

# Tudor Court Newsletter



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## Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents, Pupils and Staff,

Last night we held the Annual General Meeting of our Friends of Tudor Court Association (FTCA). We are delighted to welcome new members to the committee, and there is a palpable sense of enthusiasm as we collaboratively plan for what promises to be an exciting year ahead. The dedication and support of our FTCA are instrumental to our school and we look forward to the fruition of their efforts in the coming months. In addition to those members joining the committee, it was great to hear from a number of parents over the past week who have offered to help at events throughout the year. This help is invaluable and will hopefully mean we can run a lot of exciting events and raise money for a range of school projects to benefit the children.

Our pupils have been engaging in a variety of enriching educational experiences. Year 2 pupils recently embarked on a local trip, exploring the historical evolution of Grays since the Victorian era. This hands-on approach to learning provides our pupils with a tangible connection to their local heritage and enhances their understanding of historical change. Our Year 4 children visited Colchester Castle as part of their History curriculum focusing on the Roman period. Such experiential learning opportunities are fundamental to our educational philosophy, offering pupils the chance to immerse themselves in the historical contexts they are studying.

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On a sporting front, we have witnessed remarkable achievements and displays of character. Our Year 5 and 6 Cross Country Team have demonstrated exceptional resilience in what is undoubtedly one of the most challenging sporting events for our pupils. I would like to extend a special commendation to Amelia, who secured first place in the Year 6 Girls race. Her outstanding performance has earned her the honour of representing Thurrock in the Essex Cross Country finals.

Year 5 and 6 Boys Football team were also victorious in their first league fixture last Friday. We are immensely proud of their teamwork and sportsmanship.

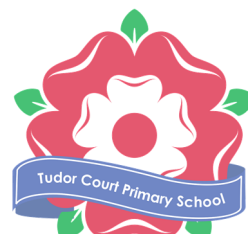
Lastly, I must draw your attention to the upcoming parent consultations scheduled for next Wednesday and Thursday. These meetings provide an opportunity to discuss your child's progress and well-being. If you have not yet secured an appointment, I strongly encourage you to do so at your earliest convenience.

As we continue to nurture the academic, physical, and personal development of our pupils, I am continually impressed by their enthusiasm, resilience, and achievements. Thank you for your ongoing support.

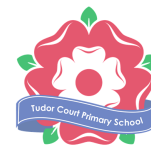
Enjoy the weekend.

*Phil Kyriacou*

**Head Teacher**



# Congratulations....



## Attendance Trophy Awards

Well done to all of the classes who have won the Attendance Trophy!! Keep up the good work!

### Week Beginning 30th September:

Year	Class	Teacher	%	Wins
R	3	Mrs Evans	97.7%	1st
I	6 8	Mrs Tedder Mrs Espin	98.3%	2nd 1st
2	9	Ms Routley	97.4%	2nd
3	13	Mrs Leach	99.0%	1st
4	15	Mrs Sukutiene	99.3%	1st
5	19	Mrs Long	96.2%	1st
6	24	Miss Kirby	98.7%	2nd

### Week Beginning 7th October:

Year	Class	Teacher	%	Wins
R	3	Mrs Evans	96.9%	2nd
I	7	Mrs Waller	94.5%	1st
2	9	Mrs Routley	93.0%	3rd
3	13	Mrs Leach	99.3%	2nd
4	15	Mrs Sukutiene	99.3%	2nd
5	19	Mrs Long	99.0%	2nd
6	22	Mrs El Maghraby & Miss Clark	98.0%	1st



## Sports Certificates and Trophies

Congratulations to the children who have been awarded a sports award certificate and trophy, as nominated by Miss Woodford:

### Week Beginning 30th September:

Year	Name
I	Hollie C
2	Anita-Grace F
3	Olivia-Rose M
4	Teddy T, Theo R, Patrick D, Iris C
5	Mila F
6	Chizobe E

### Week Beginning 7th October:

Year	Name
I	Meadow H
2	Aiza N
3	Emily R
5	Carys M



## Secondary School Admissions

**Important information – applying for a secondary school place for September 2025**

You must apply for a secondary school place for your child between 1st September and 31st October 2025.

Please click the Apply Online button below to start your application.

[Apply Online](#)

## Jadon O - Class 17

Jadon competed in the Mo Minithon (One Mo Mile) in the under 9 Athletics and finished 3rd overall and also took 1st place in javelin.

Jadon was very lucky to also meet Mo Farah on the day!!

Apologies to Jadon who featured in our last newsletter but some of the details were not correct.



## Alfie S - Class 17

Congratulations to Alfie who has received an award for being Most Improved Player for his Cricket team this year. (Belhus Cricket Club).

Alfie raised from 12th in bowling to 1st and 14th last year in batting up to 8th.

Alfie has also been chosen to attend the Essex Eagles Nest Cricket training to train at Essex.



## Macey L - Class 21

Macey and Aara were chosen to be part of team GB at The United Nations of Ju-Jitsu tournament in Germany and both girls achieved remarkable victories for Great Britain. Their parents are extremely proud that they had the opportunity to represent their country.

Macey and Aara were very successful and demonstrated outstanding talent and determination. Macey won Gold and Silver medals from two of the three categories that she competed in and Aara secured a Gold medal in her event for Team GB.



## Mr Elliot E-Safety Tips

### What Parents Need to Know about In-Game Chat



Online gaming enjoys an ever-increasing level of popularity and many players are eager to connect with one another as they enjoy a friendly competition or go for the win side by side. Whether it is to strategise and coordinate, or simply have a chat as you indulge in your hobby, the fact remains that plenty of games now offer means for their players to talk to one another, be that in a text or voice format.

Unfortunately, this functionality – which is used to connect with strangers just as often as it is with friends – poses several risks to younger players, and it's vital for parents to understand these safety concerns. The guide at the end of the newsletter offers advice on the issues that may arise when using in-game chat, and lets you know how to safeguard your child as they make use of this technology.

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

Mrs Wright once again organised a Coffee Morning in school to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Staff were asked to donate cakes in exchange for donations. We also had samosas and spring rolls donated as a special treat.

Mrs Wright's aim was to raise £250 but with the help of our staff she managed to raise an amazing £345!!



## Job Vacancies at Tudor Court

We currently have the following vacancies at our school.

### School Business Manager

and

### SEN - Learning Support Assistant

For details on both roles, please visit Essex School Jobs:  
[www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk](http://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk)

If you have any questions or would like to visit our school, please contact Mrs Emma Wheatley on 01375 480662 option 4 or email on [office@tudorcourtprimary.com](mailto:office@tudorcourtprimary.com)

Tudor Court is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment in working with children.

## School Lunch Bookings & Payments

### IMPORTANT REMINDER

All school lunch bookings **must** be made by parents via the Weduc App. School lunches can be booked in advance and up to **8:00am** on the day.

When booking lunches on the app, you pay for the meal at the time of booking. This helps parents and the school keep on top of purse balances and arrears.

If you need any assistance on how to do this, please contact the school office.

Please note, we would never see a child go hungry for financial reasons. If you are having trouble paying for school meals, please contact Mrs Wheatley via: [office@tudorcourtprimary.com](mailto:office@tudorcourtprimary.com) to discuss.

