



Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,

Earlier this week I met with the Governing Body to discuss the way forward with the congestion around the school in the morning. We had many discussions and a working party has been set up to look at a number of options such as a 'Walking Bus' and a 'Park and Stride' arrangement. Once these options have been explored and a final decision made I will share the final plan with you. In the meantime please take care when driving to school in the morning and be considerate to our neighbours. If you have any further ideas or suggestions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

On Wednesday the children in the school council visited the Mayor of Thurrock, Sue Gray, at the Council Chambers at the Civic Offices in Grays. The children had a great time learning about the role of the Mayor and trying on lots of different items of clothing (see picture). They even had the chance to hold a school council meeting in the chamber itself. I am pleased to report that the children were a credit to the school and the Mayor commented on the children's impeccable behaviour.





Throughout the week I have carried out a review of teaching and learning across Key Stage 2. This was alongside other members of the Senior Leadership Team and Mrs Green & Mrs Livingstone (Phase Leaders). This monitoring forms a vital part of school improvement to ensure teaching and learning is the best it can possibly be at Arthur Bugler. Key staff have visited lessons, looked at the children's books and talked to children about a number of aspects of school life. Once again there were lots of positive outcomes and some areas that we need to work on as a school to get even better than we already are.

Have a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely,

J. A. Bryant
Headteacher

	This week the Attendance Bears have been awarded to			
	KS1	Class 1	Miss Pugh	96.7%
	KS2	Class 14	Mrs Lloyd-Thomas/ Mr Thomas	96.7%
	Congratulations to both classes!			
	Whole School Attendance		93.6%	

	Silver Headteacher Award
	Today I presented the very first Silver Headteacher Award to Joshua Cartlidge (Class 6) for receiving 10 Headteacher Awards. He is now the proud owner of a pen to go with his ruler. Well done Joshua!



Bronze Headteacher Award

Today I presented 5 Bronze Headteacher Awards and a special ruler for earning 5 Headteacher Awards to Dylan Townsend, Nathan Gill-Cogan, Thomas Newins, Louisa Pond and Yasmin Khan. Well done to everyone!



SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS IS BACK FOR 2016

We will again be collecting the vouchers issued from 27th January to 3rd May. These help us to provide additional sports and cooking resources for the children. The collection box is located in the reception area. Thank you for supporting us in this.



Race Night

Tomorrow Night!!!

Please come along and support the PTA Race Night – tickets will be available on the door. Doors open at 6.30pm and the fun starts at 7.00pm.



Football

Last week all of the football teams were in action. The results were as follows:

Boys' A Team lost 3-2 against Eat Tilbury
Boys' B Team lost 3-0 against Little Thurrock
Girls Team drew 1-1 against East Tilbury

Lots of the teams are in action again tonight – good luck to everyone involved.



Essex Sports

Congratulations to Freddie Westcott-Price, Dylan Nastri and Sophie Nugent who represented the school and Essex at the regional sports hall athletics competition in Hertfordshire last weekend. They all took part in a number of events and competed against some tough competition. Well done to all of the children!



Milk Bottle Tops

Don't forget that we are collecting plastic milk bottle lids for Help for Heroes. The lids are used in the joints of prosthetic arms and legs once they have been melted down. The charity helps hundreds of servicemen and women who have lost limbs. If you can keep your plastic milk bottle tops and hand them into the office, Joshua will then collect these and pass them on. Thank you for your support.

WALK TO SCHOOL



Walking To School

In light of the issues around congestion in the morning we are trying to encourage as many parents as possible to walk to school with their children. Walking is a fantastic activity for you and your children. It's free, you can be spontaneous, and it's a great way to spend quality time together. Getting children walking from a young age is an investment for life, developing road awareness in time for independent walking as a teenager, and creating good habits for an active life as an adult. In order to encourage more walking the school will be taking part in a walking scheme on Wednesday in order to promote this activity.



New dates For Your Diary

Please note the following:

- Wednesday 24th February – Year 1/2 Maths Workshops (2pm)
- Thursday 25th February – Early Years Maths Workshop (2pm)
- Monday 7th March – Year 3/4 Maths Workshop (2pm)
- Tuesday 8th March – Year 5/6 Maths Workshop (2pm)

I have added these to the 'Diary Dates' document which is on the current school website (www.arthurbedglerprimary.com)



WICKED – APOLLO VICTORIA THEATRE

I have been asked to let you know there is only 1 more ticket available for the production of Wicked. Parents/Carers who have purchased tickets will be contacted soon to make arrangements for collection.



LETTERS SENT HOME / E-MAILED THIS WEEK

- World Book Week Letter – All Years – 3rd February
- E-Safety Letter – Year 6 – 4th February

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES...



February

Friday 5 th	Year 6 PGL Payment of £50 due (July 2016 Trip)
Saturday 6 th	Race Night (Doors open at 6.30pm)
Tuesday 9 th	Safer Internet Day
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Thursday 11 th	SEN Coffee Morning (9am)
Friday 12 th	Year 5 PGL Payment of £45 due (September 2016 Trip)
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th	Holiday

Monday 22 nd	Return to School
Wednesday 24 th	Year 1/2 Maths Workshops (2pm)
Thursday 25 th	Early Years Maths Workshop (2pm)
Monday 29 th – Friday 4 th March	Book Week
March	
Tuesday 1 st	St David's Day
	Book Work Workshop with the 'Pantobus'
Wednesday 2 nd	Book Work Workshop with the 'Pantobus'
	Bedtime Stories
	Early Years / KS1 4.30 – 5.430 KS2 – 5.15 – 6.15
Thursday 3 rd	World Book Day (Non Uniform Day)
Monday 7 th	Year 3/4 Maths Workshop (2pm)
Tuesday 8 th	Year 5/6 Maths Workshop (2pm)
Thursday 10 th	SEN Coffee Morning (9am)
	Year 5 Walk Online Roadshow (PM)
Friday 11 th	PTA Quiz Night
Wednesday 16 th	NON PUPIL DAY
	Parent Consultations (9am – 7pm)
	Art Exhibition in School (More information to follow)