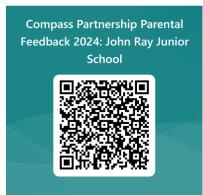




Parent / Carer survey 2024

If you attended learning conferences last week, you would have been asked to complete our parent survey. If you have not yet completed a survey please provide feedback by scanning the QR code below. We have received 69 responses so far.



SATS and Mersea meeting for Y6

We will holding a meeting for all Y6 parents on **Monday 22nd April at 5pm** to provide information for parents on the upcoming SATs and also the residential at Mersea. Please wait at the front of the school to enter by the white hall doors. As well as receiving information, there will be an opportunity for parents to ask questions. A copy of the information will be sent home to all Y6 parents following the meeting.

The meeting planned for the 20th May has been cancelled. **SMASH Holiday club at St Michael's Church** SMASH holiday club is fast approaching!!

This year it is again happening during the Easter holidays (Tuesday 2nd April – Thursday 4th April) and it is suitable for children of primary school age. As usual there will be lots of fun including Bible stories, games, craft and much more.

To book... click on the link below and you will be taken to the sign-up form.

Book here

PTA Easter events

Please see below for details of our Great Easter Bake Off and our Easter Fun Event taking place on Wednesday 27th March! Please join in and bake up a treat to be sold at the event. This year's event will take place in both the infant and junior schools and we will be accepting entries for the infant bake off and the junior bake off the day before. There will be a winner in each bake off and each winner will receive a fab Easter hamper!

Please, collect your allergy forms and drop off all entries outside the infant school to the PTA trolleys at drop off or pick up on Tuesday 26th March. Please remember both schools are nut free and allergy forms must be filled in for every entry. Donations of shop bought items for the sale will also be accepted.

We are, as always, in need of volunteers to help at this event so please, if you can spare even half an hour, then please get in touch. We often run on bare bones with volunteers, relying on help from the school staff. We also have come very close to cancelling events in the past, so we do need volunteers to continue to provide the fun events that everyone loves.

Please email <u>pta.secretary.friendsofjohnray@gmail.com</u> if you can help, or want any more info.



Play Equipment

The installation of the play equipment is almost complete and we are now waiting for the ground to recover so the children can make use of it when the weather improves. We are incredibly grateful to the PTA who funded the vast majority of this project. Without their hard work and the support from parents this would not have been possible.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Don't forget we would love to hear about any children who have been awarded badges or certificates for activities they do outside of school. Please email class teachers with your child's achievements.

Well done to:

grade.

football, he was incredible!



Harrison MT in 3B has moved up a swimming

Well done to:

Harry in 6R who was 1st in a go karting race. Malachi in 6R and Xavier in 6E who won their tennis doubles match and Xavier also won a single match Rex – 3B, Jake –5G, Albie 4TR, Ayan 5B, Theo 4O were all players of the match in football.

Riley in 3U saved three goals and was made man of the match due to his performance in football. Considering goal keeper is not Riley's position in

Quinn, Ruby, Sophie, Aljica all in 4W and Amelia in 4O first aid brownie badge.

Lexi in 40 has been awarded dance medal.

Dominic in 4TR has been given the Captain's arm band

Tyler 5G, Jasper 5B, Ayan 5B, Jenson 4TR, Joe 4Tr, Freddie 4TR are all through to the football finals after winning their match.	

Stars of the Week

Each week, class teachers will choose a member of their class to be star of the week. Children who are chosen will have their name added in this section of the newsletter.

3A: Kara	4CB: Jaxson	5A: Earah	6B: Charlie
3B: The whole class	40: Melody	5B: Rosie	6E: Lucas
3P: Jack	4W: Harrison	5C: Stephanie	6R: Matilde
3U: -	4TR: Spencer	5G: Annabelle	

PE Days

Children need to come into school on PE days in their PE kit. Children will need an outdoor PE kit i.e., black tracksuit bottoms (or shorts in warmer weather), white T-shirt and a black fleece / tracksuit top.

3A, 3P	Tuesday and Thursday	
3B	Monday and Tuesday	
3U	Tuesday and Friday	
40, 4W	Monday and Wednesday	
4WM	Wednesday and Friday	
4CB	Tuesday and Wednesday	
5A and 5C	Tuesday and Thursday	
5B and 5G	Tuesday and Wednesday	
6B	Wednesday and Friday	
6E	Monday and Wednesday	
6R	Tuesday and Wednesday	

Please remember that children must remove earrings to participate in PE lessons. Taping over earrings is not permitted.

PE kit is black joggers / shorts and a black hoodie or sweatshirt with a white T shirt along with trainers. We expect that children will either wear one of the black John Ray logo hoodies from our supplier or a plain black hoodie/sweatshirt and plain black joggers on the two days a week that your child has PE.

