



The Butler Buzz

R A Butler's Weekly Newsletter – 1 March 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to second half of the Spring Term. The weather may have been dreary but we've had some brilliance in the school this week with the....

Gym and Dance Show

Enormous congratulations to the children that took part in the Gym and Dance display at SWCHS earlier this week. They have practised so diligently and it paid off with truly wonderful performances. They were described as 'fireworks going off' by one member of the audience. Big thanks go to Sue Raven, Miss Shivers and Mrs Joubert for their brilliant choreography and training sessions. You can watch their fabulous performances [here](#).

Pop Up Play Village



As part of their topic on Toys, Year 1 enjoyed a visit from Pop Up Play Village this week. They had great fun playing with a range of different toys and using role play to be hairdressers, explorers, firefighters, construction workers and much more!



Respectful Refillers

This week, our amazing Rights Respecting team, The Respectful Refillers, had a successful practice session. They are now all ready to greet you on Wednesday! You will be able to buy refills of natural, paraben free, vegan products including hand soap, body wash and washing up liquid. We will open the shop at 3:05pm so that if you wish to visit before pick up, you will be able to enter via the back door of the Butler Room. A sign will lead you there. We would prefer cash, but can accept card payments. Please bring a 500ml bottle (a hand soap or washing up liquid bottle works best). The team look forward to meeting you!

Connections Coffee Morning

On Monday 11th March we will be joined by Charley Bird, our Educational Mental Health Practitioner. She will be available to chat informally about mental health and wellbeing. She works with us in school with groups of children, supporting with emotional resilience and teaching them about how to manage their wellbeing. She also works with parents to help them to support their children. You can find out more about Charley and what she does at RAB [here](#). If you have any concerns about your child or are just interested in wellbeing resources and upcoming events, please come along and join us!

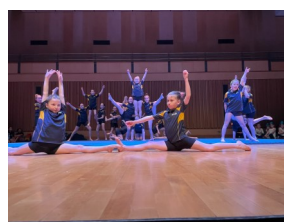
You can also read the [MIND February Newsletter](#) it is full of tips and useful information to support mental wellbeing.



Diary Dates Next Week



4-8 Mar	Week 1 Lunch Menu
4 March	Y2 Zoolab Day
4-5 March	Mother's Day Pop Up Shop
5 Mar	Y3 Circus Skills Day
6 Mar	Y4 Epping Forest Trip
6 Mar	Respectful Refillers Shop
7 Mar	World Book Day
8 Mar	Y2&5 Swimming @ LBLC



World Book Day 2024 - Thursday

We are very excited that World Book Day is almost upon us! We would love the children to come in dressed as their favourite story characters, we always enjoy seeing how creative their ideas are. This can be done at no cost so please chat to your teacher if you need any ideas. The day will be jam-packed with story-themed activities for the children to enjoy and they will of course receive their voucher for a free book from this year's World Book Day selection. The link below has more information if you are interested. <https://www.worldbookday.com/>

ACL Family Learning

ACL Family Learning (funded by Essex County Council) have a number of online courses running in March and April which may be of benefit to parents/carers/grandparents. These sessions are run individually so families can sign up to as many, or as few, as they like. You can see a list of the courses they run on the flyer to the right.

ACL FAMILY LEARNING

FREE! ONLINE COURSES

- Go To Sleep!
- Setting Boundaries
- Raising Girls
- First Aid Workshop
- Managing Big Emotions
- Getting Teens To Talk
- Mindfulness & relaxation
- Anxiety Coping Techniques for Teens

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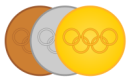

call our friendly team on 03330 321 017 | Search 'family learning' at acl.essex.gov.uk | Email: aclfamilylearning@essex.gov.uk

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ACL Essex County Council

Gardening Club

Thank you to those of you who supported the bulb sale, we raised £45. We hope you enjoy watching them grow.

