room.
TUESDAY 5.00	Y6 School Journey parent meeting

<b>Week commencing Monday 10 October</b>	
WEDNESDAY 10.40	5LH/HT Class Assembly - parents to arrive at front gate for 10.35
WEDNESDAY 2.55	2CC Class Assembly - parents to arrive at front gate for 2.50

Yours sincerely  
Clare Charter