Friday 23rd October 2026

# NEWSLETTER

"Nurturing every little acorn to become a mighty oak!"




Resilience
Courage
Compassion
Responsibility

## Mrs Burrell's Bulletin

**Proud to be White Court!**

What a week! As you know, we welcomed Ofsted inspectors into school this week and I wanted to take a moment to say a few very important thank yous. Firstly, to our incredible children, who were their usual wonderful selves! They spoke so confidently and enthusiastically to the inspectors about their school, their learning and all the things that make White Court special. We couldn't have been prouder of them. To our amazing staff, thank you for doing what you do every single day - going above and beyond to give our children the very best. And to our wonderful families, thank you for the lovely feedback and messages of support. It really does mean so much.

We were delighted with the feedback shared by inspectors at the end of their visit. It was particularly lovely that they recognised our inclusive culture and how our children are thriving across the curriculum, things that sit right at the heart of everything we do. And, of course, a special mention must go to Dougie, who took his important role of keeping everyone's spirits up very seriously! Plenty of cuddles, wagging tails and smiles all round - we're not entirely sure how we would have managed without him!

We will share the official report with you as soon as we are able, but for now, I simply want to say how incredibly proud I am of our whole White Court family.

Have a wonderful, well earned half term break!

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## We're recruiting!

We're looking for a First Aid Specialist to join our wonderful midday team and help keep our children safe, happy and cared for.

CLICK HERE for details of the vacancy

## Parent tours...

### Parking – please put children's safety first

We continue to receive a worrying number of complaints from parents and local residents about unsafe and inconsiderate parking around our school. Cars mounting kerbs, blocking pavements and, most recently, parking on the green opposite school are just some of the examples being reported.No parking space is worth putting a child's safety at risk. Pavements must remain clear for children, families and pushchairs, and our neighbours deserve to be treated with consideration and respect. We appreciate that mornings and afternoons can be busy, but please allow a little extra time and park safely and legally, even if that means walking a little further. We urge anyone witnessing dangerous or illegal parking to report it to the appropriate authorities. Keeping our children safe is everyone's responsibility, and we really do need your support to make a difference. Reporting unsafe parking: Please report parking violations to the North Essex Parking Partnership, obstructive parking through Braintree District Council, or dangerous parking to Essex Police.

# School Achievements

## Mighty Oak Awards

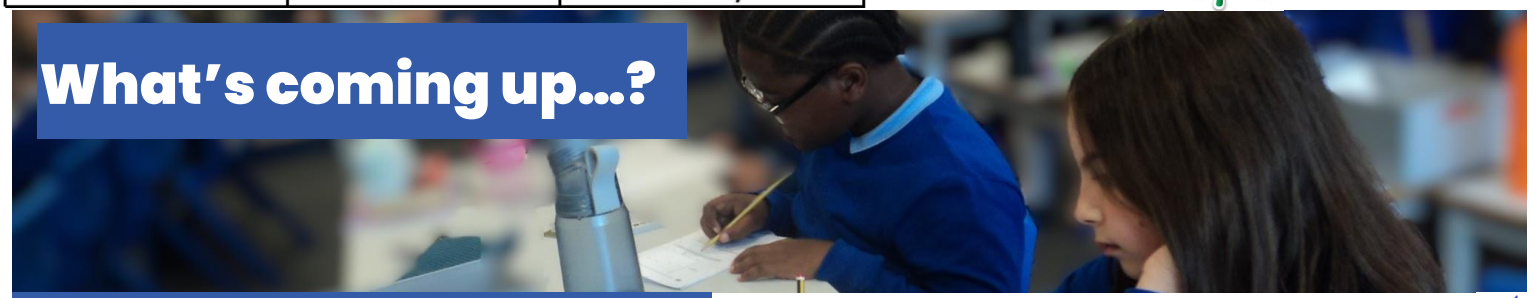
Here are the winners of our White Court 'Mighty Oak' awards…

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| **Tigers** Freddie C | **Kangaroos** Mylo H | **Ducks** Rose B |
| **Puffins** Lisa L | **Manatees** Parker C | **Turtles** Louis C |
| **Otters** Connie S | | **Koalas** Max S |
| **Toucans** Austin A | **Chameleons** Arthur S | **Octopus** Hajra K |
| **Sloths** Felicity K | **Flamingos** Emilia-Rose C | **Pandas** Yoana L |
| **Chimps** Charlie B | **Bears** Sam C | **Lobster** Charlie B |
| **Racoons** Charlie D | **Eagles** Austin F | **Ocelots** Teddy B |




## Outdoor Play And Learning

Please remember to send a pair of wellies (named) in with your child. This way they can experience our OPAL areas all year round!



# What's coming up...?

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

**NOVEMBER**
2nd - INSET Day
9th - Pedestrian road safety training - Year 5/FS
10th - WW2 Day Year 6
13th - Flu Vaccination ( All day)
16th - Odd Sock Day (Anti-Bullying Week)
16th - Viking Day Year 5
17th - Year 3 Stone Age Day
19th - Florence Nightingale day Year 2
23rd - Year 6 Parent Event
24th - ACL - Positive Parenting - 1pm
26th - Year 4 Greek Day

## Community Page (Click here)

Please visit our community page.
Here you will find fliers for events and clubs in the local area, currently including:

- A year 6 girls football team looking for new players click here
- Activity Camp in October half term click here
- NEW - Essex Fire Museum Open Day Click here
- NEW - FPG October Football Camp click here
- NEW - Bikeability Courses in October Half Term click here.
- NEW - FITC October Football camp click here
- NEW Coding Club at Braintree Library Click here
- Futsal sessions for girls in Year 5/6. Click here
- Report dangerous parking here
- Snackanory Toddler Group click here
- Free **Cooking** Classes! click here
- Click here for a fabulous **SEND** resource to support parents and carers
- Information regarding e-scooters
- Glurbs app to learn languages at home!
- ...and much, much more!

# Aspiration week!

We had a fantastic time celebrating Aspirations Week in school. We enjoyed listening to visitors who work in a wide range of fields, learning about their jobs, what their roles involve and the equipment they use in their day to day work.

We really enjoyed learning about the exciting opportunities and career paths available to us.

A huge thank you to all of the volunteers who gave up their valuable time to come into school and share their knowledge, experiences and enthusiasm with us. We really appreciate your support in inspiring our pupils and helping them to think about their futures.






## Thank you for your recent contributions:

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# Community Events...

*At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them*



**All residents are invited to the**



## Service of Remembrance

**Sunday 8th November 2026 at**

**12 Noon**

**on the Village Green behind the Notley Green Community Hall, CM77 7US**

**Food and drink to be served afterwards in the Notley Green Community Centre hall, courtesy of the Notley Green Community Association, with refreshments provided courtesy of the Tesco store and served by WINGs**

**Please note that, at the request of some residents, we are again laying a wreath and also observing the national silence at 11am at the American Hospital Memorial on Windermere Drive.**

**Residents are welcome to join either or both gatherings.**



Great Notley Parish Council

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