

WENTWORTH PRIMARY

NEWSLETTER 8

27th March 2026, www.wentworth.essex.sch.uk

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to the Easter holidays after a busy term at Wentworth including World Book Day, Red Nose Day, sports fixtures and a school trip to Colchester Zoo.

We wish you all a lovely Easter break and hope the sun shines! We return to school on Tuesday 14th April 2026 at 8.40am.

Kind regards,
Mrs Dack



'Striving for Excellence'

WORLD BOOK WEEK

We had lots of fun activities to celebrate World Book Day including a storyteller visiting school, the book fair, visits to Maldon Library and class walks to Maldon Books. The children looked amazing!., thank you for your help with costumes. The children were complimented for their outstanding behaviour and manners at Maldon Books.



SCHOOL MEAL PRICE INCREASE

Please note that from 14th April 2026, the price of a school meal will go up from £2.70 to £3.00. This increase has been agreed by the School Governors to cover increased food and staffing costs. This is not a decision we take lightly; we try to keep all costs to parents as low as possible. School meals for children in EYFS and years 1 and 2 are free for all pupils, as they are funded by the government. Please do take up this benefit.

MOTHERS' DAY STALLS

A very big thank you to all the children who came along to the Mothers' Day stalls and purchased something special for mums, nans and aunties. The stalls were a real success. Thank you to the PTA for organising and running this popular event.



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Parent and Child swimming lesson Summer term

16th April - 9th July 2026
Excluding 28th May
First lesson FREE for new customers!



Wentworth Primary
School, Maldon



£8.50 per
lesson

9:30-10:00
10:00-10:30

Email for more information:
kayosborne@hotmail.com

SWIMMING AND CLUBS

After the Easter holidays, swimming and school run clubs will resume the week commencing 20th April 2026.

Karate - starts 15th April

Tag Rugby - starts 20th April

Mandarin - starts 20th April

Happy Healthy Minds - starts 15th April

KS2 Football - starts 15th April

Badminton - starts 16th April

KS1 Football - starts 17th April

Please note that Year 6 **will not** be swimming this term.

Foundation children will start their swimming lessons on Tuesday 21st April 2026.

Swimming contributions can be paid on School Gateway.

SATs BREAKFAST - w/c 11th MAY 2026

All year 6 pupils are invited to come in to school and enjoy breakfast Monday to Friday before they start their SATs exams. There is no charge for this. Pupils should arrive at school for 8.15am where they will be met by their teacher.



COMIC RELIEF

Thank you for all your support raising £338.50 for Comic Relief - we appreciate every donation.



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CITIZENS OF THE TERM

The following pupils have been awarded Citizen of the Term by their classmates and teacher. This is for being a good role model to others; excelling in their school work over the term; following our school rules to be kind, safe and responsible; and striving for excellence in their work.

F1 Darcie, F2 Brody, 1Q Hallie, 1W Alfie, 2HL Cassia, 2WR Harry, 3A Violet, 3F Kellie-Anne, 3W Rosie, 4N Emily, 4SK Rose, 5P Antoni, 5PA Belle, 6P Chloe, 6S Maisie.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Pupils from years 3–6 proudly represented Wentworth at the Blackwater Consortium Cross Country Competition. Competing against many other schools, our runners showed determination and true team spirit—cheering each other on and giving it their all!



CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Parents and carers are invited to come and see their child's work at their class assembly. These assemblies start at 2.40pm in the Millennium Hall.

1W - 23rd Apr F1 - 30th April F2 - 7th May



STAFFING

Today we said a sad goodbye to Mrs Craven, our PE specialist, who is leaving us to spend time with her son. Mrs Craven has taught here for over 13 years and has helped many pupils find their love of PE and talents in sports.

On 30th April, we will say goodbye to Mrs Marshall, our Early Years teacher. She will be taking up a promotion as a Local Authority Early Years Advisor. We are very proud of Mrs Marshall and it has been a privilege to work with her over the past 14 years.

On 20th May, Mr Sollars will be retiring as our Site Manager. He has been an excellent member of staff, ensuring pupils at Wentworth have the very best environment to learn in. He will still be attending the Year 6 residential trip, so will not be a stranger!

We thank all these staff for their years of service and making Wentworth such an excellent learning environment for pupils. They will all be greatly missed.

*Thanks For
Everything*

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SCHOOL UNIFORM

As we move into warmer months, we wanted to remind pupils of the summer uniform.

