



THE PHOENIX

STEWARDS ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

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HEADTEACHER MESSAGE



The end of another year at Stewards has arrived. We can look back on so many amazing things that our school community has done this year and have a sense of joy at so much of this great year in the life of our school.

During the current year students and staff have visited Barcelona, Paris, Normandy, Bletchley Park, Cadbury World, Cambridge University, Harlow College, Anglia Ruskin University, Disneyland Paris, Harry Potter Studios, Hertford Regional College, PAH, Mersea and many places in London including Shoreditch, Canary Wharf, Kew Gardens and Leicester Square. Theatre visits have taken students to see The Phantom of the Opera, Shakespeare Schools Festival, Sleeping Beauty, Hitler on Trial, The Woman in Black, War Horse and Battle of the Bands. Year 11 students have also enjoyed their prom at a local hotel. Giving students the chance to enjoy taking part in educational visits to enrich their education and life is so important as part of the overall education that we provide to our young people at Stewards. We already have a wide-ranging plan for trips in 2026-2027, with some exciting new trips planned to include a trip for year 10 students to the London Eye and for year 7 students to The Tower of London.

As the year comes to an end we say goodbye to some of our colleagues who have chosen to move on to pastures new or to enjoy the benefits of retirement. You will be aware that we have been through a period of staff restructuring at Stewards and across the PCLC Trust in the current school year and this has meant that more staff have left us this year than was the case last year. However, we are now in a stronger financial situation than previously which means we can sustain the educational provision and quality that we have in place. It has been a tough year for everyone, but I am glad we are heading towards September in a better position. We hope to see a better government funding position for education in the future, but we will always work within the funding that we have.

Leaving us this year to go to other schools are Emily Beckett (Spanish teacher and Head of House), Aurelie Morris (French teacher and Head of House), Isaac Tweneboah (Maths teacher) and Sarfarazhusen Subedar (Science teacher), Charlotte Nicholson (Art teacher), Tony Honan (English teacher), Emma Coulson (Assistant Head of House). Stacie Allen (Counsellor) and Pauline Farrel (Place2Be) are moving on to other roles in their fields, while Martin Rew (Science teacher) is retiring after seventeen years teaching at Stewards. Charlotte Easby (Trainee Drama teacher) has completed her year of teacher training at Stewards and is moving for her first permanent teaching job. We are sorry to see all of our colleagues go and wish them all well for the future, whatever that may involve. We have a number of new colleagues joining us in September as we have been able to fill all our teaching vacancies.

I hope that the summer holidays are a joyous time for everyone in the Stewards community. Whether you are enjoying life at home and around Harlow, or off travelling to other places around the country or the world, I hope you have a wonderful time which brings you rest, relaxation and stimulation. Remember to stay safe and we look forward to seeing all our young people return to us in September. Term starts on Wednesday 2nd September for our new year 7s, and then on Thursday 3rd September for years 8 to 11.

Stewards Learner

As we come to the end of another successful academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on what has been a year of progress, achievement and collaboration. On behalf of everyone at Stewards Academy, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our pupils, parents and carers, governors, and staff for their continued support, commitment and hard work throughout the year. The successes we celebrate are only possible because of the strong partnership between home and school, and I am incredibly grateful for the contribution every member of our community has made.

This year has seen many positive developments across the school. One of the most significant has been the continued improvement in behaviour. Our pupils have demonstrated increasing maturity, respect and responsibility, helping to create a calm, purposeful and positive learning environment where everyone can feel safe, valued and able to achieve their best. These improvements have not happened by chance; they are the result of the high expectations shared by staff, the support provided by parents and carers, and the commitment shown by our pupils every day.

We have also been delighted to see a significant reduction in the number of pupils arriving late to school and lessons. Good attendance and punctuality are essential to success, and it has been encouraging to see so many pupils recognising the importance of being in the right place, at the right time, ready to learn. Thank you to our families for supporting this improvement and reinforcing the importance of punctuality. Working together has made a real difference, and the benefits are evident throughout the school.

Alongside these improvements, our pupils have continued to achieve success both inside and outside the classroom. Whether through academic achievement, sporting success, performing arts, community projects or personal development, they have represented the school with pride and demonstrated the values that make our school community so special. We are proud not only of what our pupils achieve, but also of the kindness, resilience and determination they show every day.

I am equally grateful to our parents and carers for the trust they place in us and for the invaluable role they play in supporting their children's education. Education is most successful when schools and families work together, and your support is greatly appreciated.

To our Year 11 students, congratulations on reaching the end of this important stage of your education. You have worked incredibly hard, shown resilience through challenges and embraced the opportunities available to you. As you move on to further education, apprenticeships or training, we hope you do so with confidence and ambition. We are proud of everything you have achieved during your time at our school and look forward to hearing about your future successes. Remember that you will always be a valued part of our school community, and we wish each of you every happiness and success in the years ahead.

