



THE TIPTREE HEATH TELEGRAPH

Issue No.6 Spring Term
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Diary Dates

Monday 23rd February - All children return to school.
Monday 23rd - Thursday 26th February - Year 6 Mock SATs week.
Wednesday 4th March - Year 3 and 4 Football Competition.
Wednesday 4th March - SEND coffee morning at 9am- please drop in. SPACE will be in attendance.
Thursday 5th March - World Book Day.
Tuesday 10th March - Year 1 Class Assembly at 9am - NEW DATE.
Tuesday 10th March - PTFA Go Bananas Event.
Tuesday 10th March - My Future online workshop for Years 4,5,6.
Thursday 12th March - My Future online workshop for Years 1,2,3.
Friday 13th March - PTFA Mother's Day Gifting Room
Friday 13th March - MiniMe Mindfulness sessions for all children.
Tuesday 17th March - Little Scarlet Class Assembly at 9am.
Wednesday 18th March - Year 5 and 6 Small School's County Final for Sportshall Athletics.
Thursday 19th March - Year 4 Celtic Harmony visit.
Friday 27th March - Last day of Spring term.
Monday 13th April - First day of Summer term.
Thursday 16th April - Year 2 visit to Colchester Zoo.
Thursday 16th April - PTFA disco.
Tuesday 5th May - My Future online workshop for Years 4,5,6.
Thursday 7th May - Non-pupil day - school closed to all children.
Friday 8th May - My Future online workshop for Years 1,2,3.
Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May - Year 6 SATS week.
Friday 22nd May - Last day of term before half-term break.
Monday 1st June - All children return to school.
Tuesday 16th June - My Future online workshop for Years 4,5,6.
Thursday 18th June - My Future online workshop for Years 1,2,3.
Friday 19th June - PTFA Father's Day/Someone Special Gifting Room.
Wednesday 8th July - Britten Sinfonia, Tiny Magic Orchestra performance in school.
Friday 17th July - Last day of term.

This Week's Super Star Awards

Archie - Little Scarlet Class
 Henley - Raspberry Class
 Sarah - Damson Class
 George - Apricot Class
 Emma - Cherry Class
 Amari - Blueberry Class
 Jessica - Mulberry Class

This Week's Headteacher Super Star Awards

Remi - Little Scarlet Class
 Daniel - Raspberry Class
 Hendrix - Damson Class
 Mikey - Apricot Class
 Jake - Cherry Class
 Oliver - Blueberry Class
 Stanley - Mulberry Class

Puddle Magazine

The [latest issue of Puddle Magazine](#) is now available online.

It supports families with a dedicated SEN feature from SNAP on using visual supports at home and school, plus a wellbeing feature *Nature Nurtures Happier Kids* by Nigel Grimes.

There are also Essex library activities, affordable family days out this half-term and lots of community listings.

Please click on the link above to view.



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Bikeability

This week, many of our Year 6 children took part in Bikeability sessions. They practised riding safely in the school playground, showing control of the bike and negotiating obstacles, then went out onto the roads to put these skills into practise.



During the sessions, they learnt how to start and stop on road journeys and practised maintaining suitable riding positions in the primary and secondary position. They practised how to safely pass parked vehicles and comply with signs and road markings.

They also looked at different hazards and how to respond to them. They all enjoyed these sessions and learnt new skills that will help to keep them safe on the roads.

Well done all of you for your concentration and focus this week.

OPAL Star this week

Lachlan in Raspberry class for embracing all of the OPAL activities and showing enthusiasm every lunchtime. Well done!

Beat the Street Colchester

Colchester is being transformed into a giant game from 11 March until 22 April 2026. Beat the Street is a free, fun, walking, cycling and wheeling game which gets children and their families out and about in the local area, having fun and keeping healthy. The programme has been commissioned by Colchester City Council and is designed to get children and communities moving by helping people to make small changes, such as walking or cycling to school every day, to improve physical and mental health and help embed physical activity into everyday life.

Game cards and joining information will be sent home when we receive them. Game card readers called 'Beat Boxes' will be positioned around Colchester including one outside our school. Players will use contactless game cards to hover over these Beat Boxes as they travel around scoring points. These points will contribute to individual and school leaderboards that can be viewed by visiting www.beatthestreet.me once the game commences. The winning schools will win PE equipment or books for the school.

Letters sent home this week

- * Science Club letter - paper copy to EYFS and KS1.
- * Media Club - paper copy to KS2 children.
- * Half-term homework for Tiptree Garden Show - via email to all.
- * Sportshall Athletics Finals letter - paper copy to selected year 5 and 6 children.
- * Lego club letter - paper copy to years 3 and 4.
- * Chess Club - paper copy to years 5 and 6.
- * Gardening Club letter - paper copy to selected children.
- * Mock SATS week - via email to year 6.
- * RSE policy consultation - via email to all.
- * All In Festival letter - paper copy to selected year 5 and 6 children.