

Friday 14th September 2018

Planetarium Experience

On Wednesday this week the whole school had the chance to learn more about space when a portable Planetarium came in to school. All of the Classes really enjoyed their time in the dome and now know more



about the universe around us.

A fantastic experience for all.



Well Done Everyone

Over the past few weeks we have had lots of achievements from children across the school.



Abbie Willis Year 3 and Alisha Manning Year 5 were both graded their Blue Belt in Karate on Sunday.



Tyler Manning Year 2 who received his orange Belt in Karate during August. He is now working towards his green belt.



Millie Yell Year 6 who completed a 2 kilometre race in Langham on Sunday.



Lydia Green in Year 3 competed in an Essex wide Gymnastics competition where she came 6th over all on the vault.

Summer Reading Challenge.



A huge congratulations to anyone who took part in the library reading challenge over the summer holidays. Don't stop there, please encourage your child to keep up with their reading all year long!

Uniform Swap

There will be a school uniform swap held in the Parents Shelter after school on Tuesday 18th September.



SchoolPing

Some of you may have noticed that an online payments section has appeared on your schoolping app. The payments side of the system is not fully set up for our school yet. Please bear with us whilst we work with the company to get this side of things up and running as soon as possible. Thank you.

This half term our Christian value is 'Belonging'.

Reminders

- Individual School photos take place on Friday 19th October.
- As you may be aware, the secondary school admission round opened on Wednesday 12 September 2018, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2019. The statutory national closing date for applications is 31st October 2018. Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. 98% of parents in Essex applied online last year. Essex County Council are not sending letters to parents about making an application. All of the application information is available on the website above. The website also has a copy of the Secondary Education in Essex 2019-20 booklet which contains details of all secondary school admission policies. I provide a link to the booklet below. [http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Admissions/Document secondary Admissions Booklet.pdf](http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Admissions/Document-secondary%20Admissions%20Booklet.pdf)
- Primary school applications open on Monday November 12th 2018 and closes on Wednesday 16th January 2019.



School Attendance Figures



Well done to the new foundation Class and the Year 6 Class who both had the highest attendance figures last week for the week commencing 3rd September.

Both received **100%** attendance for the week.

What a fantastic achievement!

Ipswich School Open Morning

There is an open morning at Ipswich School on Saturday 29th September from 9:30am -12 noon for any potential Year 7 2019 pupils. If you are interested in going along or would like further information about the school please contact the school office.



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**Step By Step
Parenting Programme
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Fully funded for you by Child First Trust. Places are available on a first come, first served basis. This 8-week course is offered to parents from our school for FREE.

Venue: Kendall Primary School, Recreation Road, Colchester.
Date and Time: Starting Wednesday 26th September @ 9.15am

For more information, or to book your place, please call Jacky Curtis (07732 122688) or Amanda Rowe (07772 268691) or email jackycurtis71@yahoo.com or roweamanda@sky.com

<p>Introductory Session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Get to know the facilitators Overview of sessions Establish parent's expectations Sign up 	<p>Session 1</p> <p>LIFE AS A PARENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introducing parenting roles and responsibilities Identifying parenting styles Preparing children for independence 	<p>Session 2</p> <p>DEVELOPING RELATIONSHIPS THROUGH PLAY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring the importance of play Acknowledging the barriers to it Dealing with the challenges
<p>Session 3</p> <p>LISTENING & TALKING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The importance of listening Using open questions Ideas on how to re-phrase unclear or negative statements 	<p>Session 4</p> <p>FEELINGS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop verbal sharing of emotions Identify signs and symptoms of stress Look at ways to manage stress 	<p>Session 5</p> <p>PRaise & REWARDS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking at ways to encourage positive behaviours through praise, rewards and the giving of responsibilities Raising self-esteem
<p>Session 6</p> <p>ROUTINES, RULES & LIMIT</p> <p>SETTING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The importance of routines Rules to encourage positive behaviour Setting of appropriate limits 	<p>Session 7 & 8</p> <p>MANAGING BEHAVIOUR & EVALUATION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goals of behaviour, triggers and consequences Stepped approach to managing behaviours Reflection of strategies and techniques 	<p>STEP BY STEP PARENTING PROGRAMME 8 WEEK COURSE</p>