As another academic year draws to a close, I hope the summer break provides everyone with an opportunity to relax, recharge and spend quality time with family and friends. Whether you are travelling, enjoying time at home or simply taking a well-earned rest, I hope you have a safe, enjoyable and refreshing holiday.

Thank you once again for your continued support throughout the year. We look forward to welcoming our returning pupils back in September for another exciting year of learning, achievement and opportunity. Until then, I wish everyone a wonderful summer and look forward to all that we will accomplish together in the new academic year.

IT'S SUMMER TIME

TEACHING & LEARNING

Reflecting on a Year of Learning and Success

As we reach the end of another successful academic year, we would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the progress made by both our students and staff.

Throughout the year, our Teaching and Learning focus has remained clear: to provide consistently high quality teaching that enables every student to succeed in every classroom. By maintaining high expectations, strengthening classroom routines and investing in staff development, we have continued to create a positive learning environment where students can thrive.

An important part of our journey this year has been our commitment to continuous professional development (CPD). Our staff have engaged in a wide range of training throughout the year, including National Professional Qualifications (NPQs), subject-specific development, and collaborative professional learning. These opportunities have enabled staff to continually develop their practice, share effective strategies, and ensure the best evidence informed approaches are used in classrooms every day. As a result, students have benefited from clear explanations, well structured lessons, purposeful questioning, effective feedback, and learning experiences that build confidence and deepen understanding.

Our continued focus on literacy, retrieval practice, independent learning and classroom routines has supported students in making strong progress throughout the year.

It has also been wonderful to celebrate the many achievements of our students beyond the classroom, from success in creative writing and literacy competitions to improvements in confidence, resilience, and independence. These achievements reflect the hard work, determination and positive attitudes shown by our young people every day.

As we look ahead to the next academic year, we remain committed to continually improving the quality of teaching and learning across Stewards. We know that by investing in our staff, we invest in our students, ensuring every learner can achieve their very best.

Finally, we would like to thank all our parents and carers for your continued support throughout the year. Your encouragement at home, alongside the dedication of our staff and the hard work of our students, has played an important part in the successes we have celebrated.

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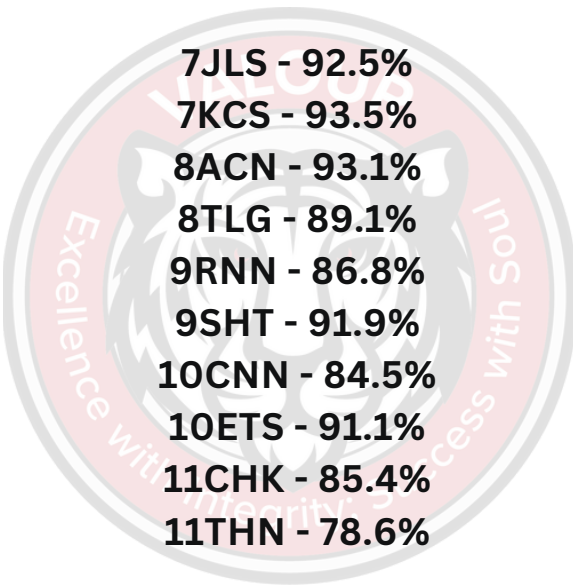
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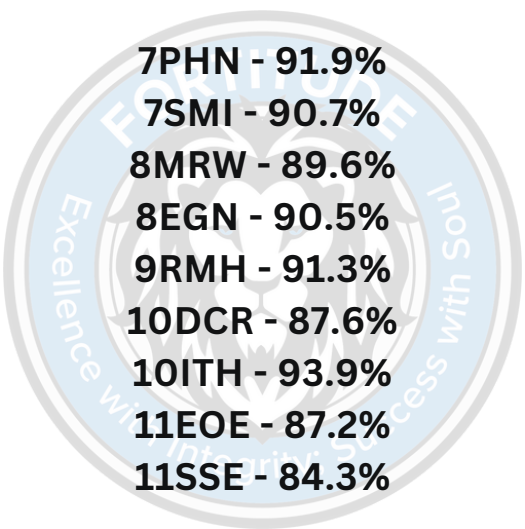
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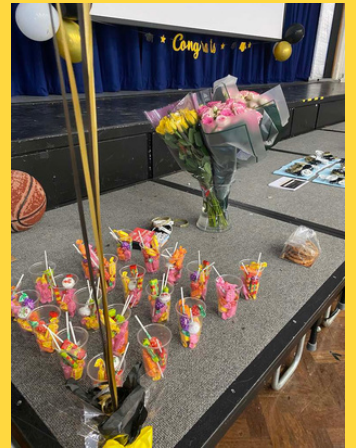


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8EGN - 90.5%
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Year 11 Leavers Day and Prom

Our Year 11 students enjoyed a memorable and well deserved celebration as they reached the end of their GCSE journey.

