



NOTLEY GREEN
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Weekly Update

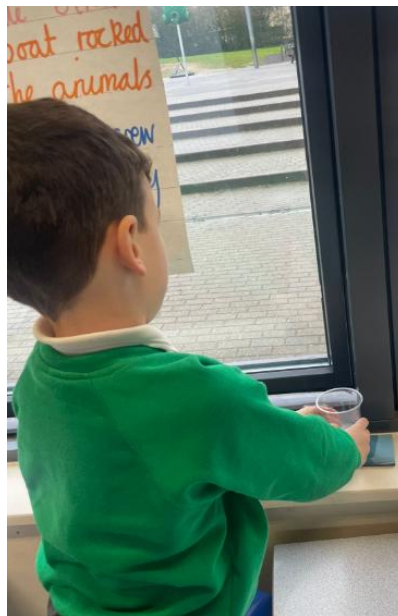
This week we have had a visit from one of our executive trust leaders to complete a safeguarding audit. The school passed with flying colours due to the excellent knowledge of staff and children and the high level of importance that we give safeguarding within our school. A big well done to the team!

Across the school, children have been working on their writing, inspired by *The Last Zookeeper*. I have been incredibly impressed with how high the children are aiming and how diligent they are being with their handwriting, spelling and grammar. They are looking forward to sharing this with you after school on Thursday.

We hope you have a super weekend! Mrs Saward



Pictures: Year 4 have begun experimenting with freezing and melting in their science lessons, keep your eyes peeled for next week's experiments...





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School Notices

Office opening times 8.30am-3.45pm or email: notleygreen@compassps.uk

Correspondence sent home this week



- Year 1 Class Teacher change
- Year 5 Layer Marney Trip
- Updated Menu for Wed 28th and Thursday 29th January
- Parent Governor – (ballot papers have been sent home with children – one letter per family).

General Messages



Message from the School Office

Please remember to keep your contact details up to date. If anything changes, please either update using the MCAS app or email the school office to advise us.

Kitchen

Due to supplier issues, the menu on Wednesday and Thursday need to be swapped. See menu below. There are still no gluten free pizzas – we will keep you informed.

Open Classrooms - Thursday 29 January, 3.20-4.00pm

We would like to invite you to come into school for an informal classroom visit. This will be a chance for you to spend some time celebrating your child's learning with them while looking through their books. The main gate will be manned by a member of SLT and will be the only exit due to clubs being held on the playgrounds. We hope you are able to join us!

National Year of Reading

Did you know that young children whose parents read them five books a day enter primary school having heard about 1.4 million more words than children who were never read to? Reading is a vital opportunity for children to learn new vocabulary and learn about their interests. This week's challenge is to make a comfy space for you to share a story with each other... it could be a den or a cosy pile of blankets and pillows.

Stay Informed: Explore Our PSHE Curriculum

We believe that working together with parents is key to supporting our children's personal development. To help you feel confident and well-informed about the topics and themes your child will be learning this year, we encourage you to read our PSHE curriculum, available on



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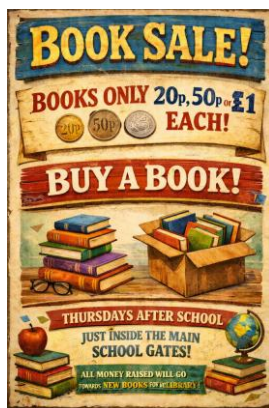
our school website (Policies, SRE). It outlines the important areas we'll cover, from health and wellbeing to relationships and living in the wider world. By familiarising yourself with the curriculum, you'll be better equipped to discuss these themes at home and reinforce positive learning. Please speak with your child's class teacher if you have any questions regarding the content.

[Download.asp](#)
[Notley Green Primary School - Policies](#)

Half Term Golf Camp

Please find to follow a link to a half term golf at Little Channels run by our golf club coach Jack.

[February half term camp \(5 - 14yrs\) at Little Channels Golf Centre, Chelmsford | The School of Golf | Powered by ClassForKids](#)



NEW TO NOTLEY GREEN!

Book Sale

Every Thursday after school, the Year 6 children will be selling books next to the Outdoor Classroom (just inside the main gates).

We have a wonderful selection of books for sale, suitable for EYFS up to Year 6, at a cost of 20p, 50p or £1. We can only accept cash, so please bring any spare change that you have.

All proceeds raised go towards new books for our library and reading activities.



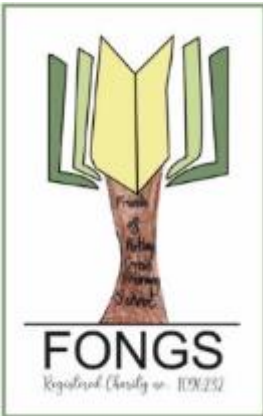
SENCO

On Tuesday we held our SEND Cuppa and Chat session focusing on dyslexia, where we explored the current Essex guidance and shared helpful resources and strategies to support children at home. Although attendance was low, parents had valuable time to chat and reflect on shared challenges.





