



## Diary Dates

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| School Day – 8:40am – 3:05pm |   |
| 22/05/23                     | Year 5 Felixstowe trip                                    |
| 29/05-02/06/23               | Half Term   |
| 08/06/23                     | Year 5 Foundation Subject Parents Evening in person 5-7pm |
| 29/06/23                     | Year 6 Foundation Subject Parents Evening in person 5-7pm |
| 03/07/23                     | Year 6 Felixstowe trip rescheduled                        |
| 13/07/23                     | County Transition Day                                     |
| 21/07/23                     | End of Summer Term 1.20pm                                 |
| 01-04/09/23                  | INSET Days  |
| 05/09/23                     | Year 5 induction Day                                      |
| 06/09/23                     | Autumn Term Begins for all Years                          |
| 18-20/09/23                  | Year 7 Essex Outdoors Bradwell – Educational Visit        |

## Why did you send us information about COVID is it not it all over?

At the beginning of the week we were at risk from a number of staff absences suffering from COVID. While for most students the latest variant is not having an impact, however staff have been unwell. In order to support you I will always warn you if our school is getting close to requiring a year group, or tutor group to distance learn and this is always based on how many staff we have in the school to cover lessons, and how many supply teachers we can get in. I would rather work on preparing you for the worse case scenario with time to find childcare, than not. So far, we have had no further cases within staff but this has led to heavy cover this week in teacher absence.

## Why were toilets off limits to children this week?

We sadly had to close the main block of toilets to students on Thursday and Friday. Students still had access to the gym toilets and the front office.

We sent out an parental questionnaire a couple of weeks ago and we would ask if you have not yet

completed it, would you take the opportunity to give us feedback on what we can improve on and what you are happy with. Please click on this link if you can find the time to help us.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Msk88F8GHR>

## Are Year 5's able to take mobile phones on the trip to Felixstowe?

No, we will be carrying out beach fieldwork and phones can easily get lost. Combined with this we are keen to show them they can have a good time with their friends and looking at the landscape around them. Students are able to bring small games, electronic games and or a camera for the journey and the beach to take photos if they wish.

We will post an ETA on our Facebook site once we get underway from Felixstowe.

Attached is a set of slides showing the area and their fieldwork if you would like to view with your child. Thank you in advance to the volunteers who got involved. Please read the accompanying letter.



## Photography competition

Please see attached poster. 1st prize is "Jump the Dinner Queue" passes for the winner and 3 friends for 2 weeks!!

*Enjoy your weekend*

*Mrs J Gant – Headteacher*

*As a Christian school we recognise the unique and wonderful in everyone.  
As a community we support one another to flourish and live life in all its fullness.*