Leavers' Day was a fantastic opportunity for students to reflect on their time at school and celebrate together. The day began with a full breakfast, followed by shirt signing in the quad.

There was a special leavers' assembly, where students looked back on five years of achievements, friendships and unforgettable memories. The hall was decorated for the occasion, creating the perfect setting to mark this important milestone.

One student reflected on the day, saying: "It's been an amazing five years. I'll miss everyone, but I'm excited for what's next!"

After the assembly, students enjoyed an afternoon of celebrations including inflatables, a delicious BBQ and ice cream. It was a wonderful opportunity for everyone to relax, have fun and enjoy spending time together before moving on to the next chapter of their lives.

The celebrations continued at the Year 11 Prom, held at a stunning venue in Stansted. Students travelled together by coach before arriving in style, dressed to impress for an unforgettable evening.

The venue provided the perfect backdrop for a fantastic night of celebration, with a delicious buffet, music from the DJ and plenty of dancing.

Reflecting on the evening, one student commented: "Leavers' Day and Prom were the perfect way to celebrate everything we've achieved together."

Another student added: "Thank you to all the staff who have supported us throughout our time at school. We'll always remember these moments."

Mrs Morris said: "It has been a privilege to watch this year group grow in confidence and resilience. We are incredibly proud of everything they have accomplished and wish them every success in the future."

As the Class of 2026 embarks on the next stage of their journey, we would like to thank every student for the positive contribution they have made to our school community. We hope they leave with wonderful memories, lasting friendships and the confidence to embrace the exciting opportunities ahead.

Congratulations, Class of 2026! We are incredibly proud of you and wish you every success and happiness in the future.

Stewards Academy Celebrates Inaugural Governors' Award Ceremony

In October 2025, Stewards Academy proudly hosted its first ever Governors Award, marking the beginning of a new tradition that recognises students for their outstanding service to the school and wider community.

The award was established to celebrate students who consistently demonstrate commitment, leadership and a dedication to helping others. One student from each house was nominated, with the inaugural recipients being Danielle Asante, Johanne Felicite-Omole, Soraya Zaha and Taisia Florea.

To commemorate this historic occasion, an honours board has been unveiled and will take pride of place in the Academy's main hall for years to come. The board will recognise future recipients of the Governors Award, creating a lasting legacy and celebrating the achievements of students for generations to come.

The ceremony was attended by families, teaching staff and governors, who gathered to celebrate the accomplishments of the four award winners. The event proved to be a great success and highlighted the positive impact that young people can have within their school and local community.

Stewards Academy would also like to extend its sincere thanks to Garden of India for generously sponsoring the students' trophies and helping to make the occasion even more memorable.

Stephen Drew, Headteacher said: "The Governors Award has been created to recognise students who embody the values of Stewards Academy through their service, commitment and contribution to others. Danielle, Johanne, Soraya and Taisia are worthy recipients of this inaugural award and excellent role models for our school community. We are proud to honour them as the first names on our Governors Award honours board and look forward to celebrating many more students in the years ahead."

Tess Miller, Chair of Governors said: "I hope this award inspires future students to follow in their footsteps and continue building a culture of service and excellence." The Governors Award is set to become an annual event, ensuring that the exceptional contributions of Stewards Academy students continue to be recognised and celebrated for many years to come.



UKMT Junior Maths Challenge

On Wednesday 29th April, seventy-five Year 7 and Year 8 students took part in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. This involved completing 25 challenging maths questions on many different topics intended to showcase their problem-solving skills. Pupils were competing against students at a high level in Year 7 and 8 across the United Kingdom.

This is an annual challenge which Stewards has participated in for many years, and once again the pupils have done us exceptionally proud. This challenge is extremely difficult as students must apply excellent mathematical thinking to find solutions.

Our pupils showed great resilience throughout the challenge, which is reflected in the results and are the best Stewards Academy has ever had! Special mentions to:

Bronze Award

Emily Clarke, Madison Daniel, Aron Matraxhi, Imelda Mensah, Charlie Morris-Battams, Antonia Bodnar, Reggie Bull, Ella Gibbins, Oliver Gilbert, Alexander Gornicki, Emily Julian, Stiliyan Lazarov, Ivy Middleton, Milda Simonyte.

Silver Award

Verity Ashton, Zion Clarke, Joe Gregory (Best in Year 7), Katie Warhurst, Marc Bucioc, Ross Clarke-Bremner, Semi Hassan, Oakley Rains, Charles Zebrowski

Gold award

Evie Campling

A special mention goes to Evie Campling who achieved the 'Best in School' award by scoring 80 points. This high score meant Evie has qualified for a more complex challenge called the Junior Kangaroo. For a second year in a row Stewards has qualified for this challenge and we are all extremely proud of Evie for representing the school.

