# NEWSLETTER

**17th September 2021**

AIM HIGH TO BE THE BEST

## OUR CHRISTIAN THEME THIS HALF-TERM IS

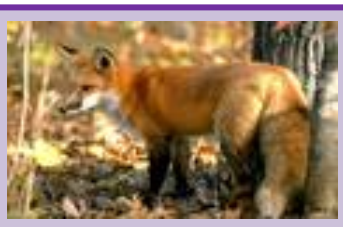
## THE WORDS OF JESUS

**This is how you should pray (Matthew 6.9-13)**

We are delighted how quickly are new Reception (EYFS) children have settled into the routine of the school.

This week they have stayed with us until after lunch and have enjoyed having their lunch in the school hall. They have all been very well behaved and relished learning the lunchtime schedule.

Next week they will stay for the whole school day.



## FOXES

This week Foxes class had a delicious maths lesson - learning about place value by using marshmallows and cheerios. It was a sweet success!

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION PARENTS/CARERS YEAR 6

**New secondary admission round (Year 6 to 7 transfer September 2022)**

The application period for admission to Year 7 in secondary schools for September 2022 opened on 10th September 2021.

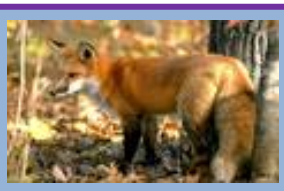
From this date, parents/carers of current Year 6 Essex resident children will be able to make their applications using Essex County Councils website:

www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

Last year, 99% of Essex parents applied online.

As usual, the Council will not be sending out letters to parents/carers about applying. All of the application information is published on the website above.

Applications for a secondary school place need to be applied for by the closing date of 31 October 2021.



## FOXES

One of our children in Foxes class has donated the hair that she had cut off to Little Princesses – such a kind gesture.

Well done!

Little Princess Trust

Messy Church

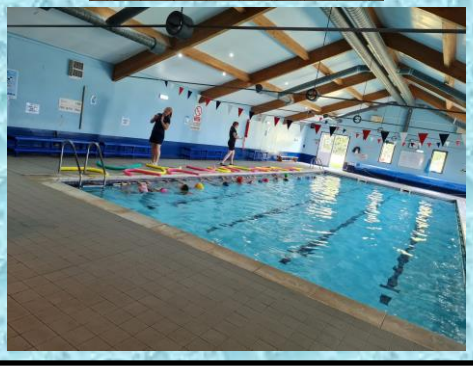
We would like to thank Mrs Keeble and Mrs Peacock for representing Latchingdon C of E Primary School at Messy Church on Monday 13th September 2021.

We hope that all the children (and their families) that attended had an enjoyable afternoon.

## Year 5 – Swimming Lessons

This Thursday all our Year 5 children have started swimming lessons at Southminster School. They will be attending each week for a six week period.

They were all very excited to be getting on the mini-bus and a big thank you to Mrs Fuller who will be escorting them each week.



## Letters sent home / info on website for w/e 17th September 2021

The following letters have been sent out and/or put on the school website (under Key Information/ Information Hub/ Letters Home).

- ORMISTON RIVERS ACADEMY: Letter to Year 5 & Year 6 Parents re Virtual Open Evening – Thursday 16/9/21
- FLYER TO ALL PARENTS: Macmillan Coffee Afternoon – Friday 24th September 2021 2pm to 3.10pm
- ANGLO EUROPEAN: Virtual Open Events & Morning Tours 2021
- PTFA: AGM – Thursday 23/3/21 3.10pm
- ESSEX CHILD & FAMILY WELLBEING SERVICE: Healthy Schools & Social, Emotional & Mental Health (SEMH) Strategy Teams' Newsletter – Issue No. 6 – Sept 2021
- LETTER TO ALL PARENTS: School Clubs beginning w/c 27/9/21

PTFA

PTFA Annual General Meeting being held on Thursday 23rd September 2021 at 3.10pm in the Hall.

Everyone is welcome.

## Worship Group

As a Church of England primary school our assemblies and services at the Church are very important to us.