CASHBACK WHEN SHOPPING ONLINE

The Friends of JRI and JRJ have created a cash back account through Easy Fundraising. This is a fantastic way to raise much needed extra funds to support both schools.

The link below can be used for you to register:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/47ha4n/

Once registered, for ease, you can download the app. Every time you shop from the app, across over 4000 online retailers, our schools earn cash back. It's free to join and includes top names like EBay, Argos, Iceland and John Lewis. You can share this link with friends and family members too. A letter with more information can be found on our website.

Safeguarding

Are you worried about a child?

As a school, we consider safeguarding to be a priority. We welcome parents and carers talking openly to us about their concerns for the safeguarding of children and families. Remember,

safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you have any concerns about a child, you can contact one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads via the school office. Please ask to speak to Karen Harrison, Rachel Cottee or Meriel Keegan and specify that you have a safeguarding concern.
If you are worried about a child or young person, you can call the NSPCC helpline for support and advice for free on <u>0808 800 5000</u>. If a child is in immediate danger, you should call 999. Children can call <u>Childline</u> at any time on <u>0800 1111</u>



National Online Safety: Instagram

Instagram is one of the most popular social media platforms in the world, with over 1 billion users worldwide. The platform allows users to upload images and videos to their feed, create interactive 'stories', share live videos, exchange private messages or search, explore and follow other accounts they like – whilst at the same time continuously updating and adding new features to meet the needs of its users.

The guide can be found at the bottom of the newsletter and also on the National Online safety website under guides.

www.nationalonlinesafety.com

CLASS TEACHERS' EMAIL ADDRESSES

We understand that for many people email is a quick and efficient way of communicating and we are therefore happy to provide class teachers' email addresses. Although email is a quick and easy way for parents to communicate with staff, matters that require urgent attention should be communicated via the school office. Staff are not expected to respond to emails after 5pm, during weekends/holidays or when off work due to sickness. <u>A parental agreement relating to email communication with teachers</u> is available from the school office or on our website under the communication tab.

Year 3 Year 4		
3A- cwaspe1@compassps.uk	4W- zwatson@compassps.uk	
3B- bball@compassps.uk 3P- sphillips@compassps.uk	4CB - hcollier-brown@compassps.uk	
	40 – kbrighton@compassps.uk, kbreen@compassps.	
3U- ktoomey-underhill@compassps.uk	4TR - tbeeson@compassps.uk, rcottee@compassps.u	
Year 5	Year 6	
5B- hbreeze@compassps.uk	6B- jbird@compassps.uk	
5C - dcasey@compassps.uk	6E-cellis@compassps.uk	
5G- ngibson@compassps.uk	6R – rroberts@compassps.uk	

5A- abear@compassps.uk

Please contact class teachers in the first instance to resolve any issues. Should you feel you need to escalate the issue, please contact:

Miss Cottee (Assistant Head) if your child is in Y5 or Y6 – <u>rcottee@compassps.uk</u> Mrs Breen (Assistant Head) if your child is in Y3 or Y4 – <u>kbreen@compassps.uk</u>

<u>RECENT LETTERS</u> – ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE

All communication will be sent through Bromcom. Please ensure that you have given us a current email address. Issues with Bromcom communication should be emailed <u>to jrcontact@compassps.uk</u> 19.01.24 - Measles advice (All)

22.01.24 - Wraparound Care Survey (All)

06.02.24 - KEGS open days (Y5 Boys)

01.03.24- Secondary school allocations (Y6 only)

Dates for the academic year 2023-2024 (new dates added in red)

Please find below the list of dates for next academic year. Term dates 2023-4 are on our website.

Spring Term	Summer Term
	15.04.24 Start of term for children
27.03.24 PTA cake sale in the hall (JRI will also be	2.04.24 SATs and Mersea meeting (Y6 only)
selling cakes after school in their hall)	22.04.24 After school clubs start

