ABP Newsletter 11.07.25

Arthur Bugler Primary School

Dear parents/carers,

School continues to be busy as we come to the end of term. On Tuesday we invited parents and carers in to see your children's books. I hope you were able to see the progress that they have made and a sample of the variety of lessons that they have taken part in. Thank you to those who came.

The choir rehearsed and performed at the Junior Music Festival on Wednesday, led by the adults from the choir team; Mrs Cooper, Mrs Peck and Mrs Cordell. Thank you to these adults who gave up their own time to attend this event, more information can be found below. The children were a credit to the school and seemed to enjoy themselves.

Year 6 SATs results were released. The children and their teacher have worked so hard and children have made progress from their starting points, well done to all the children.

Mrs J Matthews, our new Interim Head of School will be visiting the school again next week and will be introducing herself in assemblies with the children.

A huge thank you to the PTA team who organised our annual summer fete last Saturday. It was a great event which raised £1600 for the school. Thank you to everyone in the community who came to support this event.

Have a good weekend,

Miss Glandfield

Executive Headteacher

Free School Meals - message from Thurrock Council

Please be aware that parents already in receipt of Free School Meals do not need to reapply for the new school year, entitlement will transfer automatically. Parents only need to apply if A) A new sibling who has not yet been entitled starts school B) They have not yet applied and feel they meet the criteria on Thurrock's website, linked below; https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/school-meals/free-school-meals

Weekly reading winners (Golden Tickets)

This weeks winners are:

EYFS/Key Stage 1: Class 4

Key Stage 2: Class 14

Reading is a vital skill, and we take pride in celebrating our readers every Friday during our weekly celebration assembly. Please support us by encouraging your child to read regularly at home and by signing their reading record. Each completed read brings them closer to earning golden tickets—let's work together to inspire a love for reading!

Weekly Attendance winners

A huge congratulations to this week's top attending classes!

EYFS/Key Stage 1: Class 1 with 98%

Key Stage 2: Class 9 with 98%

Regular attendance is crucial for a strong education, helping children stay on track with their learning and progress. Every school day counts! However, if your child is unwell or unable to attend, please remember that it is your responsibility to inform the school as early as possible. Thank you for your continued support in making attendance a priority!

Class dojo

Winning team - Red team

Mersea Residential 2025

The Year 6 residential trip to Mersea was a huge success once again with the children making memories that will last forever! The attitude and behaviour from the children was first class, with many challenging themselves and being open to new experiences.

The children enjoyed camping, cricket, eating heaps and of course taking part in a range of fantastic individual and team activities. The children took aim in archery, scaled climbing walls, faced their fears on the giant swing, felt the need for speed on the go karts, searched for crabs on the beach to mention a few!

A huge thank you to the staff at Essex Outdoors who again went above and beyond to give the children the best possible experience and we look forward to returning next year.

Also a huge thank you to Miss McGoldrick, Mrs Calder, Mrs Dodd and Mr Stone for their support, organisation and fantastic company whilst on the trip!

Mr Heard.

1 - Beach life!

2 - Up, up, up we go!

3 - Hot chocolate by the sea!

4 - Fun on the giant swing!

PE & Sports update

Our girls' cricket team were in action on Monday against Thameside B. It was a really competitive and enjoyable game that went down to the wire. Thameside batted first scoring 255 runs for the loss of one wicket - a fantastic running catch by Scarlett. The girls kept their bowling really tidy and fielded well making great improvements.

Chasing 256 to win, we were helped by 2 boundaries from Genesis before Matilda and Iona came in needing 17 to win from 2 overs. The girls produced a great partnership with superb running between the wickets. The game ended with player of the match Iona hitting a fantastic 4 off the penultimate ball - winning by just 3 runs.

Well done girls!

Mr Heard.

5 - A great win for our girls on Monday away at Thameside!

Sports Kit Return

Please could you make sure that all sports kit is returned to Mr Heard as soon as possible please.

We are still missing quite a lot and it needs to be sorted and organised for next year.

Football:

- Boys A (Yellow and Green - Steamly the Best sponsor)
- Girls A (Yellow and Green - Site Acres sponsor)
- Boys B (Green and white)
- Girls B (Green and white)
- Year 4 (Green - ABC sponsor)

Netball:

- Skirts and Tops

Athletics:

- Green Running Vests

Cricket:

- White playing shirts
- White trousers

Many thanks in advance for your cooperation with this.

Mr Heard

Choir news

6 - Huge CONGRATULATIONS to our AMAZING Choir who properly smashed their performance at the Junior Music Festival on Wednesday night!! All of the rehearsals certainly paid off, and they represented ABP brilliantly! They should be so proud of themselves, because we certainly are!

A big thank you to the staff for their dedication getting the children ready for the event! Also, well done to Mrs Peck who successfully signed all of the performances every night this week!

7 - Big THANK YOU to Christian Care Homes for donating their minibuses to help transport our School Choir to the Junior Music Festival rehearsals this week at the Civic Hall in Blackshots. Their generous gesture meant that our children were super prepared for their performance this week!

Congratulations - out of school achievements

Brownie Bronze award
Well done!
Bronze award!

Jessica G Class 10 received her brownies award last week at Brownies. This shows her hard work at Brownies and at home towards her badges.

8 - On July 6, Andreas participated in a football tournament, where he demonstrated exceptional teamwork and a strong individual performance. He and his team won the trophy 🏆

9 - At the weekend Ava C and Amaya C auditioned for Jack and the Beanstalk pantomime at The Institute Braintree. Ava has been offered a place with them and will perform over the festive period. Amaya was successful in gaining a place on their reserve list. A huge accomplishment for both girls.

10 - 10 meters award and a certificate of investiture for Emmelene last week. Well done.

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13 - Congratulations to Seren who has been awarded an orange belt in Goja Ryu.

14 - Well done girls, 3 nights of fantastic dancing in their first show for aspirations dance school at gable hall - Bella W and Poppy T.

Governor news

Meet two more of our governors:

Mr Andrew Walker Vice Chair Community Governor	Mrs Shirley Apenteng Parent Governor

Safeguarding - online safety for parents/carers

Recently we have heard a lot of our younger children talking about an AI generated meme called 'Italian brain rot'. It has pictures of mixed up characters, like a shark in trainers, and is in Italian. We have been informed that the songs include inappropriate comments, so we would encourage you to check your children's devices and screen time to ensure they are not being exposed to this.

Co-operative Values

Osborne
Co-operative Academy Trust

- **Self Help** - We use our own efforts and resources to achieve things without relying on others.
- **Self Responsibility** - We understand that we are answerable and accountable for our actions.
- **Democracy** - We understand that everyone should be treated equally and has an equal voice and right to contribute.
- **Solidarity** - We support each other and work together to achieve a goal.
- **Equality** - We ensure that everyone is treated fairly, equally and with respect.
- **Equity** - We demonstrate attitudes and behaviours which are fair and unbiased.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 15th July - Year 6 Graduation event

Wednesday 16th July - Year 6 leavers fair

Wednesday 16th July - Year 3 trip to Colchester Castle

Thursday 17th July - Year 6 inflatable party

Friday 18th July - Last day of term & treat from PTA (Ice cream man visit)

Wednesday 3rd September - Children return to school