**Weekly SchoolComms e-mail – Thursday 14th September 2017**

Dear All,

Please find attached the weekly SchoolComms e-mail. Thank you.

LUNCH MENU FOR W/C 18th September IS WEEK 3.

A reminder that all dinner money must be handed in, on a Monday morning, to the class teacher. The money must be in an envelope, marked with the days the lunches are required, and the child’s name. Thank you.

**ALL**

**Reminder – The Dedham Run Sunday 17th September**

A final reminder that it is The Dedham Run this Sunday. Registration on the day is from 9:00am and the race will start at 11:00am. You can still hand in pre-entries to the school tomorrow at the reduced price of £5 for the 3k race. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

**This afternoon, starting at 5:15pm, we will be packing the goodie bags that the 10K runners will receive. This will be at the Pilates studio in the business centre down Manningtree Road. If you have just a few spare minutes, any help would be greatly appreciated.**

**Important Health & Safety**

In the first 2 weeks of term we have already had a number of complaints regarding parking and also two incidents where children were nearly hurt. Please park considerately and keep off the pavements in order to keep our children safe. Thank you.

**A reminder – Reception Class area before and after school**

Just a reminder for pre-school and school children to stay out of the fenced Reception classroom areas before and after school.

**Summer Read from the library**

Any children who successfully completed the Summer Reading Challenge set through the library service can share their medals in tomorrow’s Celebration Assembly (15.09.17). If they have their medal (not the certificate) then they can also go and see Miss Valentine to collect 5 house points!

**NO Celebration Assembly Friday 22.09.17**

Please note that as it will be an Understanding Christianity day at school there will be no Celebration Assembly Friday 22.09.17.

**Clubs – Monday – Art Club – KS2 (year 3, 4, 5 & 6)**

There is an amendment to the clubs list – the Art Club on a Monday will be for KS2 – years 3, 4, 5 & 6 (not years 1 & 2).

**Parent Group**

**Class Reps**

Thank you to all of you that have come forward to volunteer for the class rep roles this year.  It is very much appreciated.  We are currently in the process of confirming the class reps for class 5.

Your class reps are

**Class R** - Tracy Cooper and Lara Edwards

**Class 1** - Penny Sibthorp, Louise Freeman, Erica Clench

**Class 2** - Cheralyn Hubbard and Melanie Hart

**Class 3** - Emily Evans and Lucy Messer

**Class 4** – Michaela Duffin, Annabel Hull and Louise Jackman

**Class 5** - Katherine Montgomery, Abi Sarton, Lesley Tarrier and Briony Lawton

**Class 6** - Julie Burle, Charlotte Misselbrook and Victoria Baker

The next parent group meeting will be held on **Wednesday 27th September** **at 8pm in The Sun**.  We hope as many of you as possible can make it.

**Dedham Run**

The run committee advises that they still have a need for additional marshals to ensure the run can take place safely.  If you are able to help please contact

**Will Sambrook –** **will@akenham.com**

**07899 984 756**

The parent group will also be running a cake and refreshments stall.  We would be really grateful for any cake donations, these can be dropped off at the school office until Friday or if you are attending the run feel free to bring them on the day.  For anyone who wishes to help but does not enjoying baking or committed with other commitments there is a collection tin at the school office if you wish to donate a small amount so we can buy additional cakes.

Parent group are also looking for any one that could assist us with face painting.  If this is something you can help with please get in touch.

Many Thanks

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**ASM – Free Taster Session for KS1 Multisports Yr 1 & 2**

Next **Tuesday 19th September** ASM are offering a free taster session to Years 1 & 2. Come along and give it a try!

To find out more and to book the after school clubs which we run at our school in partnership with Anglia Sports Management, please visit

http://angliasportsmanagement.com/after-school-activities-2017-priority/

**Reception Class – Admissions for school year 2018/2019**

If you have a child that you will be applying for a school place for year 2018/2019, who has a sibling already in the school, please could you let the school office know. Thank you.

**Tennis Club**

An after school tennis club will be run by Mark Kleingeld, starting Tuesday 19.09.17. Please find attached a form to complete if your child wishes to attend.

**Young Savers Club**

Young Savers starts again next Tuesday morning. Why not think about joining your child and get them in the saving habit.

**When? Every Tuesday**

**Time? 8.30 – 8.50 am**

**Where? Outside Reception**

**Why? To watch your money grow, get used to handling pocket money or to save for something special**

**Who?       All ages welcome**

**Please see attached form for more information about joining or come and chat to the team on a Tuesday morning.**

For more information please contact Katherine Montgomery via the school office.

**E-Safety – (The 2 Johns) – funded by CUBE – 11th October**

Just a reminder to keep the date in your diary. Thank you.

**OTHER**

**Secondary School Admissions**

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened, Tuesday 12 September 2017, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2018.
The statutory national closing date for applications is 31st October 2017.
Applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions). 98% of parents in Essex applied online last year.
The website also has a copy of the Secondary Education in Essex 2018-19 booklet which contains details of all secondary school admission policies. I provide a link to the booklet below.
<http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Admissions/Documents/econdary_Admissions_Booklet.pdf>

**Reception Class School Admissions for September 2018**

Finally, although the primary (Reception) admission round for September 2018 does not open until 13 November 2017 (that is the date from which applications can be made for Reception 2018-19), the relevant booklets have been published and are on the webpage below:

<http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Admissions/Pages/Primary-and-Secondary-Education-in-Essex.aspx>

**Manningtree High School – Transition Events - Year 6 – Year 7**

Please find attached a poster detailing some dates which may be very useful.

**Mercury Theatre, Colchester**

The Mercury Theatre is advertising two family shows for next month: Great Odds (20-21 Oct) and Dinosaur World (23-24 Oct). Please see the Mercury Theatre website for further details.

<https://www.mercurytheatre.co.uk/event/great-odds/>

https://www.mercurytheatre.co.uk/event/dinosaur-world/

**Ipswich School – Open morning Saturday 30th September**

Please find attached a letter regarding the Open Morning on Saturday 30 September at Ipswich School.  The event starts at 9.30am and finishes at 12 noon.

**Fun Palace event @ Manningtree Library**

Please find attached details regarding the Spanish themed Fun Palace event on Saturday 7th Oct 9.30am – 12.30pm. Fun Palaces are free to attend and are created and driven by local people.

Thank you.