Our colours are navy blue and white. We request that one item has a school logo for safeguarding requirements. The uniform is as follows:

Winter:

- Navy fleece (reversible shower-proof fleece is available from our supplier)
- Navy sweatshirt or cardigan
- White polo shirt with a collar (logo optional)
- Grey (not charcoal grey or black) trousers, skirts or culottes (not fitted shorts or tight fitted fashion trousers)
- Black shoes (no trainers, high heels or sling backs)
- Navy or grey tights
- White socks

Summer:

- Light blue and white striped or checked dress
- Navy sweatshirt or cardigan
- Grey (not charcoal grey or black) shorts, skirts or culottes
- Black shoes (no trainers, high heels, sling backs or jellies)
- White socks

PE Kit: Children will wear their PE kit to school on days when they have a PE lesson or are attending an after school club.

- White round collar t-shirt (logo optional)
- Navy blue shadow-stripe shorts
- Black plimsolls for indoor use and on the playground
- Trainers for outdoor PE or after school clubs
- Navy jogging bottoms/tracksuit (for cold weather)
- Navy school jumper

Swimming:

- A sensible swimming costume – a one-piece swimsuit or tight-fitted Lycra shorts
- A swimming cap (available for purchase from the school office) – no material caps
- A large towel
- A swimming bag

Other Items:

- An appropriately sized waterproof book bag (bags with the school logo are available to purchase from the school office)
- A clear water bottle

Jewellery

The only permitted jewellery that may be worn is:

- One pair of stud earrings
- A small, quiet wristwatch (not a smartwatch)

Jewellery is the responsibility of the pupil and not the school. Lost or damaged items will not be replaced. All jewellery, including religious pieces, must be removed during practical lessons, such as PE.

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If children cannot remove their own earrings, then this should be done at home on the day of PE. We recommend that pupils get their ears pierced at the start of the summer holidays to avoid missing any PE or swimming sessions during the school year. Jewellery for medical purposes may be worn.

Hairstyles

Hairstyles should be smart and moderate in style. Brightly coloured hair is not permitted on normal school days. Long hair should be tied up. This is to avoid health and safety risks and ensure that children's vision is not impeded. Large, excessive hair accessories should not be worn; however, small hair clips or plain headbands are acceptable. At the Headteacher's discretion, there may be exceptions to the above for different circumstances (e.g. a pupil may be permitted to cover their hair if they have hair loss/illness or as part of their religion). Items that bear the school logo can be purchased through: <http://classembroidery.co.uk>

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2026

30th March - 10th April	EASTER HOLIDAY
13th April	Inset Day
14th April	Pupils return 8.40am
23rd April	1W Class assembly 2.40pm Millennium Hall - please attend
30th April	F1 Class assembly 2.40pm Millennium Hall - please attend
4th May	BANK HOLIDAY
5th May	Pupils return 8.40am
7th May	F2 Class assembly 2.40pm Millennium Hall - please attend
w/c 11th May	Year 6 SATs - breakfast served to year 6 pupils at 8.15am
15th May	Year 6 Residential talk, 2.30pm in Viking Hall - please attend
18th May	Class photographs - children should wear school uniform. If your child has PE or after school club please could they bring kit to change in to
20th May	PTA Disco (non-uniform day) KS1 3.15-4.15pm, KS2 4.30-5.30pm
22nd May	INSET DAY (FRIDAY)
25th-29th May	HALF TERM
1st June	8.40am pupils and staff return to school
1st to 3rd June	Year 6 residential trip to Danbury Outdoors, please arrive at school at 8am
10th June	9.15-10am New Intake meeting with parents (1 of 4)
10th June	2pm Music Concert, Viking Hall - please attend if your child receives music lessons in school or is part of the choir.
17th June	9.15-10am New Intake meeting with parents (2 of 4)
18th & 19th June	PTA Fathers' Day Stalls - please bring money in a named envelope
19th June	Year 4 trip to Colchester Castle
24 th June	9.15-10am New Intake meeting with parents - Mill Hall (3 of 4)
24th June	Year 6 - Plume transition day

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26th June	PTA Summer Fun Day (non-uniform)
29 th June	Reports card sent home
29 th June	9.30am and 1.30pm Year 6 production (details to follow)
1 st July	9.15-10am New Intake session (children only)
2 nd July	9.15-10.15am Pupils meet their new Teacher
2 nd July	Open Evening 3.15-5.30pm - please come and look around the school
6th July	Sports morning 9.15-10.15am - EYFS and Year 1 (please attend)
6th July	Year 6 Enterprise Fair will be held on the playground - parents of year 6 pupils welcome to attend at 2.30pm
7th July	Sports morning 9.15-10.15am - Years 2 and 3 (please attend)
8th July	Sports morning 9.15-10.15am - Years 4, 5 and 6 (please attend)
14 th July	Year 5 trip to Thorndon Country Park
16th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 9.15am Viking Hall (tickets will be bookable online)
17th July	Last day of term - Year 6 Leavers walk out 3pm
20th July	Inset day - no pupils
21st July - 2nd Sept	SUMMER HOLIDAYS
1 st September	Inset Day - no pupils
2 nd September	8.40am Pupils return to school

