



Sport Relief will have happened today with many laps run and miles totalled in aid of funding projects in both Africa and here in the UK. Thanks in advance for all the donations. Check website for up-to-date information on whether we beat our 2012 total of 1025 miles!!

- ◇ Congratulations to Mrs Green on the new addition to her family—she gave birth to a baby boy on 10th March and all are doing well.
- ◇ We've raised £538 so far as part of our Readathon. Can all monies be handed in by Monday 24th March?
- ◇ Our top mathematicians represented the school in the Essex competition and finished 4th. On the website you can have a go at some of the questions they had to answer!
- ◇ We proudly sent 4 gymnastics teams to the Interschool competition last week including one team made up exclusively of boys. They all performed very well with some excellent techniques demonstrated.



◇ As part of our World Book day celebrations, we enabled a visit from a theatre company who put on 'A Moment in Time' in two performances across the whole school. Inspiring stuff!

◇ Teachers are noticing that school bags are generally getting bigger and bigger. Can we please use small pencil cases with a few colouring pencils and a small ruler? Thanks!

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Wednesday 26th March Planned Industrial Action

The school is **not** anticipating to be affected by the planned industrial action by the NUT; open as usual.

We are looking forward to participating in our Easter service at the Church of Our Saviour on Wednesday 2nd April. Unfortunately there is not enough room for parents to attend but photos will be taken and shared.



Governance Update

The Curriculum Committee met last week to take their termly look at the current academic performance of the school. Governors also heard about the planned new curriculum in Sept 2014. A full Governing Body meeting is due next week as well as an important visit by 3 Governors to look at how 'reading' has been moved on this term.

Local Events



- Easter Basketball academy at Brentwood in the Holidays — www.championsacademy.co.uk
- Chelmsford Ballet Company present the Nutcracker Suite 19/03/2014 to 22/03/2014 @ Chelmsford Civic Theatre
- Annual Parish Assembly for Springfield will be held on 7th May @ 7:30pm at Bowers Hall, Springfield Parish Centre, CM1 6GX



Friends of Barnes Farm Schools Update



We have had some designs handed in for the new logo—any more? The closing date is the end of this term.

CRAFT FAIR—There are still some tickets left at both school offices for the Easter Craft morning on 29th March 10am-12pm. This is always an enjoyable event with lots of new craft activities planned by the FOBFS volunteers. Do you have any yoghurt pots or plastic containers that can be used as glue pots? Please send in to either school.

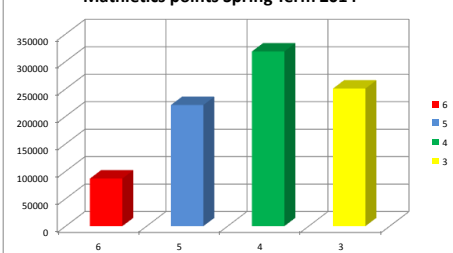
Please support these events as they raise money directly for the school. The Junior School target is to buy some more fiction books for our new library area. Thanks

Other Key dates

- Fri 4th April** Last day of Spring Term
- Tues 22nd April** Non-Pupil Day 4
- Weds 23rd April** Pupils return
- Mon 5th May** Bank Holiday
- Thurs 22nd May** Polling Day—School Open
- Fri 23rd May** Non-Pupil Day 5
- Mon 2nd June** Return from half term
- Tues 22nd July** End of Term
- Weds 3rd Sept** Non-Pupil Day 1
- Thurs 4th Sept** Pupils return
- Fri 24th Oct** Non-Pupil Day 2

MATHLETICS Mathletics Year Group Challenge

Mathletics points Spring Term 2014



Mathletics points for the weekly Hall of Fame are now calculated for the whole week. Y4 are still in the lead for the term so far!