

#### Celebration Awards Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Jet	Beth, Jacob
Topaz	Jayden, Michael
Amethyst	Harrison A, Freya
Opal	Emilia-Rose, Isabella
Diamond	Gracie, Ellie
Sapphire	Whole class
Emerald	Alan
Ruby	Tipper
Moonstone	Noah

## Sapphire Class Assembly

Well done to Sapphire class for sharing their learning with us. We saw some wonderful work and learnt lots of facts from the 'raps' the children sang. The children have thoroughly enjoyed their topic of Deep, Down Discoveries. Keep up the great work Sapphire class.

# **Parent/Carer Evenings**

It was great to see so many parents and carers during the two parent evenings. If you were not able to come, please talk to your child's class teacher who will be happy to make another appointment. It is extremely important that the children are able to share their learning with you and to see that you are interested in what goes on at school.

### **School Council News**

The class reps have been very busy with Mrs Farr transforming the library from a jungle to a space theme. Lots of children enjoyed looking at books in there during parent's evening. They have had a joint meeting with the class reps from the junior school and decided to hold a joint cake sale to raise money for an animal charity in Australia following the recent fires. <u>https://www.friendsofaustralianwildlife.o</u> rg.uk/

In total we raised £258.98 and with the junior's sale raising £173, we will be sending off a cheque for £431.98. Thank you for your support. The children have also decided that they would like to change the names of the classes. They have consulted with the children in their classes and after a long democratic process have come up with a list of new names. The children have given me, Mrs Easton, the names and I am consulting with teachers on their behalf. We hope to be able to announce the new names soon. Watch this space!

### **Maths Workshops**

Thank you to all the parents and carers

that were able to come to the Maths workshops this week. We hope you found the information helpful.



Please talk to class teachers if you need any help or advice on supporting your child at home, we are always happy to help. The presentations have been emailed to you. Attendance figures were: Year 2 - 25% Year 1 - 25% Reception - 45%

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# **Easimaths Champs**

The Easimaths top scorer from year 1 is Valton (Diamond) with 4990 points and the top scorer from year 2 is Keelan (Topaz) with 9745 points.

## ESafety Workshops Coming Soon

Mr Crow will be running workshops for parents and carers on internet safety. There will be sign-up sheets in classes if you would like to join us. The workshops will be in the ICT suite on the following days:

Emerald + <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Ruby Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 9.00-9.30am

Moonstone + ½ Ruby Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 9.00-9.30am

**Year 1 + 2** Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2.20-2.50pm

# World Book Day

We thought we would give you lots of time to prepare for World Book Day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. As always we will be inviting children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character.



# **After School Reading**

Please come and support your child's

reading in class. **Reception:** Every day **Year 1**: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday **Year 2:** Tuesday, Thursday, Friday



All sessions run from 2.55pm until 3.15pm. We hope you will be able to join us.

#### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Well done to Topaz class for the best attendance of 98%. The classes with 100% punctuality were Moonstone, Amethyst and Topaz.



# **Tidy Classroom**

Moonstone class won the award for tidy classroom this week. Well done.



## J9 Initiative

Mrs Roach and Mrs Easton recently attended training on Domestic Abuse.

The J9 logo you may see around school, at Braintree Council and in

other establishments nationwide, identifies that place as somewhere



safe where people will listen and help. Domestic abuse affects 1 in 2 women and 1 in 4 men. Please click on the link for an information pack or come in and talk to us.

<u>https://setdab.org/wp-</u> content/uploads/2019/07/J9-Information-Pack-2019.pdf

# **Congratulations Mr Lawn**

I am delighted to announce that Mr Lawn, Headteacher at Alec Hunter Academy, has won the Headteacher of the Year in Secondary Schools at the recent Essex Teaching Awards. He will now go forward, with other winners, to

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the Pearsons Teaching Awards. Good luck Mr Lawn.

# Essex 2020

Essex 2020 was launched on 20<sup>th</sup> January, kicking off a year-long celebration of science, technology, engineering, arts and maths (STEAM). The event brought together trail-blazing innovation and a rich cross-section of arts which together are driving Essex into the new decade and beyond. Please click on the link below to find out what events are going on across Essex.

https://content.govdelivery.com/accoun ts/UKESSEX/bulletins/279293d

# **Family Support**

Sharon's drop-in sessions are from 8.30-9.15am on: Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July

Diary Dates 17.2.20 to 21.2.20 Half Term				
<mark>24.2.20</mark>	Non-Pupil Day	<mark>Day</mark>		
<mark>25.2.20</mark>	Back to school	<mark>8.45am</mark>		
2.3.20-	Book Week in			
6.3.20	school			
4.3.20	Height, weight	AM		
	and vision			
	checks for			

	children in	
	reception	
5.3.20	World Book Day	Day
5.3.20	Governor Curriculum meeting	7.00pm
6.3.20	Jet class assembly parents & carers welcome	9.10- 9.40am
9.3.20	Emerald +1/2 Ruby Esafety workshop	9.00- 9.30am
12.3.20	Moonstone +1/2 Ruby Esafety workshop	9.00- 9.30am
13.3.20	Year 1 + 2 Esafety workshop	9.00- 9.30am
21.3.20	PTFA Easter Egg Hunt	11.00- 1.00pm
24.3.20	Year 2 visit to Colchester Zoo	Day
31.3.20	Reception Dress Rehearsal	9.30am
1.4.20 &	Reception Performance for	2.15- 2.45pm
2.4.20	parents & carers	
3.4.20	Break Up Easter Holidays	3.00pm
20.4.20	Back to School	8.45am
23.4.20	Governor Budget Ratification meeting	8.45am
29.4.20	Class Photos	Day

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26.6.20	Move around	AM
	morning –	
	children meet	
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	teachers	
9.7.20	Governor	7.00pm
	Curriculum	
	meeting	
10.7.20	PTFA Summer	3.30-
	Fete	6.30pm
13.7.20	Year 2 dress	9.15-
	rehearsal	10.00am
14.7.20	Year 2	9.15-
&	performance to	10.00am
15.7.20	parents/carers	
22.7.20	Break Up for	3.00pm
	Summer	

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