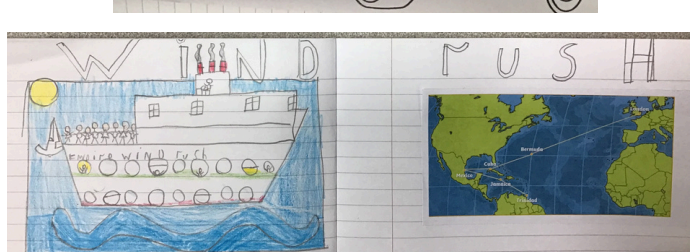
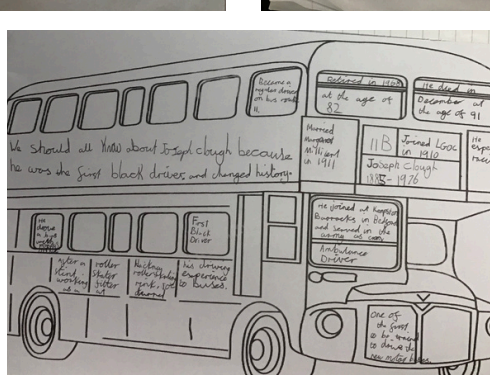
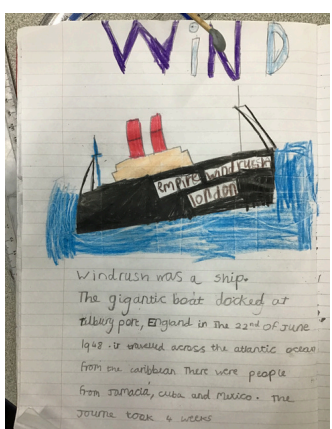
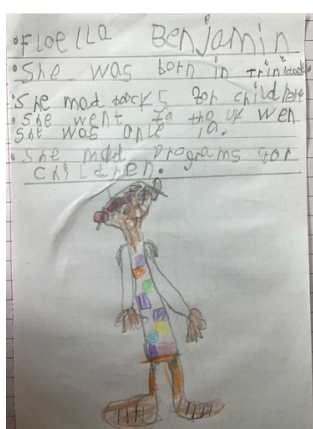




BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2024

To celebrate Black History Month, we held Black History Day across the school on October 3rd. The theme of this year's Black History Month is being empathetic to the lives and stories of black people.

We wanted to look at the recent past and celebrate the lives of black people in the UK. EYFS and KS1 learnt about the life of Dame Floella Benjamin, LKS2 learnt about the Windrush Generation, and UKS2 learnt about the life of the black bus driver Joseph Clough and the Bristol Bus Boycotts.



School dates	
newly added items or any changes are highlighted in yellow	
October	
17th - 6.30pm	FOSP Annual General Meeting
18th - 2.45pm	Miss Vianello's class assembly
22nd	Parents' evening - 3.30pm - 5.30pm
23rd 10-12	Parent Webiner (Zoom): introduction to speech and language challenges - supporting your child
24th	Parents' evening - 4.00pm - 7.30pm
24th - 2.45pm	Dr Gardner's class assembly
25th	Non-pupil day
28th-1st	HALF TERM
30th 10-12 (during half term)	Parent Webiner (Zoom): supporting your child with social communication challenges
November	
6th	EYFS/Year 5 Road Safety EYFS parents to attend at 2pm
9th	FOSP Fireworks
15th	Anti-bullying day
15th - 2.45pm	Mrs Armitage's class assembly
15th	FOSP school disco
18th	Year 6 and Reception heights & weights
22nd - 2.45pm	Mrs Brooker's class assembly
22nd	Flu vaccinations
29th - 2.45pm	Mr Brennen's class assembly
December	
3rd & 4th	FOSP wreath making 7-9.30pm
5th 3.30-5pm	Christmas Fayre
6th	FOSP - non-uniform day (chocolate donation)
10th	iRocks concerts - 9.30am and 2pm
11th, 12th, 13th	EYFS/KS1 Nativity - 2pm
12th	Parent Share
18th - am	Whole school panto
20th - 1.45pm	Christmas Service at church

Notice: Car Park Gate Closure

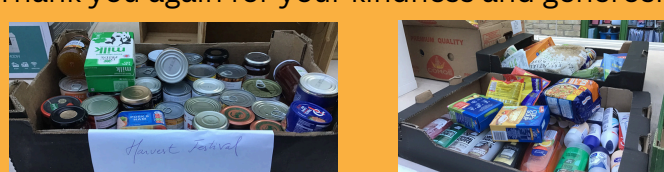
Starting Tuesday, the car park gates will be closed from 8:20 AM to 4:30 PM to help ensure the safety of our children, as outlined in the Vehicle and Pedestrian Risk Assessment. If you are entering the school grounds from the front, please use the pedestrian gate. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!



Can I also remind you to follow the parking restrictions outside the school and on the local roads.

Harvest Food Donations

We have collected a wonderful amount for Braintree Food Bank, and your support will make a significant difference. Thank you again for your kindness and generosity!



Secondary applications

Just a reminder that all Year 6 children must apply for secondary school places by 31st October at the latest. [Click here to begin your application.](#)



Parent Workshops



Don't forget to book yourself on to the virtual workshops being offered by Notley Family of Schools regarding separation anxiety. They are all completely free.

Dates for the sessions are as follows:

- EYFS - 13th November 2024, 9:45 am or 1:15 pm
- Year 1 to Year 4 - 20th November 2024, 9:45 am or 1:15 pm
- Year 5 to Year 9 - 27th November 2024, 9:45 am or 1:15 pm

[Click here to book a place](#)

Speech & Language UK are putting on two webinars to help families understand how to support their child's language development.



- Wednesday 23rd October 10-12pm
Introduction to speech and language - supporting your child
- Wednesday 30th October 10-12pm.
Supporting your child with social communication challenges.

mail tlc@essex.gov.uk to receive a Zoom link.



A LIVING STREETS CAMPAIGN

We are excited to be taking part in the WOW Walk to School Challenge 2024/2025!

Physical exercise is a great way to start your day and is kind to the environment too.

Walk, bike, skate or scooter to school and you have the chance to earn a fun new badge each month!



Ellis in KS2 is an eager race runner and some of them are very long! Here you can see a selection of his most recent medals. He also raised a lot of money for charity by doing them. Well done, Ellis!



Punctuality is life skill that children need to develop while they are young. Children who arrive late are greatly disadvantaged because they miss starting the day with their peers and the beginning of lessons. This means that they are often unsettled and confused about tasks. The Hero poster shows the impact of even a few minutes lost every day.

