

# Newsletter



Week Ending 14th November 2025

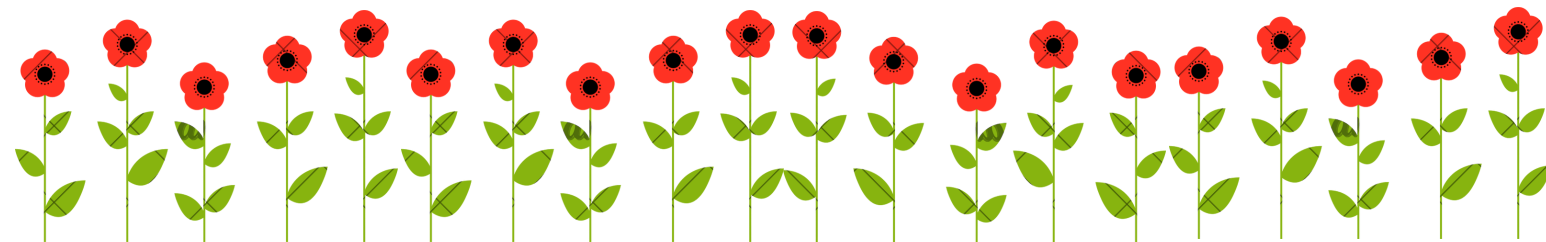
## What's been happening in our school...?

As I cast my eye over the fortnightly newsletter I am always proud of the rich experiences that colleagues provide! There are some fantastic things that have happened in the past 2 weeks that should be really celebrated as we seek to make the children's time in school memorable and through their enjoyment of learning they achieve excellence.



I am currently showing lots of prospective new parents around the school as they make their decisions about the school setting they would like for their children. These adults have been extremely complimentary of the children's learning behaviours and enthusiasm for their learning and this really comes across in some of the articles later in the newsletter, such as the piece of writing Primrose and Eliza have done about Stone Age Survival Day.

I have also been particularly proud of the children this week as they shared in our Remembrance Collective Worship. They showed respect and thoughtfulness in our time together. They of course also conducted 2 minutes silence in memory of all those who have made the ultimate sacrifice to preserve our freedom and build a better future in which we work together towards a more peaceful, tolerant society.



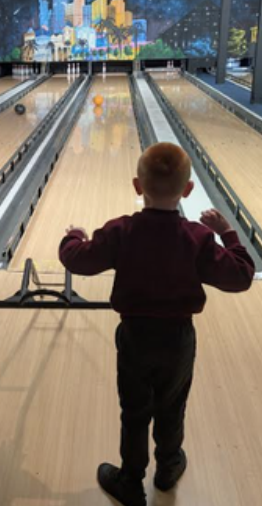
*It is almost the  
season to be  
Jolly!*

**Look out for the important information sent to you on email about all the exciting festive things your child's year group is participating in this December.**

# THE SPORTS PAGES



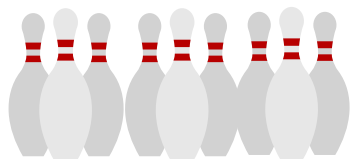
## Marvellous Meerkats Strrrrike it big at bowling!



For their first ever School Trip, the Meerkats took part in a bowling tournament organised by the Panathlon at Madison Heights in Maldon. They were a super squad who tried really hard to get as many of those pesky pins down as possible! There were some real stand out superstar bowlers in the squad



and even a few strikes. What a lovely way for Meerkats to prove how much we have to be proud of at All Saints'. The children definitely enjoyed their first ever school trip. I wonder where the next one will take them?



## We shall remember them

Well done to Chloe and Esme who laid a wreath on behalf of All Saints' at the remembrance event on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November in Maldon. The service concluded with a march past of local veterans, services, and cadet groups led by the Essex Branch of the Caledonian Marching Band. With many of our pupils also representing the Beavers, Cubs, Brownies, Guides and Scouts as well as other organisations it is good to see our community coming together to remember the sacrifice made by so many to preserve our freedom.



## Also, a massive Well done!

Annie from Seahorse class made her own poppies to sell to the staff to raise money for the Royal British Legion. She made a total of £92.40 which is a massive achievement! We are so proud of you Annie. Not only will this wonderful act of generosity be added to your shine award, but you have also given a lot of people a lasting and beautifully made memory.