These phenomenal results bring our mathematical challenges to a close for this year. The maths department is exceedingly proud of all pupils who participated, and we wish all competing pupils good luck with their UKMT challenges next year.



Battle of the Bands

Stewards Academy students, with representation from all year groups, took to the Harlow Rock School stage to battle it out for the title of 'Best Band' on Wednesday 20th May.

The venue was packed, the music was loud and the performers had a fantastic time performing on a gig stage in a professional venue.

Six bands took part in the battle and each got to perform one song with Mr Springthorpe judging best vocal, best guitar, best bass, best drums, and overall best band. The overall title was claimed by 'The Sausage Rolls'. Jack Parry won Best Bass, Amber Pask won best drummer, Toby Tofts won Best Guitar and Fleur Fairservice and Taylor Jackson won best vocal.

Mrs Lysons, Head of Music, said: "The students involved had a chance to go down to Rock School in the afternoon to rehearse and get a feel for the venue before returning for a 6 o'clock start. All the bands played were excellent and loved taking part. Parents were able to come and watch and they helped to make the event a huge success with a fantastic atmosphere."

Mrs da Vighi, Head of Performing Arts, said: "The Battle of the Bands was masterminded by the wonderful Stewards music team, Mrs Lysons and Miss Harvey. They have been working with these students throughout the year to develop their confidence, teamwork, and resilience as they mould into the bands we saw perform on the evening. Working in collaboration with Charlotte and Sue from Rock School the event was a brilliant success, and plans are already underway for next year! Well done to everyone involved."



Year 10 Mock Interviews

Stewards Academy's careers team welcomed 21 volunteers, from a wealth of workplaces, to conduct mock interviews with our Year 10 students on Thursday 21st May.

Alongside two of our governors, we were lucky enough to have visitors from Pearsons, Princess Alexandra Hospital, Hertford Regional College, The Hill Group, PACT for Autism, Rainbow Services, Essex Police, Realise Education, DWP, Essex Youth Service, Lloyds Bank, Milwards and YourHarlow.

In preparation for the session, students had a series of assemblies and participated in a CV writing workshop.

One student said: "My interviewer was lovely. I was a bit worried at first, but she helped me feel more comfortable in talking about myself."

Another student said: "I really enjoyed my interview. I got some helpful feedback that I will definitely take on board."

Mrs da Vighi, Careers Lead, said: "It was a wonderful day. There was so much positivity in the hall and students who arrived quite nervous, left with big smiles on their faces".

Taking part in activities like this is an essential part of the journey from secondary to Post 16 education and employment. We are so appreciative of all the visitors that were able to support with this process.

"They have provided some really insightful feedback for the students and given us food for thought for our future planning."



Chessington World of Adventures

Rewards Trip

Our recent trip to Chessington World of Adventures was a special reward for students who achieved the Gold Phoenix Challenge Award. The trip recognised the hard work, positive behaviour, and commitment shown throughout the year. Students were excited to spend the day with their friends and enjoy the many attractions that the park has to offer, whilst dodging the rain!

During the visit, students had the opportunity to experience a variety of thrilling rides and attractions. From high-speed roller coasters to family-friendly adventures, there was something for everyone to enjoy. Many students also visited the zoo, where they learned about different animals and conservation efforts while having fun outside the classroom.

The day was a great success and provided a well-deserved reward for those who had earned the Gold Phoenix Challenge Award. Students represented the school exceptionally well, demonstrating respect, responsibility, and excellent behaviour throughout the trip. The experience created lasting memories and served as a reminder of the benefits that come from hard work, dedication, and consistently making positive choices.



Year 7 Warhorse Theatre Trip

A group of year 7 students were lucky enough to experience Warhorse at the National Theatre this week. The children were captivated by the stunning puppetry, moving performances and the emotional journey of Joey and the characters that came in and out of his journey. Safe to say there wasn't a dry eye in the house! It was a truly memorable experience that will stay with them for years to come.





Stewards & Passmores

Careers Fair

**When: 4:30pm-
7:00pm**

**Oct
8th**

Who: Year 10 & 11

**Where:
Stewards
Academy
Parnall Road,
Harlow, CM18
7NQ**



THANK YOU

FOR PLANTING TREES

Stewards Academy

This is to certify that your school has planted 40 trees
by taking part in JUST ONE Tree Day 2025-2026.

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With your contribution we will be able to help global reforestation efforts clean the air we breathe, clean the water we drink, increase biodiversity, protect against deforestation, improve livelihoods and most importantly combat climate change.



