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Dear Families,

It is hard to believe we are already approaching the final week of this half-term. The days have moved quickly, and the week ahead promises to be just as full. We are delighted to have been invited to take part in an online art workshop celebrating the achievements of civil engineer Peter Bruff, whose work includes the Chappel Viaduct and the construction of both Clacton and Walton Piers. This session will help children explore the value of engineering, spark interest in STEAM learning and strengthen their connection to our region’s engineering heritage.

Next week is also Internet Safety Week. Although online safety is embedded within our PSHE and Computing curricula, we will place particular emphasis on this Wednesday, with class-based activities designed to deepen pupils’ understanding of how to stay safe online.

Our first school council meeting of the term took place last week, and pupils were enthusiastic in sharing ideas. The trim trail and outdoor spaces are high on the council’s agenda, which gives us a lovely opportunity to thank the Friends of Fordham for their recent quiz night fundraiser. Their support continues to make a real difference to our school community.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Carla Dale

Governor Visit

We welcomed one of our new Governors, Mrs Aldis, to school last week. Many of you will already know her as part of our parent community, and we are delighted she has now joined the Governing Body. In her new role, she will be overseeing SEND, and it was a pleasure to share more about our inclusive practice and the work taking place across the school.

School governors play a vital part in shaping the direction of the school. They work closely with leaders to ensure we provide the best possible education, hold the school to high standards, and support long-term planning. Governors also act as a critical friend, offering challenge, asking questions, and helping us reflect on how well we are meeting the needs of every child. Their involvement strengthens decision-making and ensures the school remains rooted in the needs of its community.

Mrs Aldis’s experience and commitment will be invaluable as we continue to develop our SEND provision and ensure every pupil feels supported, included and able to thrive.

Term Dates

Spring

Tuesday 6th January —Friday 27th March

Half Term 16th-20th February

INSET Day—23rd February

DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY

11th—Internet Safety Day

Art Project

26th—Y5 STEAM experience at Colchester Prep and High School (details coming soon)

MARCH

2nd Y6—Resilience Workshop

5th—World Book Day (details coming soon)

20th—Reports sent to parents

W/B 23rd -Parents’ Evening



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Friends of Fordham Quiz

Thank you to everyone who helped, participated and supported the quiz on Saturday night. A great time was had by all and we have already received requests to hold another. So watch this space!

We raised £245 which will go straight to the Trim Trail fund.

Well done to Mrs Coutts and her winning team!

Thanks, FoF



School Uniform

As we reach the end of term, I would like to take the opportunity to revisit the uniform expectations that I have for all children here at Fordham.

Uniform is an important part of a school's identity. It reinforces who we are as a community and helps allow children to feel pride in their school. It also helps prepare students for life after primary school where the same high standards of uniform are expected at secondary school.

Please see the uniform list attached to this email.



**** WANTED – CAKES PLEASE FOR FUNDRAISING BAKE SALE ****



BAKE SALE

Please pop THURSDAY 12th FEBRUARY into your diaries! Mrs Styant, with the kind support of Friends of Fordham, is holding an **after-school** fundraising cake sale to raise money to revitalise the Oak Class outside learning area: to create a Maths and Literacy shed that the children can access themselves and to, hopefully, additionally purchase a new water table.

Please, if you are able to, can you send in cakes on the morning of that Thursday and, if you love to eat cakes, please do come along and buy some!!

This will be cash only.

I will look to ensure that there are some dairy-free and gluten-free options available and any leftovers will be sold during Friday break-time.

Thank you so much for your support,
Mrs Styant and the Oak Class children

Signing In and Out

Starting on Monday 9th February, parents/carers will be required to sign their child in and out when either arriving late OR attending an appointment.

Please be mindful that if your Y6 child is entering the school themselves they will need to sign themselves in stating the reason why they are late.

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Community Connect

FREE autism & ADHD support

For children, young people (0–25), and families in Colchester and Tendring

Our **FREE** service supports children, young people, and families across North East Essex — no diagnosis needed. Whether you're a young person or a parent/carer, we're here to help by phone, email, or face to face.

We can help with:

- DLA & PIP forms
- School or life transitions
- Guidance for young people looking for work
- Accessing support in education
- Challenging behaviours
- Applying for an Autism Alert Card

We're here to help

For full details please scan the QR code to visit our website: autism-anglia.org.uk/our-services/community-connect



Working with the Integrated Care Board (ICB) to improve the quality of life and social integration of children and young people with neurodevelopmental disorders.

Community Connect

How you can get support

Support for young people (0–25), and families in the Colchester and Tendring area.

We offer flexible ways to access help — whatever works best for you.

Monthly Drop-In Sessions

No need to book — just pop in!

We run monthly sessions across Colchester and Tendring for young people (0–25) and their families. Come along for friendly advice, helpful information, or simply a chat about any concerns or questions you might have.


One-to-One Support

We also offer personalised support, including:

- Assistance in understanding the EHCP process.
- Attending meetings with schools or professionals.
- Advice on strategies that may help at home.
- Bespoke guidance based on your individual needs.

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Weekly Attendance

OAK 92.7% ELM 97.4% HAWTHORN 96% SYCAMORE 94%