## Thank you!

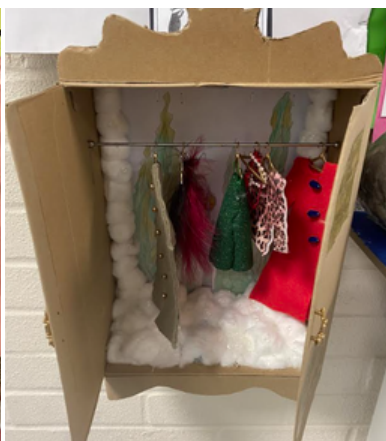
The Royal British Legion have asked us to thank the All Saints' Primary School Community for their generosity towards the Poppy Appeal this year.

# ENRICHING & ENDEAVOURS



Important Diary Dates  
Please note these may be  
subject to change

Well done to all those students who were able to complete their Enrichment Homework. We were treated to some truly excellent pieces of art, technology, baking, nature, structures and more. You obviously spent a lot of time and thought creating these. Here is a very small selection of what the children achieved. Needless to say we are all incredibly proud of you for bringing your topics to life.



## NOVEMBER 2025

24 - Banardos Event at Royal Albert Hall (by invitation from Mrs Chilver)

## DECEMBER 2025

- 5-7 - All Saints Church Christmas Tree Festival, Maldon High Street
- 5 - School Christmas Fayre in School Hall 3.15-6.00pm
- 5 - Christmas Jumper Day
- 10 - KS1 Nativity first production to parents 2.00pm (details to follow)
- 11 - KS1 Nativity second production to parents 9.30am (details to follow)
- 15 - EYFS Christmas event with parents in school from 2.00pm (details to follow)
- 17 - Christmas Dinner Day
- 17 - Whole School Church Rehearsal
- 18 - Meerkats/EYFS/KS1 Christmas Party in School
- 19 - Whole School Christmas Service at All Saints Church at 9.30am (details to follow) - parents and carers invited

## JANUARY 2026

- 5 - NON-PUPIL DAY
- 6 - Children return to school
- 19 - Year 3/4 Colchester Castle Trip (details to be confirmed)
- Date tbc - Art Exhibition in School Hall (details to follow, all will be welcome to enter)

## FEBRUARY 2026

- 5 - Year 5 Life Saving Roadshow Part 1
  - 9 - Year 4/5/6 Hi 5 Netball at Wentworth
  - 13 - KS1 Party and KS2 School Disco 6.00-9.00pm
  - 16 - 20 Feb School Holidays
  - 23 - Children return to school
  - 24 - Open Afternoon, Enrichment Homework on display in school hall
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# ARTISTIC ADVENTURES AROUND MALDON

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Thank you to Mrs Miles and Mrs Hyam who run our afterschool art club - they gave the children who wished to, an opportunity to enter into the St Mary's 'design a Christmas Card' competition. The winner was announced in Collective worship on Friday and the winning design can be purchased from either The Heritage Centre or from the shop at St Mary's Church. Here is the winning entry by Evelina in Turtles. We are all very impressed!



Well done Charlie! We heard that you were a runner up in the mini-art trail. That's something to celebrate too!

Maybe next Christmas it could be your card design on sale...



## FEBRUARY 2026

26 - Year 5 Life Saving Roadshow Part 2

## MARCH 2026

2-6 Gazette School Takeover (selected children will be invited to take part, details tbc)

5 - Year 6 Life Saving Roadshow Part 1

12 - Year 6 Life Saving Roadshow Part 2

12-13 - Bikeability Course 1 (with allocated children, details to follow)

16-17 - Bikeability Course 2 (with allocated children, details to follow)

18-19 - Bikeability Course 3 (with allocated children, details to follow)

20 - UKS2 Warner Brothers Trip (details tbc)

30-10 APRIL School Holidays

## APRIL 2026

3 - Good Friday, Bank holiday

6 - Easter Monday, Bank holiday

13 - Children return to school

## MAY 2026

4 - Bank Holiday

22 - KS1 Party and KS2 School Disco 6.00-9.00pm

25 - Bank Holiday

26-29 School Holidays

## JUNE 2026

1 - Children return to school

2 - Open Afternoon, Enrichment Homework on display in school hall

3 - EYFS Trip to Boydells Farm (details to follow)

