

Feering Newsletter

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Friday 17th April 2026

Dear Parents

Welcome back from the Easter Break.

Alongside this newsletter, you will receive a class dojo message with the home-based learning for reading and maths for the summer term. We cannot express enough how much work on these contributes to your child's progress. Just a reminder, that this delivery method, as opposed to fixed paper-based tasks, has been designed to fit around often busy lifestyles. It encourages a "little and often" approach to skill practice and aids in the recall of both working methods and elements of the curriculum, such as times tables and number bonds.

In addition to these, please do take advantage of the school's Times Tables Rockstars Membership.

For children in Year 6 we are also linking the BBC Bitesize activities, games and video access. These are a great way to support children in the final month before the tests. Any children in Year 5 who want to explore these ahead of next year can obviously use the links too.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrybvk7?dm_i=3YNL,1S5W3,41XC5C,71ZTA,1,0,0,0#zx9smbk

Congratulations to all the parents who supported our travelling book fair, your purchases earned the school £556.90 worth of books for the children to enjoy, thank you.

Warm regards

Bridgette Cough
Headteacher

Pupil of the Week

27th March

17th April

Puffling -	Puffling Class	Olivia B
Ring Tailed Lemur –	Fleur	Daisy
Blue Whale –	Amber	Tilly
Falcon –	Edith Z	Henry P
Peacock –	Finn	Connie

Sports Cup

Xanthe Rosie H

Going for Green

Ollie G Daisy

Birthdays in April

Betsy	Tilly
Ivy	Rosie H
Albert	Rosie M
Henry P	Harry T
Finley T	Tommy W
Arlo N	Robert Benjamin E



Birthday Lunch News

We're excited to share that our Birthday Lunches rollout is proving popular! To ensure we can continue to offer home cooked prepared from scratch lunches and this offer, we have decided to limit this special provision to Tuesdays and Fridays moving forward. Any pre-booked lunches on alternative days will still be honoured, but future bookings will only be available on these designated days.

Birthday lunches are a wonderful and affordable way to celebrate your child's birthday with their school friends. If you would like to request a booking form, please don't hesitate to ask your child's teacher or the school office.

Working Party Request

We are keen to begin work on a new playground project aimed at enhancing our outdoor space for the children. To make this vision a reality, we would love to tap into the skills of our parent community. Do any of our parents have experience in building or groundwork? Your skills could be invaluable in helping us. We would like to utilise skills and gather a working party.

If you're interested in lending a hand or have any questions, please get in touch.

Collective Worship: Theme for this week

This week, our theme for Collective Worship has centred around one of our learning for life behaviours - Don't Give Up. We have explored the ideas of perseverance and self-belief. We explored the importance of having patience with ourselves as we learn, using the story Stuck to highlight how mistakes made can guide us towards the better solutions. It was essential to recognise that errors were a natural part of being human.

Additionally, we discussed the significance of supporting one another in keeping at a goal, inspired by 'Jabari Jumps'. This illustrated how family members, friends and community members encouraging each other to achieve their goals is so supportive, Christians can see God as a cheerleader in their lives in the same way.

As a starting point for one session the children watched the clip of Derek Redmond aided by his father to cross the finish line in the 400-metre semi-final at the 1992 Barcelona Summer Olympics. After Derek tore his hamstring halfway through the race, his father ran from the stands, bypassed security, and supported him as he hobbled to the finish line in a display of perseverance, emphasising the importance of faith in our journeys.

FEERING CHURCH SERVICE SUNDAY 19 APRIL at 10.00 am

ALL-AGE SERVICE - Jesus and 'Doubting Thomas'

Have you ever doubted or been unsure of something? Come and find out how the disciple Thomas reacted when he heard that Jesus was alive again. And then find out when he met Jesus again...

An informal, lively and interactive service for adults and children, lasting about half an hour, followed by delicious home-made refreshments.

All welcome!

For more info please contact the **Rev. Canon Simon Garwood, Priest-in-Charge**
simongarwood-62@outlook.com & 01376 573701

Local Tennis Talent Scouting Event...

Tennislessons4u are running an exciting tennis event for children born in 2020 and 2021. It is a fun talent ID day where your child can give tennis a go with the opportunity to be selected for the Essex Tennis pathway program run at Earls Colne Tennis Club. The free taster event will be held on 18th April at Earls Colne Tennis Club from 2-3pm, you can book on here:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/NALedkkaw4?origin=lprLink>

Important Information - Chickenpox

We want to reach out about the recent rise in chickenpox cases affecting not only our community but also the locality. It's essential for us to support ensuring everyone is informed. If you're pregnant and have not previously had chickenpox, please make sure to inform your midwife or GP if you suspect any exposure. They will arrange for a blood test to check your immunity, which is crucial for your and your baby's health. Additionally, keep in mind that shingles, caused by the same virus, poses a risk to those who have never had chickenpox, especially after close contact with a shingles case.

If your child contracts chickenpox, they should remain at home until all blisters have crusted over, which usually occurs within five days after the rash starts. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation in minimising the spread of the virus.

Happy Shoes Day (Tuesday 28th April)

Children can wear any shoes that make them happy for the day. As colourful and bright as you wish or simply as comfortable as you can get in slippers or cros. We are asking for a donation of 50p or a £1 if you can for the children to take part. Funds raised will be used to support various well-being supportive projects in school. These include the arts and extending outdoor activity.

Your PTA Needs You

Our wonderful PTA has reached out with a heartfelt plea for your support. While some of you have generously offered to help with events, we are still in desperate need of new committee members and additional volunteers to take on roles that are vital for our activities. Without these key positions filled, the PTA will struggle to continue raising the much-needed funds that contribute to the extras we all cherish and to organise the fantastic events that bring joy to our children.

The work of the PTA truly makes a difference, not just through the funds raised for enriching experiences, but also by creating memorable moments such as our lively school discos and the much-anticipated annual Christmas Pantomime. If you can spare some time to help, please do get in touch. Your support is invaluable to us and to our children!

Thank you for considering this opportunity to make a positive impact

Happy School Bag

Thank you for supporting the Happy School Bag Collection your donations raised
£65.20

Stay Safe in the Sun!

With the recent warmer weather over the school break, it's important to keep our pupils safe while they enjoy outdoor activities. Remember to send your children to school with sun hats and apply sun cream at home before they leave — it's worth noting that there are long-lasting types now available, providing up to 8 hours of protection. This is particularly relevant for our EY pupils who may be using the outside space for their learning, giving them the ability to spend an extended amount of time outside.

As lunchtimes are spent outside and shade can be limited, please ensure your child has a water bottle to stay hydrated throughout the day. Keeping these tips in mind will help everyone make the most of the sunny weather while staying safe. Letting us enjoy the sunshine responsibly.