For over 10 years, a group of KS2 children have taken part in a very successful Worship Group. They meet about once a month, at lunchtime, to share ideas and prepare activities. We are often joined by Mrs Minister, from Messy Church.

This week the Worship Group was able to meet again to plan our Harvest Service and further details regarding this will follow nearer the time.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

This week each class have been voting for one of their peers to represent their class in the School Council. Well done to the following children who have been elected:

Bonnie-Lee - Red Squirrels
Gopish - Red Squirrels
Harrison - Hedgehogs
Eloise P - Hedgehogs
Ted – Foxes
Nancy – Foxes
Ernie - Otters
Isaac - Otters
Tom – Badgers
Ethan – Badgers

Their first meeting will be held next week.

## Headteacher Stickers

This week Mrs Kemp has given Headteacher Stickers to the following children:

TJ – Red Squirrels

Oliver K-P – Hedgehogs

Rory – Otters

Dounya – Hedgehogs

Katara – Hedgehogs

Skylar – Badgers

Riley – Badgers

Ralphy - Badgers

**Please see our website for full details of Dates to remember**

## ACEDEMIC YEAR 2021-2022

### AUTUMN TERM

**September 2021**

23rd Sept – Yr 5 Swimming
24th Sept – Macmillan Coffee Afternoon 2pm- 3.10pm
30th Sept – Yr 5 Swimming

**October 2021**

1st Oct – Individual School Photographs
7th Oct – Yr 5 Swimming
14th Oct – Yr 5 Swimming
21st Oct – Yr 5 Swimming
25th Oct to 29th Oct – HALF TERM HOLIDAY

**November 2021**

1st Nov – NON-PUPIL DAY
4th Nov – Yr 5/6 – Life Support Road Show
5th Nov – Yr5/6 – Life Support Road Show

**December 2021**

20th Dec to 31st Dec – CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

### SPRING TERM

**January 2022**

3rd Jan – BANK HOLIDAY
February 2022
14th Feb to 18th Feb – HALF TERM HOLIDAY

**APRIL 2022**

4th April to 18th April – EASTER HOLIDAY

### SUMMER TERM

**May 2022**

2nd May – BANK HOLIDAY
30TH May to 3rd June – HALF TERM HOLIDAY
June 2022
6th June – NON-PUPIL DAY

**July 2022**

20th, 21st July – NON-PUPIL DAYS
22nd July – START SUMMER HOLIDAY

On Tuesday, our music teacher, Mr Prichard re-commenced his 1:1 music lessons.

He also joined us playing the piano in our Whole School Worship.

## Attendance – w/e 17/9/21

The winning class for the week ending 17th September 2021 is Red Squirrels.

| Year | Attendance % |
|---|---|
| R / 1(Red Squirrels) | 99.17% |
| 1 / 2 (Hedgehogs) | 95.2% |
| 3 (Foxes) | 98.08% |
| 4 / 5 (Otters) | 95.39% |
| 5 / 6 (Badgers) | 91.27% |
| Whole School | 95.82% |

Each Friday we hold a raffle for all pupils in school, on time all week. This week the raffle was drawn and the winning pupil was Evelyn **from Badgers class.**

The Government expects our attendance to be 96%.

If your child is not in school, please remember to phone each morning before 9 am and leave a message. **We must have a reason to enable us to authorise the absence and to notify the Department of Education if it is COVID related.**

If you receive a text message, please contact the school to explain the absence. If we do not hear from you telephone calls will be made.

Safeguarding requires the school to know why a child is not in school. Every child legally has to attend school and parents/carers have a duty to notify the school.

Each week the Friday Assembly is led by members of Badgers Class. This week's leaders were Tom and Laila-Bo.

Well done to all these children.