A huge thank you to all our families for supporting our JUST ONE Tree Day event. Thanks to your generosity, Steward Academy has added 40 trees to its growing school forest, helping to combat climate change and biodiversity loss. These trees will be planted through reforestation projects in countries including Brazil, Madagascar, Mozambique, Mexico, Nepal, Indonesia, Kenya and Zambia. The seeds will first be nurtured in specialist nurseries before being planted in carefully selected locations during the next rainy season. Over the next 25 years, our school's forest of 40 trees is expected to remove approximately 12.32 tonnes of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. Every £1 donated has made a meaningful difference, and we are incredibly proud to be working together as a school community to support a greener, more sustainable future.

Thank you once again for helping us make a positive impact on our environment.

ROUTES IN HEALTHCARE: EXPLORING THE HEALTHCARE ASSISTANT ROLE

Take part in a hands-on workshop hosted by the Health & Care Academy in the specialist training ward at Brentwood Community Hospital.

This interactive session will give you a practical introduction to working in health and care through the role of a Healthcare Assistant (HCA).

EXPERIENCE A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A HEALTHCARE ASSISTANT

You will:

- ★ Discover the role of a Healthcare Assistant
- ★ Learn about Infection Prevention and Control, including: Hand hygiene, Using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), The 5 Moments of Hand Hygiene and Bed-changing skills
- ★ Take physiological measurements and record NEWS observations
- ★ Learn Basic Life Support skills
- ★ Take part in a Healthcare Escape Room challenge

THIS FUN AND INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP WILL GIVE YOU A REAL INSIGHT INTO LIFE ON A HOSPITAL WARD WHILE HELPING YOU DEVELOP PRACTICAL SKILLS THROUGH REALISTIC CLINICAL ACTIVITIES.

This opportunity is available to students aged 14 - 16 years old.

Date: Wednesday 22nd July or Thursday 23rd July

Time: 10am - 3:30pm

Venue: Brentwood Community Hospital

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Volunteer solo, or as a team with colleagues, friends or family, and help make *Lions on the Loose* an un-fur-gettable experience for everyone!



We need:

-  **Safari Squad Rangers and Responders:** Keep our lions safe and happy
-  **Farewell Weekend Volunteers:** Support the grand finale celebrations
-  **In Memory Rangers and Responders:** Help the Lions on the Loose legacy live on

Why get involved?

-  **Make a difference** in your community and support St Clare Hospice's vital care for local people
-  **Have fun:** Meet new people, enjoy the outdoors and be part of a creative, colourful trail that everyone will love
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- ✓ Activities run by qualified, local club providers
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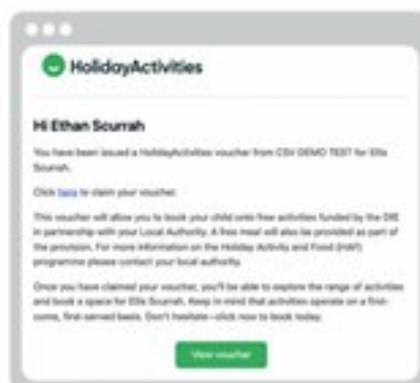
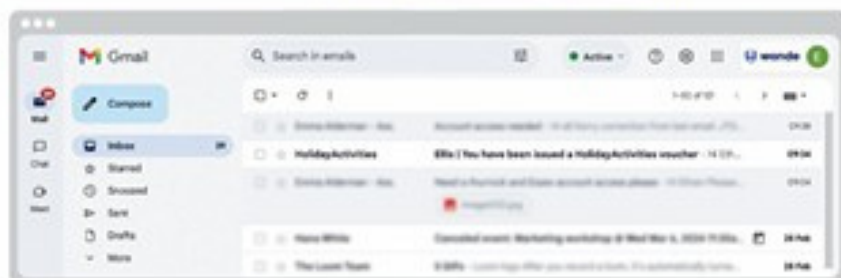


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A guide on claiming your voucher and booking activities