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	<p>All parents and carers, regardless of their child's needs, are warmly invited to these sessions.</p> <p>I would also really appreciate your feedback on how we can improve our Cuppa and Chats - please take a moment to complete the forms which will be sent out next week</p> <p>Please look out for future meetups so we can continue supporting each other.</p>
Wraparound Care	<u>New Emergency Phone</u> <p>The afterschool club have a new emergency phone for parents to contact should they require this in an emergency, after the school office closes. This is being handed out to parents at pick up time.</p> <p>Please speak to one of the Afterschool Club team if you have not received this yet.</p>
<p>Attendance </p> <p>96%</p> <p>-0.1% Last 7 Days</p>	<p>Consistent attendance is a key ingredient for enabling children to make maximum progress at school and to help them to feel happy and secure. If you feel your child is struggling with emotional barriers, please speak to Mrs Christian or Mrs Reid for guidance and support.</p>
Trip Payment Dates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 5 – Layer Marney – 23rd March• Year 4 – Camping – 30th January (deposit)• Year 3 - Museum of Power – 5th March
FoNGS News  <p>FONGS Registered Charity no. 1199252</p>	<p>Thank you to everyone that helped us with Happy Bag collections this week. We had a huge haul of 741kg so have raised £330 just with your help. The next one is in April, so please keep collecting for us.</p> <p>Thank you so much to everyone that has already donated to our FONGs bin to get us ahead this year. Every donation is a huge help to us whether it's pre-loved uniform, books, unwanted gifts, raffle prizes and anything that we can put to use!</p> <p>We have a jam-packed year so watch this space.</p> <p>Our next events are live ready for some fun in January & February. We look forward to seeing as many of you that can join us.</p>



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	<p>30 January <u>Family Bingo</u> No cash prizes this time with the children joining, but all the Bingo fun and with lots of prizes and games to keep everyone entertained.</p> <p>13 February <u>Valentines Disco</u> This one includes Reception children so book your tickets so they can dance the evening away. They can enjoy some treats and face glitter, but we do have a quiet zone too for those that need a little space, allowing everyone to join in.</p>
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Stars of the week! Well done everybody!

Ducks	<p>Peggy consistently aims high and is an excellent role model to her peers.</p> <p>Tommy has been persevering with his reading and writing and is making excellent progress.</p>
Rabbits	<p>Phoebe has shown perseverance and has tackled independent learning tasks with enthusiasm.</p> <p>Jack is showing increased confidence in all areas and enjoys sharing his ideas with others.</p>
1M	<p>Tommy has been focussing during phonics lessons and applying new graphemes in his writing.</p> <p>Amellia has been a reading superstar this week by reading more at home, gaining fluency and confidence.</p>
1S	<p>Erin has been aiming high and working independently on her writing.</p> <p>Jude has been aiming high with his reading and doing super blending.</p>
2MA	<p>Eden-Marie thoughtfully assessed her writing and worked hard to improve her work.</p> <p>Anthony has tried really hard to use powerful vocabulary in his writing.</p>
2M	<p>Ammbler has been focussed on her learning using models and the success criteria to support her in producing a lovely diary entry.</p> <p>Jack has been Dr Know, showcasing an amazing understanding of fractions $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$.</p>



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3H	<p>Myla has written some fantastic sentences using similes and shown confidence when reading them out the class.</p> <p>Charlotte has aimed high in English and carefully chosen vocabulary when writing similes.</p>
3S	<p>Sophia has written high quality similes which create vivid imagery in the reader's mind.</p> <p>Ava has contributed to class discussions when delving into tricky mathematical calculations.</p>
4C	<p>Damon has shown excellent determination and perseverance with his maths recently, becoming an expert in multiplying by 10 and 100.</p> <p>Max has settled in amazingly at Notley Green, showing his enthusiasm for learning and building strong bonds with his classmates.</p>
4FD	<p>Seren has persevered this week in maths, moving her understanding on using a variety of strategies.</p> <p>Krishni has worked hard at expanding her vocabulary. This week she has applied this in her writing.</p>
5E	<p>George has written a descriptive paragraph using the success criteria.</p> <p>Alex has written a descriptive paragraph using the success criteria.</p>
5CV	<p>Scarlett takes responsibility for her learning, listening to feedback then upgrading her work to make it excellent.</p> <p>Lucas always aims high in his independent work, taking on challenges and persevering until he has mastered them.</p>
6FD	<p>Isla has shown amazing improvement in her handwriting.</p> <p>Maxwell has shown progress in all subjects, especially in his writing.</p>
6G	<p>Ruby-Lou has written a fantastic speech using carefully selected vocabulary.</p> <p>Julyana has independently written a powerful climate change speech using a range of sentence structures.</p>

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MENU

AUTUMN/WINTER 2025 MENU		WEEK 1				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Garlic Bread or Pasta Salad	Beef Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta	Chinese Sticky Lemon Chicken with Wholegrain Rice	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Fish Fingers with Chips
	OPTION 2	BBQ Vegetable Wrap with Potato Wedges	Vegetarian Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta	Cheesy Vegetable Hotpot	Roast Quorn with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Quorn Dippers with Chips
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Penne Pasta
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DELI	OPTION 4	Cheese or Ham Wrap	Cheese or Ham Wrap	Cheese or Ham Wrap	Cheese or Ham Wrap	Cheese or Ham Wrap
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Crunchy Apple Slice	Strawberry Shortcake Mousse	Chocolate Brownie	Oat Cookie	Chocolate Ice Cream

BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY With a choice of toppings
AVAILABLE DAILY Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water
 Vegetarian Vegan Oily Fish Fruity! Wholegrain Nutritionist's Choice

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All menus and allergy Aware Menus are on our website, please click [here](#)

DIARY DATES

	LOCATION/EVENT/TIME
6 January 2026	Return to School
27 January	Year 3 Oral Health Sessions
29 January	Open Classrooms Day (after school)
30 January	FoNGS Family Bingo
3 February	Year 3 Oral Health Sessions (mouth checks)
11 February	FoNGS Bake Sale
13 February	FoNGS Disco
13 February	Dessert Swap – Pancake Day
13 February	Last Day of Term
23 February	Return to School
12 March	Mother's Day Bakery
23 March	SEND Cuppa & Chat 9.00am
23 March	Year 5 Layer Marney Trip
26 March	Year 3 Musuem of Power Trip
27 March	Last Day of Term