8 - 12 Year 6 Hilltop Residential Trip

26 - Summer Fete after school 3.15-6.00pm

## JULY 2026

20 - Non-pupil day

21 - 30 Aug School Holidays

## AUG 2026

31 - Bank Holiday

## SEP 2026

1 - Children return to school

## A POLITE IMPORTANT REMINDER



Hilltop  
Year 6 Residential Trip  
June 9-13 2025

**AT LEAST £385 MUST BE PAID BY 31.12.25**

**THE REMAINING BALANCE of £144 (TOTAL £529) MUST BE PAID BY 27.03.26**

### PLEASE NOTE:

*Permission and monies outstanding for all school trips can be paid via the School Gateway App. You can also pay by cash directly to the school office (exact money only please as the school does not have change). If you have any questions or require further help, please contact the school office directly (either in person, by phone or on email).*

# YEAR 3 AND 4 SPECTACULAR STONE AGE SURVIVAL DAY



Report written by Eliza and Primrose in Badgers Class:

At 9am we set out on the field and started our stone age day. Mrs Woodroof told us what to do. Our first activity was shelter building. We got 3 long sticks and lined them up next to each other. We tied them up in a knot called a double loop knot. We then lifted up the middle stick and pushed it into the ground so it would be stable and safe when we got in. We got some tarpaulin and clips and put something on the floor so we didn't get a wet bum! Miss Gibson squirted us to see if they were waterproof. There were five tents and only one tent was successful.

Then we tried hunting. Everyone made a circle and one person was sitting in the middle - they had a blindfold and a tambourine. One person went up to get the tambourine trying not to be heard, like a stealthy hunter. Next we used pinecones attached to string and ribbon, there was a hoop on the floor and we had to get it in the hoop. Then it got a bit harder. We went in twos had a safe spear, another hoop was on the floor and we had to get the spear in the hoop as well. We had to get them while they were MOVING!!!

Making fires was the final activity. First we had an intro to teach us how to keep safe. After that we had to get a shell from Mrs Woodroof and use a flint and steel to make some sparks. When we each made a spark, Mrs Woodroof put a bit of cotton wool in the shell so it would catch fire easier and safer. While making fires she chose some people to make soup. Some were cooking whilst the others were peeling and chopping. The other classes did different veggies like carrots, and sweet potatoes.

In the end it was a huge success and we had a great time. We ended our morning sitting around the fire circle eating our soup. Some said it was nice, others said it was....."interesting"!



# International Ambassadors BritishRedCross

In school at the beginning of the school year, children are invited to put themselves forward for roles which help shape and inform the school for everyone. This might be as an eco monitor, helping to make the school more climate friendly or a school counsellor looking at ways to improve playtimes or lunchtimes and being a voice for all the children in school. The International Ambassadors are a group of children who take a world view and feedback to the school on world news, current affairs and issues.

Here is their latest report, written by Summer, Isabella, Amelia and Flynn:

*On the 28th October 2025, one of the most intense Atlantic hurricanes on record reached land in Jamaica with 185mph winds. Category-5 'Hurricane Melissa' hit Jamaica, causing huge damage to homes and livelihoods. 61 people were killed.*

*What is the difference between a **hurricane**, **cyclone** and a **typhoon**?*



***Hurricanes** are tropical storms that form over the North Atlantic Ocean and Northeast Pacific.*

***Cyclones** are formed over the South Pacific and Indian Ocean.*


***Typhoons** are formed over the Northwest Pacific Ocean.*

*If you are willing and/or able to, you can donate to the emergency fund to help those affected on the Red Cross Website. See link here*

**HURRICANE MELISSA EMERGENCY RELIEF**

**Need to contact the school?**  
**Tel: 01621 853519**  
**Email: admin@allsaintsprimaryschoolmaldon.co.uk**



**Week commencing Monday 17th November we will be on WEEK 3 of our rolling 3 week dinner menu - Please check our website for allergens.**

