



Dear Parents / Carers,

It was a pleasure to see so many of you this morning at the Harvest Breakfast. Thank you for all of the donations, staff for coming in early to help serve and Mrs Archer for responding to SOS calls for margarine! The donation basket is looking very healthy already for the Women's Refuge. Another busy week for Stambridge children and staff with a highlight on Monday of Beth Higham-Edwards, a percussionist who came in to work with the children and staff, playing memory games through songs and rhythms, creating stories and listening to and interpreting music. A fantastic afternoon.

It is with a heavy heart that we are bidding farewell to Miss McDonald, our wonderful Early Years assistant, today. It is always tough when members of staff move on, but particularly in a small school. We will miss her terribly. Miss McDonald is taking the first step to her dream job of becoming a midwife and has secured a job as an assistant on a midwifery ward in a Surrey hospital. We all wish her the best and I know particularly members of Turtle Class will miss her. Thank you so much for your dedication, hard-work and cheery nature Miss McDonald. Ms Starkey will be joining us as our new Early Years assistant next week.

Have a great weekend. Mrs James

Best attendance of the week goes to
Octopus with 98.57%
Whole school attendance: 95.73%
(target 97%)

Year 6 Enterprise Day



This week our Year 6 children visited KES to take part in an Enterprise Event. They worked with children from different schools and designed and created shoes. They had a fantastic day, worked incredibly hard and were a credit to the school.
Well done Vera, Phoebe, Finley & Harley.

Pen Licence

Well done Junior

Please remember that parents should not access the classroom area in the main building. Please see Ms Maynard, at reception, if you have any queries or to pass a message to the class teacher.
Thank you for your understanding.

Harvest Collection Reminder

Please send in tea, biscuits and toiletries for our collection for Changing Pathway – a local women's refuge. We will deliver these to the refuge next Friday.

Daily Mile

101 miles this week
Well done. We are on our way to Edinburgh.

Stars of the Week

Crab – Dylan

Turtle - Harvy

Octopus - John

Nautilus - Phoebe

Writer of the week – Fraya and Lacey

Mathematician of the week – Keira and Harley

This weeks 100% attendance with no late mark.

Elliott, Jack H, Robbie and Lillyann



Golds this week Vera-Lee for showing exceptional kindness. Harley, Finley, Vera-Lee & Phoebe for being fabulous role models.

Breaking News..... George C has been awarded platinum for persistence.

Trust news

Request for parent forum members to discuss the additional non pupil days last term we received some representations from parents at hilltop Junior regarding the additional 6 days which the Trust was using for training and development for staff. A survey was sent out (the results of which are below).

We will be holding a meeting for parents to share thoughts on views on this as well as give further information on the rationale behind the decision on 26th September at 6pm at Hearts House on Mount road SS11 8HE in Wickford. We are inviting 3 parents from each school to attend. If you are interested then please forward your name and school via email to Penny Partridge (admin@heartsacademy.uk). You will then be notified if you are one of the first three people to request attendance. Please note that only those previously registered to attend will be allowed to attend. If you have any views that you would like taken into consideration and can't attend please forward to your school via the school administration address. You will be aware that we surveyed parents about the new term dates; the responses are as follows:

Do you know about financial issues facing schools?	Yes 78%
	No 22 %
Would you support the school in managing these issues through the proposed training model?	Yes 80%
	No 20%
Would this present you with difficulties if it was agreed?	Yes 40%
	No 60%

Upcoming dates

Tuesday 26th September – Parent council meeting – 2pm
Friday 29th September - Essex fire & rescue workshop Year 1&2
Thursday 5th October - V.E day street party lunch – attached to the newsletter
Friday 6th October – Harvest Festival (letter to follow)
Next week SCHOOL DINNER MENU – Week 1

Head Boy and Girl corner

This year we are looking forward to working with the School Council and Ambassadors and having responsibilities of making the School even better.

Bella and Finley ☺

Year 6
Enterprise day
at KES



Forest School