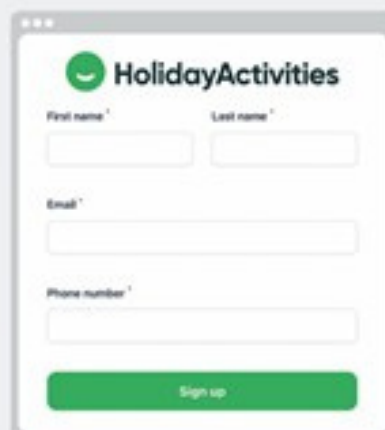
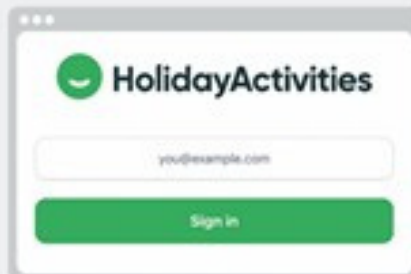
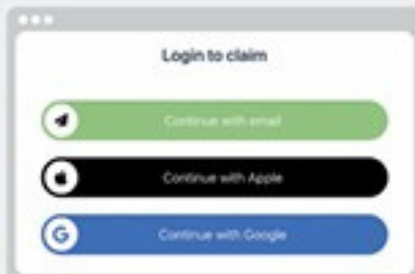
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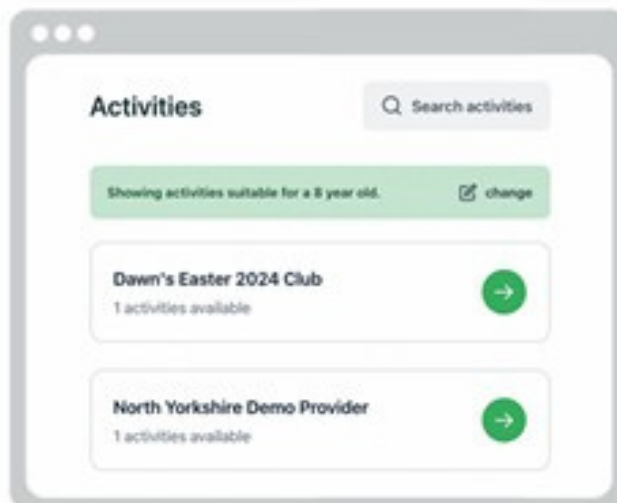
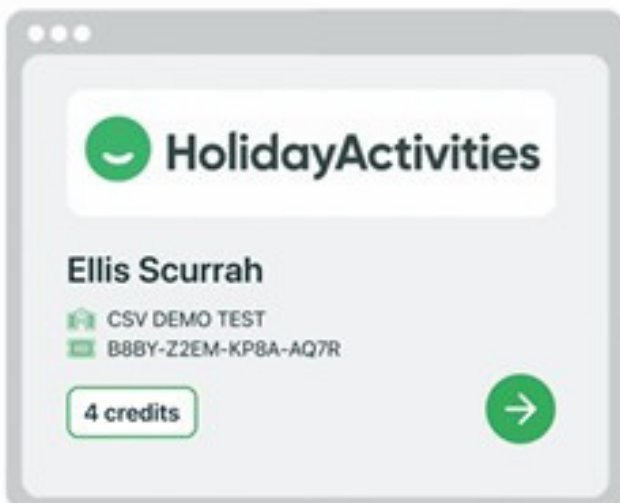
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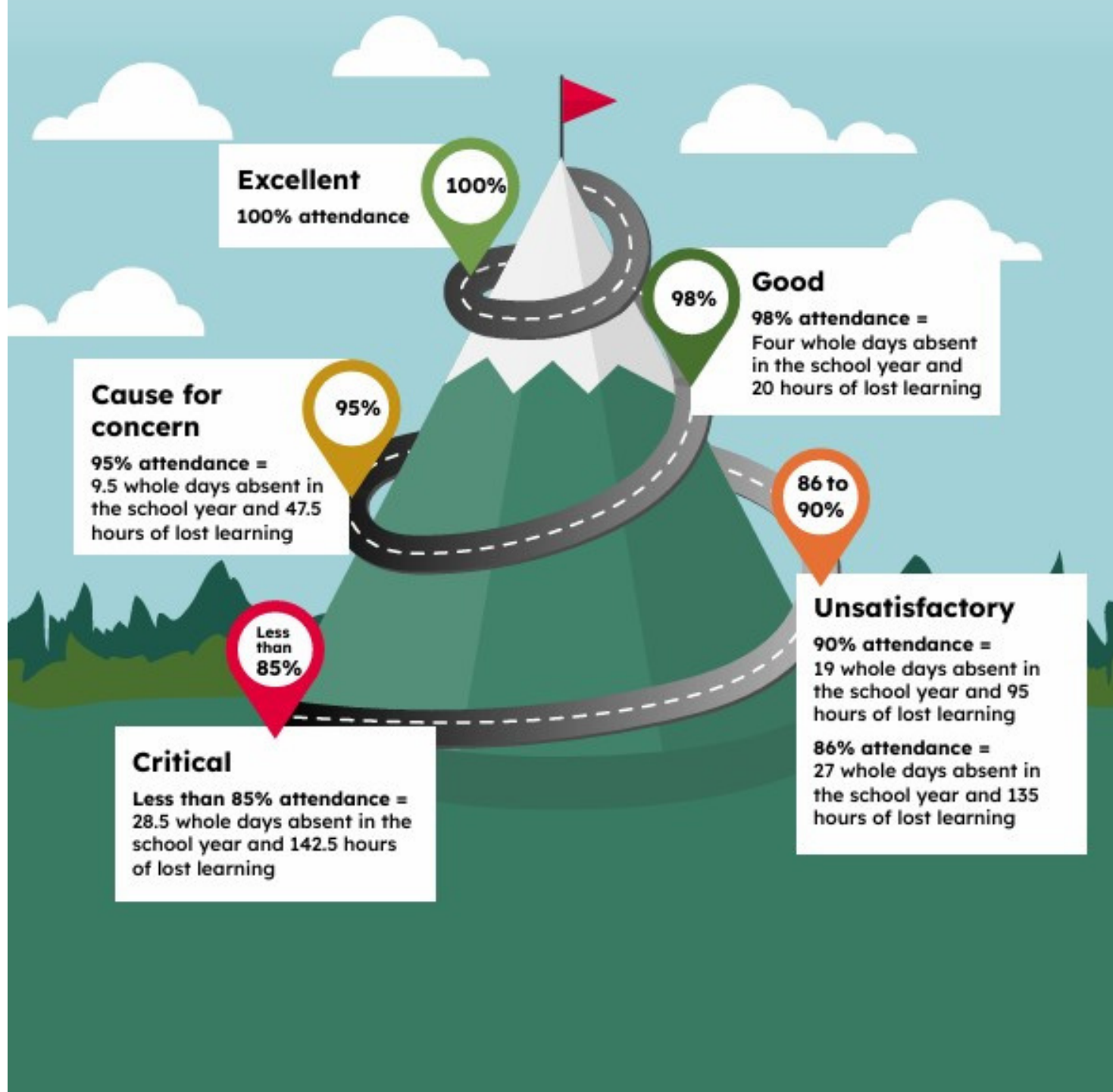


