



Friday 9th October 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all parents and carers who have already booked an appointment for our upcoming Parent Consultation Meetings. If you have not yet booked your appointment, parent consultations will take place on Monday 19th October and Tuesday 20th October.

As the weather becomes colder and wetter, please ensure that your child comes to school each day with a waterproof coat so they can dry and comfortable during outdoor activities and playtimes.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Coxhead

Gingerbread Baking in Ruby Class

'Run, run as fast as you can, you can't catch me I'm the gingerbread man!'

Ruby Class loved bringing our story to life this week. They carefully followed the steps to create their very own gingerbread persons and had so much fun doing it!

We're glad ours didn't jump out of the oven!

Well done Ruby Class!



Attendance and Punctuality

Congratulations to **Reception** who won the Attendance Cup this week with 100% and will receive 15 minutes extra playtime. Well done!



Harvest Donations

As part of our learning about Harvest, Ruby Class has taken on a very special project - to lead the whole school in collecting donations for Tiptree Food Bank. Collecting essential food items can make a real difference to people and families in our local community.

We would love for this to become a whole-school effort and we would be incredibly grateful for your support. If you are able to donate, we have included a list below of the items that our local food bank has specifically requested. Even one item can help and every donation will be greatly appreciated.

Please send any items into school to be placed in our 'Harvest Donation Station', which is outside Ruby Class. We will then work together as a school community to sort and prepare everything ready to be given to the food bank.

This is a lovely opportunity for us, as a school community, to demonstrate the values that are so important to us. By working together, we can show our children the positive impact that we can have when we come together to help those in our local community.

Thank you so much for your support. We hope that, together, we can make our Harvest collection a meaningful and generous one.

The deadline for handing in donations is Thursday 22nd October 2026.

Requested items: long-life milk, breakfast cereal, fruit juice, tea, coffee, biscuits, jam, squash, tinned vegetables, soup, baked beans, tinned custard, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, pasta, rice, pasta sauce, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned potatoes, toilet roll, toiletries, laundry detergent, cleaning products, and nappies (larger sizes most often used).



Upcoming Diary Dates

Date	Event
12.10.26	Flu Vaccinations
19.10.26	Parent Consultations – 3:30-5:30pm
20.10.26	Parent Consultations – 3:30-7:00pm
20.10.26	Coffee Morning – Autism Outreach
08.12.26	KS1 Nativity – Afternoon Performance – 1:30-2:30pm
09.12.26	KS1 Nativity – Morning Performance – 9:30-10:30am



No Mobile Phones or Filming on School Premises

We kindly remind parents and carers that filming and photography are not permitted on the school premises. This includes the use of mobile phones or other devices to record videos or take photographs.

This policy helps us protect the privacy and safety of all our pupils, families and staff. We thank you for your cooperation, understanding and support in helping us maintain a safe and respectful school environment.



SEND News

SEND Events and Activities

- SEND Sensation October Half Term timetable: [Timetables | Send Sensation](#)
- Free Colchester Zoo tickets: [Half Term Day out at Colchester Zoo | Send Sensation](#)
- Maldon Gymnastic Club Sessions: [Class details](#)



Core Value Awards

Caroline Y6, Joseph Y5, Charlotte Y4, Noah Y3, Olivia Y2, Beau Y1

Kindness

Respect

Curiosity

WOW Awards

Year 1	Jack and Maisie
Year 2	Kaci and Lucy
Year 3	Lily and Ralph
Year 4	Caden and Felicity
Year 5	Charlie and Yunus
Year 6	Reggie and Sonny



House Points

This week's winning house is ...

Earps



with **504** points!

Milldene Primary School

'Living and Learning Together'

kindness respect curiosity