28.03.24 Y5 and Y6 to walk to St Michael's church for Easter service. (This is a pupil and staff only service & will take place during the school day- children should come to school in trainers / suitable shoes for walking) 28.03.24 Last day of term	23.04.24 Year 6 maths workshop for parents 3.30pm 25.04.24 & 30.04.24 One Plan meetings for children on SEN register 25.04.24 West Stow trip for Y4 (approx cost £20.50) 29.04.24 - 8.45am - 9.30am - Pastoral Support Morning
	13.05.24 SATS week (Y6 only) 20.05.24 Year 6 Mersea residential meeting 5pm CANCELLED 21.05.24 Year 3 plants workshop for parents 3.30pm 23.05.24 Sports day and parent picnic (parents invited from 11:45) 27.05.24 Half term
	03.06.24 Non-pupil day 03.06.24 <u>Multiplication check</u> starts for 3 weeks (Y4 only) 04.06.24 Children return to school 06.06.24 Reserve Sports day in case of poor weather 12.06.24-14.06.24 Mersea residential (Y6 only) 17.6.24 5G and 5B Science workshop for parents 3.30pm 17.06.23 Y4 history workshop from 3:30pm 18.6.24 5A and 5C Science workshop for parents 3.30pm 21.06.24 School fete after school 27.06.24 Class photos (children who have PE on this day should come into school in school uniform and bring PE kits in a separate bag)
	01.07.24 - 8.45-9.30am: Pastoral Support Morning 01.07.24 Last week for clubs 10.07.24 Annual reports sent out 11.07.24 Children to spend time with their new teacher 11.07.24 Open afternoon drop in for current parents from 2:30 – 4pm 16.07.24 Y6 production to parents 1:30 and 4:30pm 23.07.24 Last day of term







Welcome to our Easter Sports Camp Schedule! Each day you can expect a number of different themed sports, games & activities, as well as even more Easter themed activites!

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To book:

Visit www.superstarsport.co.uk, click "Book Now" *There is a 4.5% platform fee on every booking"



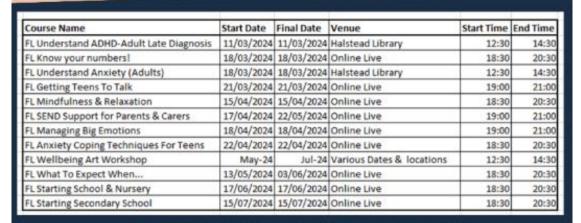


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Search 'Family Learning' at aclessex.com



Essex County Council





My son really enjoyed the Holiday Course, would recommend to other parents with kids that love playing football. Affordable childcare. Thanks again for making my son feel welcome!

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DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE THE WINNER OF THE SALAH OR HAALAND CHALLENGE?



IF YOU ARE A BOY OR GIRL BETWEEN THE AGES OF 5-12 AND LOVE FOOTBALL, THIS IS THE CAMP FOR YOU.

Our camps are jam packed with competitions, challenges, matches, tournaments, games, fun activities as well as lots of high level technical coaching.

VENUE	DATES	TIME	AGE	PRICE
BRAINTREE LEISURE CENTRE BRAINTREE, CM7 1FF	Tue 9th - Fri 12th April '24	10am-3pm	5 -13	£25.00 (1 day)
KELVEDON ACADEMY KELVEDON, CO5 9DS	Mon 8th - Thurs 11th April '24			£80.00 (Full Camp)

Each child, at the end of the camp will receive a developmental certificate to merit their achievements and encourage further participation. We will also be giving out prizes, medals, trophies and trials.

COME AND JOIN US FOR FOUR DAYS OF FOOTBALL FUN IN A SAFE, RELAXED AND DEVELOPMENTAL ENVIRONMENT.

To book a place, simply go to <u>https://fitc-academy.class4kids.co.uk</u> and click on the camps section. Make sure you book your place early as the camp will have limited spaces available to ensure that the children all get fair and adequate attention.

ARE YOU THE NEXT JUDE BELLINGHAM OR PHIL FODEN?

FITC EASTER CAMP 2024



TOURNAMENTS AND AWARDS

We will run a round robin style "Champions League" tournament at every day of the camp. Every day we will give out "Player of the Day" and "Goal of the day" awards.

The tournaments will include SEMI FINALS and a FINAL which will be based on the league table that the players and teams have been working hard towards all camp.

A presentation will take place on the last day of camp at 2.30pm and will either be inside or on the pitch (weather dependant). This is where we will crown the champions, set up parent competitions, give out our developmental certificates and award medals, trophies and prizes.

FUN GAMES

- King of the Ring
- Gladiators
- Bull Dog
- Coconut Shy
- Champions League Shooting .
- Football Tennis
- **Power Shooting**
- Football Bowling
- "Nutmeg" Game
- Headers and Volleys



TECHNICAL COACHING TOPICS

- **Ball Manipulation**
- Dribbling & Turning
- Passing
- Tricks & Skills
- Running with the ball

- 1v1's
- Attacking/Defending
- Speed & Acceleration



COMPETITIONS

- **Player Challenges**
- **Cross Bar Challenge**
- Penalty Competitions
- "KEEPY UPPY" Champion
- **Top Bins Challenge**
- Footgolf
- Skill School
- Football Quiz
- Opportunities for FITC
- Academy trials



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Goalkeeping









Wy daughter has been going to M.R.F.A. for a few years now and she really enjoys it. The coaching is excellent with friendly and professional coaches and the sessions are always very well organised.

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