



# Fingringhoe

## Church of England (VA) Primary School

Spring Term 2024

Friday 19th January

### Dates for the diary

- Music lessons—Every Monday (for those signed up)
- Gym club—After school Wednesday (Years 1&2 for those signed up)
- Revision club—Every Thursday after school for Year 6
- Netball club—Every Friday after school for Elm class (for those signed up)
- Friday February 9th—Beech Class school trip to Colchester Castle.
- W/C 19th February—Half term
- Monday 26th February—Non-pupil day



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to all of our families to the start of the new term. The children and staff have wasted no time in immersing themselves back into learning! Last week saw Maple Class enjoy a trip to Colchester Castle to launch their new learning in History about the Roman era - a great day was had by all. We have also added a brand new after-school gymnastics club to our current offer which is proving to be very popular! We often carry out surveys in relation to clubs that our families would like, so please do take the time to respond to help us to plan even more exciting clubs in the future.

We look forward to seeing some of you at our celebration assembly this afternoon, and we hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes, Mrs Coyle & Ms Parker

### Reminders

Please check Parent Pay for any outstanding arrears for school lunches, BAA club & class trips

Headteachers Awards	Week commencing 08/01/2024	Week commencing 15/01/2024
Willow Class	Alexandra	Joshua
Beech Class	Eden & Olive	Annan & Flo
Maple Class	Archer, Joseph, Lily-Sophia & Ruby	Sophia, Teddy & Elijah
Elm Class	Kaitlyn, Ava & Lily	Poppy, Rupert & Anastasia

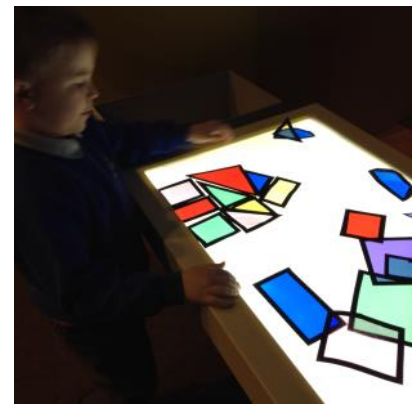
## Willow

This week, the children in Willow class have begun to explore their new class text, 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. They created their own small world story map to retell the events, designed WANTED posters to find the bear and discussed how the characters' may be feeling at key points. In a few weeks, they will be venturing round the village on their own bear hunt! I wonder what they will find...



## Beech

What an arty start to the Spring term we have had in Beech Class! Our focus in art is all about printmaking. We started off by exploring with paint, working in small groups to create a hand-print collage background. We will then use our backgrounds to explore different shapes of flowers to create a beautiful floral masterpiece. Whilst at the outdoor classroom this week, we experimented with wax crayons to take rubbings of natural and man-made materials as an alternative way to make prints.



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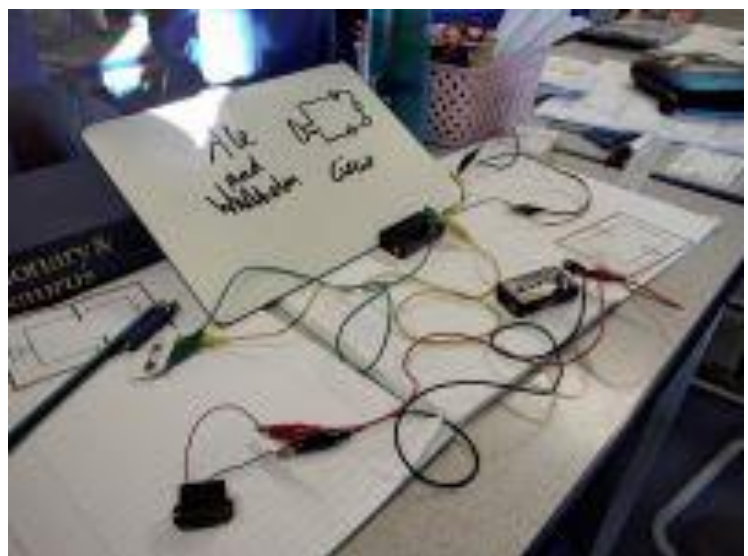
## Maple

Maple class had a fascinating trip to Colchester Castle this week to launch our new roman topic. We went down to the vaults where we learnt about the roman temple that originally stood there. We also built replica roman villas, followed a really interesting trail around the museum to see lots of artefacts and even took part in some virtual chariot racing! The children were so enthusiastic, well behaved and learnt lots to take back to the classroom. We had a really fun day, thank you to parents for supporting with transport.



## Elm

Elm Class have started this new year learning about Victorian Britain in History, and reading their new class text, Street Child, in English. After only two weeks, the children are realising the harshness of growing up in this era! We have had some excellent thinking and discussions in R.E. with our enquiry - Is being happy the greatest purpose in life? In Science, the children have recapped previous learning on circuits, and are now exploring different enquiries that focus on components in more complicated circuits.



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