The Edith Borthwick School Newsletter

June 2025

Head's update

What a warm sunny month June has been – especially over the last week!

Learners have been frequently using the field and the playground, and our younger classes have enjoyed using their gardens. We were not able to use our sensory bus for a few weeks after half term, because we had a robin's nest in there full of chicks! They 'flew the nest' (excuse the pun!) a couple of weeks ago and after a thorough clean, the bus was back in action for learners!

Orangutan class completed their Duke of Edinburgh expeditions on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th June. They had to walk for a long time on each day around Chelmsford and Springfield, and did really well on two very hot days! The learners and staff all looked shattered the day after!

We have had a number of parent tours this term for parents/carers of learners starting with us in September. We have 28 new learners starting with us, which is very exciting! We have a record number of leavers at the end of this academic year: all our Year 14s, some learners in Years 11, 12 and 13 who are going to college, and three learners moving onto MLD (Moderate Learning Difficulty) schools because they need something different now. We will miss them and we wish them all the very best in their exciting next steps! ©

We have been very lucky recently that a local company Lewden decided that they would like to sponsor us by giving us money to use at our Family Picnic on Saturday. Their generosity means that like last year, we will have free inflatables, a free balloon modeller, an ice cream van, Headteacher in the stocks, and Essex Therapy Dogs (if it is not too hot on the day). Please bring a picnic and have fun from 11.00am until 1.00pm! Our new learners have been invited and it would be lovely to see you all there!

On Friday 4th July, you will receive two important documents for your child's new class for the next academic year - you will receive a message on Parentmail at 12.00pm detailing your child's new class, and your learner will be sent home with a paper copy of their Welcome Book for their new class.

Please don't forget to sponsor your child for the sponsored Fun Day! We had lots of fun activities going on and will fill you in in a couple of weeks about it!

What's on during the rest of term	
04/07	Class list sent to parents/carers, and Welcome Books sent home
05/07	Family picnic (11.00am – 1.00pm)
07/07 to 09/07	Year 14 residential
07/07-11/07	Arts week/celebration
11/07	Leavers Ball (6.30pm – 9.30pm)
	For leavers Year 11 and above - younger leavers will have celebrations in their class
18/07	Last day of term
Have a nice couple of weeks!	
Best wishes,	
Maggie	
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11.00am – 1.00pm on the school field!

All our families, staff and governors are invited to attend, including our new families with children joining us in September!

Please bring your own picnic, as we won't be selling food or drink.

Planned activities include:

- an ice cream van (selling ice creams)
 - free inflatables
 - a balloon modeller
 - Essex Therapy Dogs
 - 'Soak the Headteacher' stocks!



our Family Picnic, and a

photo booth for our

Leavers' Summer Ball!



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Sponsored Fun Day for FOEBS, Update and Sponsorship Forms

So far, we have raised a fantastic £820.00!

We really appreciate any donations we receive so please keep sharing your online class link to friends, family or work colleagues to try and raise as much money as possible before the deadline of Monday 11th July 2025.

Don't forget, we are also running an in-school 'Best fundraiser' competition where the winning class will win a prize of their choice; this could be a class party, a trip out, an on-site activity or a new toy/piece of equipment!

You can also use our paper sponsorship form – please ask Reception to send a copy home with your learner.

Southend class went to the United in Diversity Day at Braxted Park – one of our learners particularly liked dressing up as a police officer and doing brick laying!



Join our monthly lottery!

'Your School Lottery' was set up to raise money and make a difference for our amazing learners - for every ticket you play, 74.2% goes to our school and prizes! It's only £1 per ticket with the chance to win a £25,000 grand prize!

Your School Lottery

Don't forget, our Parent Support Group takes place on Friday 4th July at 9.30am!

Tortoise class went to the President Sports Day in Chelmsford, where we took part in boccia, athletics events and dance!



Flamingo class have been looking at how to keep ourselves safe! We looked at the police - the learners had their fingerprints taken during role play activities!



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