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Where does your child sit on the attendance mountain?



What to do

Advice on childhood illnesses



Go to school; if needed, get treatment as required



Some restrictions for school attendance



Don't go to school and see the GP

What it's called?	What it's like	Going to school	Getting treatment	More advice
Asthma flare up	Worsening of usual symptoms	➡	Follow your care plan	Stay off school if feeling too unwell
Chicken pox	Rash begins as small, red, flat spots that develop into itchy fluid-filled blisters	➡	Pharmacy	Back to school five days after on-set of the rash, or when all lesions are crusted over
Common cold	Runny nose, sneezing, sore throat	➡	Pharmacy	Ensure good hand hygiene
Conjunctivitis	Teary, red, itchy, painful eye(s)	➡	Pharmacy	Try not to touch eye to avoid spreading*
Flu	Fever, cough, sneezing, runny nose, headache, body aches and pain, exhaustion, sore throat	➡	Pharmacy	Ensure good hand hygiene*
German measles/ Rubella	Fever, tiredness. Raised, red, rash that starts on the face and spreads downwards	●	GP	Back to school four days after the rash has started, if feeling well enough. Please let the school know, as pregnant members of staff may be affected.
Glandular fever	High temperature, swollen glands, sore throat; usually more painful than any before	➡	GP	*
Hand, foot & mouth disease	Fever, sore throat, headache, small painful blisters inside the mouth on tongue and gums (may appear on hands and feet)	➡	GP	Attend school while monitoring symptoms
Head lice	Itchy scalp (may be worse at night)	➡	Pharmacy	
Impetigo	Clusters of red bumps or blisters surrounded by area of redness	●	GP	Back to school when lesions crust or 48 hours after start of antibiotics
Measles	Fever, cough, runny nose, watery inflamed eyes, rash	●	GP	Back to school four days from on-set of rash, and if feeling well enough
Ringworm	Red ring shaped rash, may be itchy, rash may be dry and scaly or wet and crusty	➡	Pharmacy	
Scabies	Itching rash, commonly between fingers, wrists, elbows, arm	➡	GP	Back to school after first treatment
Scarlet fever	Fever, unwell, red tongue, sandpaper rash	●	GP	Exclusion period during first 24 hours of antibiotics*
Shingles	Pain, itching, or tingling along the affected nerve pathway. Blister-type rash	➡	GP	Only stay off school if rash is weeping and cannot be covered
Sickness bug/ diarrhoea	Stomach cramps, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea	➡	Pharmacy	Contact GP if symptoms persist after 48 hours
Threadworms	Intense itchiness around anus	➡	Pharmacy	Ensure good hand hygiene
Tonsillitis/ Strep throat	Intense sore throat for more than 1 day	➡	Pharmacy	See GP if temperature lasts more than 48 hours or cannot swallow. Only need to stay off school if feeling too unwell
Whooping cough	Violent coughing, with a 'whoop'	●	GP	Exclusion period during first five days of antibiotics
Covid				Visit www.nhs.uk for latest guidance

*Attend school while monitoring symptoms.