## Stars of the Week – w/e 17/9/21

| Year | Name |
|---|---|
| R / 1(Red Squirrels) | Ronnie & Abigail |
| 1 / 2 (Hedgehogs) | Riley & Tilly |
| 3 (Foxes) | Ashley & Catalina |
| 4 / 5 (Otters) | Erin & Daniel |
| 5 / 6 (Badgers) | Louis & Skylar |

## Star Writers – w/e 17/9/21

| Year | Name |
|---|---|
| R / 1(Red Squirrels) | Rhys |
| 1 / 2 (Hedgehogs) | Judith |
| 3 (Foxes) | Bella-Rose |
| 4 / 5 (Otters) | Anais |
| 5 / 6 (Badgers) | Laila-Bo |

## Good Manners – w/e 17/9/21

| Year | Name |
|---|---|
| R / 1(Red Squirrels) | Emily & Sophie |
| 1 / 2 (Hedgehogs) | Oliver O & Isla-Mae |
| 3 (Foxes) | Ellie & Phebe |
| 4 / 5 (Otters) | Lola & Caitlin |
| 5 / 6 (Badgers) | Alexia & Evelyn |

## Lunch Time Stars – w/e 17/9/21

Sawyer – Hedgehogs

Tom - Badgers

## Reading Challenge – w/e 17/9/21

| Year | % children reading at home regularly |
|---|---|
| R / 1(Red Squirrels) | 60% |
| 1 / 2 (Hedgehogs) | 63% |
| 3 (Foxes) | 65% |
| 4 / 5 (Otters) | 64% |
| 5 / 6 (Badgers) | 84% |

YOU'RE INVITED

# COME FOR COFFEE

## IT'S FOR MACMILLAN

Where: **Latchingdon C of E Primary School**

When: **Friday 24th September 2021**

- Please join us **anytime between 2pm & 3.10pm** when we will be serving coffee, tea and cake for a donation towards Macmillan
- You can collect your child/ren from their class to join you & they are free to leave with you when you have finished

Why: So everyone with cancer can have a Macmillan team in their corner

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO DONATE CAKES FOR THIS WORTHY CAUSE PLEASE SEND INTO SCHOOL ON THE MORNING OF 24th SEPTEMBER 2021

**(Please remember we are a nut free school so cakes should not contain nuts or nut products)**

We look forward to welcoming you back into our school!

# Individual Photos

Friday 1st October 2021

The children will be having individual photos taken on Friday 1st October. We have also been offered photos to be taken with pre-school age siblings as well as siblings within the school.

If you have a child **under school age** that you would like to be photographed with an older sibling already at Latchingdon C of E Primary School then please can you arrive at the office no later than 8.30am. Please ensure you have all children with you – your child will not be marked in as late. You will be asked to wait in the Hall. Please can you wait quietly as we want to have the minimum of disruption within the school at all times.

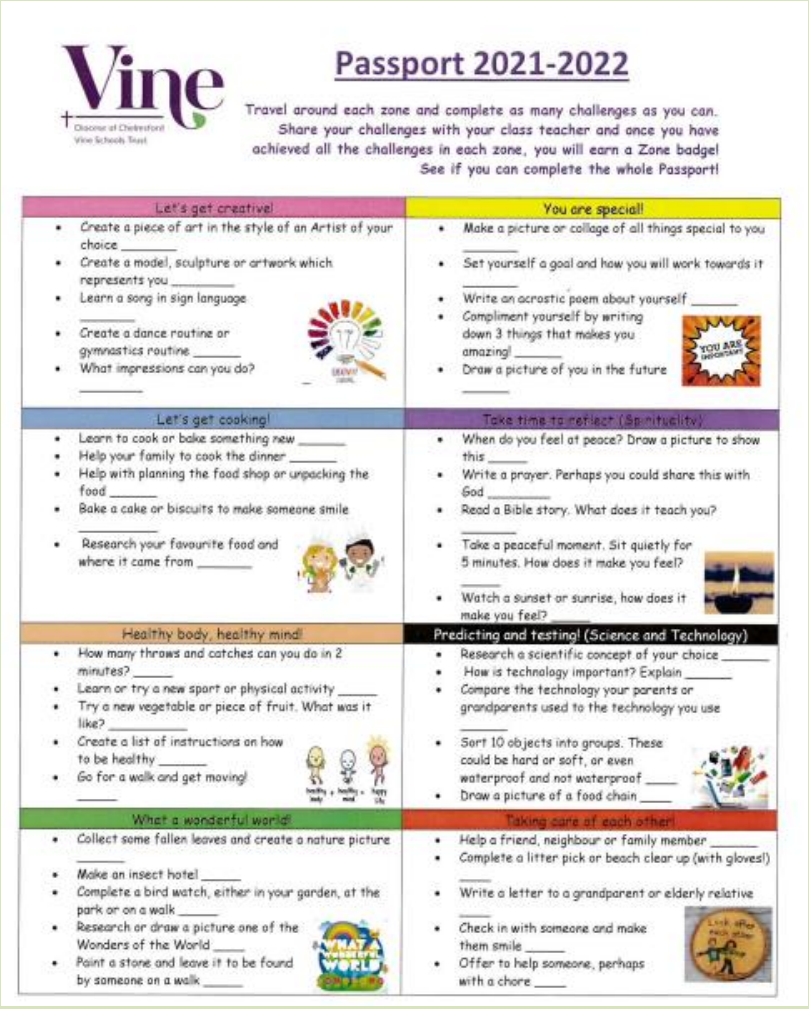
If you have a **child with siblings already at Latchingdon C of E Primary School** then they will be photographed together during the morning and do not need to be in school any earlier than normal.

