



Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,



This week the children have focused on being safe in aspects of their life. Assemblies have focused on being safe at school, home and when online. In class the children spent time discussing this and they also had the opportunity to design and create a key ring with some key messages on. The children in Years 1 to 6 wrote poems about being safe and these will be judged and winners announced after half term.

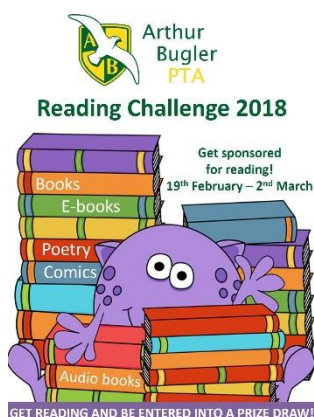
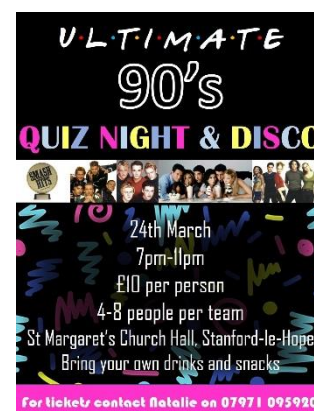


On Wednesday the children in Years 3 – 6 took part in an e-safety session with EST E-Safety. As ever, this was a very informative session and it was clear that the children know a lot about using the many different devices but they don't always feel that they can tell someone when they are worried about something they have seen or heard. I was also delighted to see 68 people at the parent/carer information session. Once again, it was very informative and an important session to ensure that we do everything we can to educate our children about keeping safe online.

Last Friday Mrs Fenner took a Swimming Team to the Thurrock Swimming Gala and this was the first time we have entered this competition. All of the children had a fantastic time and represented the school to the best possible standard. Once all the scores from the 3 events across the day were added up Arthur Bugler finished 8th out of 12 schools. Well done to everyone involved!

The PTA have been organising their next events and they are as follows:

QUIZ NIGHT - Bored of the same old quiz nights? Then come along to St Margaret's Church Hall on 24th March from 7pm and dazzle us with your vast knowledge of all things 90's! From boy bands to Friends, chick flicks and even a Smash Hits Poll Winners Party round. We promise you a night you won't forget! All this, plus a 90's disco after the quiz! Please bring your own drinks and snacks.



READING CHALLENGE - The PTA is once again running a Reading Challenge for two weeks after half term! Our challenge is simple - children read for fun and are sponsored by family and friends. The money raised will go towards books and reading resources for the school and will benefit all of the children at Arthur Bugler. There will be a prize for a child in each year group for taking part – names will be drawn at random from those participating. Look out for your child's sponsor form which will be sent home before the half term break. We hope you will support us in our latest fundraising effort! But most of all we hope the children enjoy reading for pleasure and we look forward to hearing all about it in the coming weeks. Happy reading!

Have a lovely weekend!

J. A. Bryant
Headteacher



This week the **Attendance Trophies** have been awarded to

KS1

Class 5

Mrs Cooper

97.67 %

KS2

Class 13&14

**Mr Simmonds &
Mr Heard**

99.33 %

Congratulations to all classes!

Whole School Attendance

95.5 %



Silver Headteacher Award

Today I presented 4 Silver Headteacher Awards to Alfie Gradley, Alfie Cox, Humaira Hussain and Maggie Maskell for receiving 10 Headteacher Awards. They are now the proud owner of a pen to go with their pencil. Well done to all of the children!



Bronze Headteacher Award

This week I presented 20 Bronze Headteacher Awards to Tom Jameson-Wright, Bobby Bone, Olivia Beard, Olivia Brotherwood, Stanley Fogarty, Billy Tomkins, Sam Goodrum, Henry McCartney, Eden Oduwole, Charlie Gore, Daisy Beattie, Ella-Mai Roachford, Gabriella Coughlan, Lucy McCaul, Millie Franklin, Zak Newbury, Florence Harris and Darius Mateescu. They collected their sticker and pencil in assembly. Congratulations to all of them!



Children coming into school Late


This week the amount of learning time lost by 13 children combined was 4 hours and 15 minutes.


Children can enter school from 8.30am and there are some learning activities for them to carry out the moment they enter class. Registration closes at 8.55am and the first lesson starts at 8.55am. If children are late they potentially miss the start of the learning process and over time this can mount up.





Mode Shift Stars – Gold Award

I am pleased to announce that the school has been awarded the Mode Shift Stars GOLD AWARD!!! This is for schools that have excelled with promoting sustainable travel and achieved a noticeable reduction in car use on the journey to school by fully embracing sustainable travel as the norm throughout the entire school community. We are now only 1 of 2 schools in Thurrock to be awarded such a prestigious award.

	<p>Get Caught Reading</p> <p>We have updated the Reading display, therefore we need new photos of the children displaying their reading skills. You can be as creative as you wish. We will be collecting photos up to 'World Book Day' which takes place in March and we will be presenting prizes for the best photos.</p> <p>Please send all photos to admin.abp@stcleres.coop</p>
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	<p>Lost Property</p> <p>Today is the last day to check for any lost property (large green tub under the canopy, by the car drop-off point) for any lost items. It is still overflowing with various items of clothing, coats, lunchboxes etc. Anything left in the tub will be disposed off during the half term.</p>
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES...		
February		
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th	Holiday	
Monday 19 th	Return to school	
Monday 26 th – Friday 2 nd March	Reading & Writing Week	
March		
Thursday 1 st	St. David's Day	
	World Book Day (Dress as a book character)	
	Year 5 IOW Meeting (April 2018 Trip) (time to be confirmed)	

Friday 9 th	PTA Mother's Day Gift
Monday 12 th	EYFS Mother's Day Activity Afternoon (PM)
Thursday 15 th	SEND Coffee Morning (9am)
Friday 16 th	St Patrick's Day
Monday 19 th – Friday 23 rd	Science Week
Wednesday 21 st	Parent Consultations (3.30pm – 7pm)
Thursday 22 nd	Parent Consultations (3.30pm – 7pm)
Friday 23 rd	Year 5 IOW Remaining Balance due (April 2018 Trip)
Saturday 24 th	PTA 90's Quiz Night (7pm)
Tuesday 27 th	KS1 Easter Celebrations
	KS1 Class Parties (PM)
	Easter Bonnet Parade (2.20pm)
	KS2 Discos (Time TBC)
Wednesday 28 th	KS2 Easter Celebrations
Thursday 29 th	Year 4 Easter Performance (2.30pm)
	Last Day of Term
Friday 30 th	Good Friday – School Closed