 RAB READING		
BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD Charlie C Lois F Luke S
 RAB BOOKWORMS		
BRONZE Phoebie E William W Saul B	SILVER Freddie S Isla B Grace G	GOLD Esme W Daniel W Annie B



RAB PTA QUIZ NIGHT – two weeks to go!

We've got spaces and whole tables left for the PTA Quiz Night on Friday 15 March. This is one of our main parent social events of the year and comes with a well-stocked bar to help you care less whether you know your Downing Street from your Coronation Street!



Two of our lovely Y6 parents, Dan and Sammy, are this year's quiz masters as their last hurrah at RAB – it would be fab to have a full house (and maybe some more Y6 folks) to cheer them on.

Our set up is limited to separate round tables of 8 that normally each form a quiz team. We absolutely get that you may feel a bit awkward buying a ticket or two for a table where you don't know the others. In our experience, you'll be cheering as one by the end so very much worth just putting your names to any table with spaces - but if you're an awesome foursome, say, who'd like to form your own separate team on a table then just email rabutlerpta@gmail.com and we'll make that happen.

If you can pull a group of parents or friends of RAB together, you are also welcome to reserve and pay for a whole table for your team.

Tickets are £10 each. Doors open at 7pm for a prompt start at 7.45pm. Bar closes at 11pm.

If you'd like to join us for a brilliant evening – with the emphasis on fun over facts! – jump online to book your tickets at www.trybooking.com/uk/DDDU. Booking fees apply.

Cash and cards accepted at the bar. Bring a couple of £1 coins too for some extra fun and games.

Textile Collection – thank you

We had a lovely hillock of bags in the car park on Wednesday morning! Thank you for all your donations - collectively they weighed 288kg, which has helped to raise valuable funds for the school.

RAB PTA 100 Club – congratulations to our winners this month!

1st prize (£45): number 46

2nd prize (£25): number 3



3rd prize (£10): number 72

All February prize winners will be notified.

Booking your summer holiday?

If you're busy making plans for the summer, don't forget that easyfundraising works with loads of travel and tour operators to raise funds for the school, without you spending a penny extra. All you have to do is sign up at www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/rabpta. It's amazing how those pennies turn into pounds on a bigger purchase like a family holiday. With retailers across hotels and holidays, flights, car hire, travel money, ferries and trains, including Booking.com, Expedia, TUI, IHG, Disneyland Paris and lots more, they've pretty much got the travel sector covered!

Find out more: www.easyfundraising.org.uk/retailer-category/travel/

	Stars of the Week	
<u>Reception</u>		
Sylvie B	Holly R	Charlotte S
Chloe S	Eva S	Meena J
<u>Year 1</u>		
Vinny G	Alex T	Bobby M
Charlotte M	Finley B	Amaya R
<u>Year 2</u>		
Charles A	Willson Q	Muhammed G
William S	Herbie S	Benett P
<u>Year 3</u>		
Esmee S	Sebby G	George T
Bertie M	Alice G	Jesse L
<u>Year 4</u>		
Poppy R	Emeilia A	Audrey B
Oliver L	Albie F	Phoebie E
<u>Year 5</u>		
Robin A	Max C	Amelie B
Lucie L	Hayley S	Leo C
<u>Year 6</u>		
Emmy B	Fabien N	Sophia S
Louie B	Max F	Alistair
Infant Lunchtime Cup	1EC	
Junior Lunchtime Cup	Year 6	

Future Diary Dates

11 Mar Connections Meeting 9am
 11 Mar Y2 Parent Maths Workshop 9am
 12 Mar EY Parent 6R/Phonics Workshop 9am
 13 Mar Y1 Parent Lunch 11.55am (pre booked)
 15 Mar PTA Quiz Night
 18 Mar Y6 Young Shakespeare
 20 Mar R Parent Lunch 11.55am (pre booked)
 25-28 Mar Parent Consultations
 28 March Easter Term Ends 1.30pm
 15 April Children Return to School
 19 April Y5 Celtic Harmony Camp
 7 May pm 2 Johns Online Safety Workshop for Parents

You can find term dates for this academic year and next [here](#).