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Main</b>	Beef Bolognese & Pasta with Garlic Bread	Pork Sausages and Mashed Potatoes Gravy optional	Roast Chicken Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes with Optional Gravy & Stuffing	Pulled Pork in a Bread Roll with Potato Wedges	Fish and Chips Optional Ketchup
<b>Vegetarian</b>	Vegetable Bolognese & Pasta with Garlic Bread VF	Vegetable Sausages and Mashed Potatoes Gravy optional VF	Vegetable Sausage Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes with Optional Gravy & Stuffing VF	Vegetable Burger in a Bread Roll with Potato Wedges VF	Vegetable Fingers and Chips Optional Ketchup VF
<b>Vegetables</b>	Olives	Sweetcorn Peas	Seasonal Vegetables	Coleslaw	Beans or Peas
<b>Alternative</b>	Jacket Potato with Tuna, Cheese and/or Beans	Hot Pasta with Tomato Sauce Toppings of the Day VF	Hot Roast Roll	Hot Pasta with Tomato Sauce Toppings of the Day VF	Jacket Potato with Tuna, Cheese and/or Beans
<b>Salad Bar</b>	Grated Carrot, Sweetcorn, Tomatoes and Cucumber				
<b>Desserts</b>	Yoghurt Bar with a Selection of Toppings				
	Sliced Fruit Platter	Jelly and Cream	Sponge Cake	Cornflake Tart & Cream	Ice Lolly

# Words for a Greener World: Competition

## Words for a Greener World Schools Short Story Competition

Essex Book Festival has teamed up with Essex Year of Opportunity to bring you the Words for a Greener World Short Story Competition – open to all schools in Essex.

It's simple. All your students need to do is write a story of **up to 500 words** based around the theme of **Climate Change** by **Friday 12 December**.

### Who can enter

**Open to 7 - 16 year olds studying in Essex.**  
Age categories: 7 - 11 years and 12 - 16 years

Entries must be submitted via the school. Homeschoolers can enter too. Each participating school to select a max of two entries per class, which will then be put forward for the countywide longlist.

Each participating school will be provided with a **FREE** digital resource pack providing tips and techniques to help inspire and teach children how to write a great story, with a special focus on eco-literacy.



### Prizes

For each age category (7-11 years and 12-16 years):

#### 1<sup>st</sup> place

Bundle of 'Greener World' books for the school, provided by independent bookshop, Red Lion Books

£25 Red Lion Books gift voucher

Winning story to be published on Essex Book Festival website

#### Runners up x 3

£10 Red Lion Books gift voucher

Runners up stories to be published on Essex Book Festival website



### Timings

The Words for a Greener World schools short story competition is open from 26<sup>th</sup> September and will **close on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025**.

All longlisted entries will be invited to attend an **Awards Ceremony on 28 February 2026** when all winners and runners up will be announced.

### How to enter

Stories can be submitted via our [online entry form](#).

For full details including terms and conditions, resource pack and online entry form, visit [essexbookfestival.org.uk/words-for-a-greener-world/](http://essexbookfestival.org.uk/words-for-a-greener-world/)

Or scan this QR code



# LIGHT UP MALDON

## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH-ON AND MARKET

THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 27TH  
5.00-9.00 PM

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# After School Cardboard Creations

Come along and enjoy quality time with your child through fun, hands-on activities designed to boost the creativity of the whole family. A great way to connect, laugh, and make happy memories together!



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Date: 25/11/2025

Time: 15:15 - 17:15

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# Mindful Crafts - Positive Pebbles

Come along and enjoy quality time with your child through fun, hands-on activities designed to boost the wellbeing of the whole family. A great way to connect, laugh, and make happy memories together!



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Date: 2/12/2025

Time: 15:15 - 17:15

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# Christmas Family Survival

Join us for a relaxed and friendly session packed with simple, practical ideas to help your family enjoy the festive season and manage the overwhelm. Leave with tips, smiles, and a little more peace this Christmas!



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Date: 9/12/2025

Time: 13:00 - 15:00

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# Christmas Family Activities

Join your child after school for a festive session full of fun Christmas activities! Enjoy crafts, games, and quality time together to get into the holiday spirit and make joyful memories.



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Time: 15:15 - 17:15

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