



*'Be safe, be kind.
Listen and think a lot.
Be your best!'*



The Perryfield Post

Something to celebrate!

What another excellent year at Perryfields Infant School. The children and staff have all been fantastic and there is a happy, energetic and hard-working buzz around the school. As parents and carers you will all be aware, that the focus at Perryfields Infants remains firmly on the children both in their learning and welfare.

There have been a few support staff changes over the year and any of these changes have been smooth and new staff have quickly learnt the Perryfields way.

The schools Curriculum continues to be very cross-curricular, varied and engaging for the children. In addition we have had several fun filled and educational events throughout the year for example, Chinese New Year, Science Week, expert gym and dance lessons, pantomime visits and a variety of charity and sponsored events. The list goes on and on. This wouldn't have been possible without your continued support and of course the hard work from the staff. I could not have asked for a more dedicated staff team—

not just teachers but the support staff too — they all really do have the welfare of the children at heart.

The end of KS1 results are testament to their hard work and the children's positive attitudes to learning. This year 78% of children were assessed as reaching the expected level and above in reading, 65% in writing and 77% in mathematics. These are really positive results with all the children making progress from their starting points in the Foundation Stage. I am immensely proud of all of them.

I am sure your children will continue to progress and flourish as they continue their learning journey into Junior School.

Perryfields Infant School

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Dates for your diary...

- 18th July—2pm Diamond Class Leavers assembly
- 19th July—9.30am Pearl Class Leavers assembly
- 20th July—Last Day
- 4th September—Non-pupil day INSET DAY
- 5th September—Year 1 and Year 2 children start school

In September there will be additional dates for your diary on the school website calendar. Some of the events still need to be finalised and some dates may be subject to change. I hope these are helpful.

Named carrier bags please!

One last request to you all! Please could you send into school a large, strong carrier bag/bag for life, clearly marked with your child's name before Tuesday.

This is so the children can bring home all the fantastic work they have produced throughout the year.

Please take a little time to have a look at their topic books. You will be able to see how the children's work has improved throughout the course of the year. They have worked hard to produce the pieces of work and have all made progress and I am very proud of all their achievements.

Year 2 Work

The Junior School have asked if the Year 2 children can return their reading, writing, maths and topic books in September to enable them to reassess the children at the start of the term. Of course, we thought you would want to share your child's fantastic work beforehand.

ENJOY!

A long hot summer

The long summer holidays are just around the corner! The children (and staff) all need a break from school routines. I really hope the sun shines so that you can make the most of family time together.

I would however, just like to mention how important it is for your child to continue to do a little reading and writing. Six weeks is a long time in the life of a young child not to practice some of the skills they have developed during the year.

Any kind of writing would be helpful—they could write to grandparents who live a long way away. Or write/email a friend to come over and play. I have asked all the children to keep a diary of all the different things they do over the holidays.



Writing doesn't have to be a formal exercise and can be fun!

Reading is another skill which the children need to practise during the summer break.

Lost Property

Please have a look
in lost property before
the end of term
before it all goes to
the charity shop.

Swimming Fun

All of the Year 1 and Year 2 children have thoroughly enjoyed their six weeks of swimming at The Boswell school. Last Friday was their last swimming lesson and unlike the other weeks this week was all about pool safety and how to keep safe in pools on holiday. The feedback from the children was so positive that I am hoping that we can repeat this next year. This will allow the current Year 1 children to repeat this experience and for the Foundation Stage children something to look forward to.

Goodbye and Good Luck

At the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to three members of the team. Mrs Tucker, the school's Business Manager will be moving on to pastures new after 12 years at Perryfields Infant School. Mrs Carter, one of our experienced Midday Assistants will be leaving after 13 years here but will be back to help out as relief and Miss Williamson will be changing her role from a SEN Keyworker to a trainee teacher. Miss Williamson will return in

September as a trainee teacher and will be working alongside Mrs Champion in Pearl Class. Of course, we wish them all the best of luck in their new adventures.

Year 2 Leavers

And last of all I wish all the Year 2 children the very best of luck on their educational journey. Keep reaching for the stars and remember anything is possible!

Mischief Makers

This is an ideal time to remind everyone about the Essex Library Big Summer Read Challenge. From 14th July to 1st September in all Essex Libraries children can

read or share books to earn stickers and if they complete the challenge they will receive a certificate and a Record Breakers medal. Children can read books or comics from home or borrow books from the library.

For more information go to www.essex.gov.uk/libraries Whatever else you do over the summer—just keep reading!



New Climbing Frame

We are hoping that the new climbing frame will be ready to use at some point next week. Please can I remind you that the children are NOT allowed on it before or after the school day. Only with a teacher!

Sponsored Fitness Event

Fabulous news—our sponsored fitness circuit raised over £1600 for the school funds! That's fantastic! A big thank you to everyone.