

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026

**“That they may have life in all its fullness”**

Dear Parents,

As we begin one of the busiest half terms of the academic year, we would like to share some of the highlights and achievements from the past two weeks. It has been a busy and exciting start to the term, with lots of wonderful learning taking place.

### **Collective Worship:**

This week Mrs Hatch and Mrs Hopkinson explored the story of God rejecting Saul as King and discussed Saul’s mistakes. The children reflected on the importance of obedience, honesty, and taking responsibility for our actions. We also considered how making the right choices can sometimes be difficult, especially when influenced by others, and how saying sorry and learning from our mistakes helps us to grow.



### **Year 6 Leavers’ service**

The Year 6s enjoyed a morning at Chelmsford Cathedral for a Year 6 Leavers’ service. They joined other schools from across the diocese in celebrating their time at primary school. The theme of the sessions was trees: primary school has allowed the children to establish healthy roots, and they are now ready to grow and branch out as they transition to secondary school. The children took part in four different activities that allowed them to reflect on this important time in their lives before taking part in a service, led by the Bishop of Chelmsford, Bishop Guli.



### **Library:**

A special thank you and recognition must go to Eryn and Sadie in Minnows Class, who have been litter picking in their own time to raise money for the refurbishment of our school library. This is something the girls chose to do themselves, and we are incredibly proud of their kindness, initiative and commitment to helping others.



It is wonderful to see our pupils carrying out such selfless acts to support our school community. Although the library floor has been restored, the money raised will help us continue to transform our library into a warm, cosy and inviting space that can be enjoyed by all of our children. Thank you Eryn and Sadie for making such a positive difference!

<https://gofund.me/f95bb246b>

## **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Mrs Raven and her family on the arrival of their beautiful baby girl. We are delighted to share this wonderful news and send our very best wishes as they enjoy this special time together.

## **Key dates for Summer 2**

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June- Aerozone (Minnows and Frogs)

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June- Crucial crew Y6

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Class and whole school photos

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June- Minnows Saffron Walden trip

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June- Food and farming day (Newts and KFs)

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – KS2 Athletics event Carver Barracks

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June- Great athlete assembly

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> pm- Transition afternoon and new Ducklings stay and play. JFAN, H&E, and SWCH transition day.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June- Magistrate visit- Kingfishers

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June- Kingfishers Forest school

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June-Botanic Gardens Ducklings and Minnows

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June- Y3/4 Orienteering

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Skipping workshop (all children)

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July- Sports Day (afternoon)

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July- Athletics @ JFAN Ducklings, Minnows and Dragonflies 09.30-11.30

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July- Kingfishers performance (afternoon)

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July- Frozen @JFAN Y4,5,6

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June- Kingfishers evening performance

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July- Summer fete after school

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July- Ducklings pirate day

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July- Minnows class assembly

12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> July- Y6 residential

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Last Day of Summer Term

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind Regards,

Sarah Bailey

Headteacher

**Are you a parent/caregiver looking for effective ways to help your young person navigate anxiety and manage big emotions?**

**The Mental Health Support Team can offer sessions during the Summer Holidays**



**Sessions are FREE**

**Sessions are with you to support your young person**  
**Sessions are online or face to face.**

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### **Symptoms of Anxiety**

- Worrying or having negative thoughts
- Experiencing lots of fears
- Tearfulness
- Difficulty concentrating
- Becoming angry or irritable
- Clingy
- Feeling unwell; constant stomach ache, feeling sick

### **Symptoms of Challenging Behaviour**

- Having lots of angry outbursts or 'tantrums'
- Ignoring or refusing to follow requests
- Verbal aggression e.g. shouting, swearing
- Physical aggression e.g. hitting, biting
- Damaging things
- Excessive anger when not getting their own way