# Vine School Passport 2021-2022

**With the success of last year's Vine Passport, the Vine Trust have updated and re-launched again this year!**

**This year Latchingdon C of E Primary School have decided to use the passport as projects within the school and teachers may, occasionally, set some of the ideas as homework.**

**Once any areas are completed by the children they will receive a Badge and a Certificate during one of our Friday Celebration Assemblies.**



Vine

Diocese of Chelmsford
Vine Schools Trust

## Passport 2021-2022

Travel around each zone and complete as many challenges as you can. Share your challenges with your class teacher and once you have achieved all the challenges in each zone, you will earn a Zone badge! See if you can complete the whole Passport!

### Let's get creative!

- Create a piece of art in the style of an Artist of your choice _____
- Create a model, sculpture or artwork which represents you _____
- Learn a song in sign language _____
- Create a dance routine or gymnastics routine _____
- What impressions can you do? _____

### You are special!

- Make a picture or collage of all things special to you _____
- Set yourself a goal and how you will work towards it _____
- Write an acrostic poem about yourself _____
- Compliment yourself by writing down 3 things that makes you amazing! _____
- Draw a picture of you in the future _____

### Let's get cooking!

- Learn to cook or bake something new _____
- Help your family to cook the dinner _____
- Help with planning the food shop or unpacking the food _____
- Bake a cake or biscuits to make someone smile _____
- Research your favourite food and where it came from _____

### Take time to reflect (Spirituality)

- When do you feel at peace? Draw a picture to show this _____
- Write a prayer. Perhaps you could share this with God _____
- Read a Bible story. What does it teach you? _____
- Take a peaceful moment. Sit quietly for 5 minutes. How does it make you feel? _____
- Watch a sunset or sunrise, how does it make you feel? _____

### Healthy body, healthy mind!

- How many throws and catches can you do in 2 minutes? _____
- Learn or try a new sport or physical activity _____
- Try a new vegetable or piece of fruit. What was it like? _____
- Create a list of instructions on how to be healthy _____
- Go for a walk and get moving! _____

### Predicting and testing! (Science and Technology)

- Research a scientific concept of your choice _____
- How is technology important? Explain _____
- Compare the technology your parents or grandparents used to the technology you use _____
- Sort 10 objects into groups. These could be hard or soft, or even waterproof and not waterproof _____
- Draw a picture of a food chain _____

### What a wonderful world!

- Collect some fallen leaves and create a nature picture _____
- Make an insect hotel _____
- Complete a bird watch, either in your garden, at the park or on a walk _____
- Research or draw a picture one of the Wonders of the World _____
- Paint a stone and leave it to be found by someone on a walk _____

### Taking care of each other!

- Help a friend, neighbour or family member _____
- Complete a litter pick or beach clear up (with gloves!) _____
- Write a letter to a grandparent or elderly relative _____
- Check in with someone and make them smile _____
- Offer to help someone, perhaps with a chore _____

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If you are interested, then please see the School Website under Information Hub/Letters Home to access any links.