This information is a guide and has been checked by health professionals. If you are unsure about your child's wellbeing, we recommend you contact your pharmacy or GP to check.

Working in partnership with

Should my child go to school/nursery today?

Hertfordshire and West Essex Healthier Together for further information
<https://www.hwehealthiertogether.nhs.uk/parentscarers>



CAREERS FAIR DAY

— AT —
GULLIVER'S
Land

**WEDNESDAY,
14 OCTOBER 2026**

 **10:00 am – 3:00 pm**



TICKETS: £20 PER STUDENT



WHAT'S INCLUDED:



Tour of Gulliver's Land



Company Employer Talks



Opportunity to visit a variety of company stands



A selection of rides open from
2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

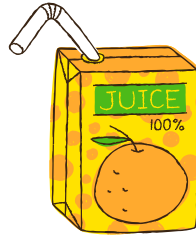


**SPACES ARE LIMITED,
SO BOOK NOW TO AVOID MISSING OUT!**



If you're interested, please email
Laura.Burgess@gulliversfun.co.uk

Breakfast Club



8:15pm - 8:45am Everyday!

FREE bagels, juice and cereal as well as the option to purchase food ready for break-time to avoid queuing during your break.

Everyone welcome, it is a great atmosphere - we hope to see you there!



Where can I store my bike at school?

We have a large bike shed by the back entrance to the school where we lock bikes and scooters behind gates until the end of the day. Please use this and do not keep your bikes anywhere else. If you arrive late, bring them to the front of the school and they can be put in the workshop if necessary.



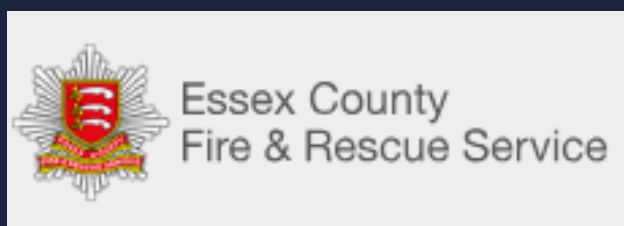
Lost and Found

Reminder to please put your children's names in their uniforms and bags so that we can reunite them if lost. Please put full names and not just initials. Thank you.



Recording an Absence via Arbor

To record an absence, click on the **Quick Actions** button and then click **Attendance**. From here, click the green **Log Absence** button in the top-right of the page. Here you can input the start and end time for the absence. By default, the absence start and end times reflect the student's full day, but these can be adjusted as needed. Once you have filled in this data, click **Log Absence**. This will then be visible to school staff. School staff can then accept or reject the absence. Approved absences appear in the **Attendance** tab of the Parent Portal or Arbor App.



Safeguarding

As we come to the end of another busy term, we wanted to share some of the important safeguarding work that has taken place across the school.

This term, every year group took part in an assembly delivered by Kooth an online mental health and wellbeing service. Supporting our student's mental health remains a key priority, and the assemblies encouraged pupils to understand the importance of looking after their emotional wellbeing and knowing where to seek support.

One of the many benefits of Kooth is that young people can access confidential support online using a QR code and communicate through a text-based service which can be particularly helpful for children who find it difficult to talk about their worries or experiences with anxiety.

The students engaged brilliantly with the sessions, and the messages reinforced the importance of asking for help when needed.

This week, we were also pleased to welcome the Fire and Rescue Service, who delivered assemblies to every year group on arson and water safety.

Sadly, these topics are particularly relevant following the recent fires in the Harlow area and the tragic incidents involving young people drowning across the country.

These assemblies highlighted the dangers of entering open water, particularly during the recent spells of very hot weather when the rivers, lakes and canals can seem inviting. Students learned about hidden currents, underwater hazards and the risks that are not always visible. They were also taught valuable life-saving advice, including how to float on their back if they get into difficulty. Why they should never jump in to rescue someone else, as this can quickly put two people in danger.

How to call for help and use What3words to identify their location and throw something that floats to someone in difficulty if it is safe to do so.

These important messages help equip our pupils with the knowledge they need to make safe choices during the summer months.

We wish all our families a safe, happy and restful summer holiday and look forward to welcoming everyone back in September.

Designated
Safeguarding
Lead



Mrs Atkinson
(Safeguarding V Office)

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If you have any worries about your safety or wellbeing, speak to a member of the Safeguarding team, or any adult in the School

Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Miss Blake
(Safeguarding V Office)

Safeguarding Officers: AHoH Office



Ms Morley



Mrs Bolt



Mrs Ali



Mrs Coulson



Mrs Coates



Mr Hughes
(AHT/Maths Office)

For Safeguarding updates and information please visit:

