

Clubs & After School Boosters

Clubs

All clubs (apart from the YMCA Tea-Time club) for Spring term have now ended. If your child attended a club this term, please make sure they are collected at the correct time of 3.25/3.35pm so that they are not left waiting.

Boosters

Year 2 & 6 after school boosters for the spring term ended yesterday. These boosters will restart for the summer term straight after the Easter holidays on Thursday 18th April and will run until Thursday 9th May 2024.

"A Gentle
Reminder"

Celebrating Different Faiths

Ramadan

On the evening of Sunday 10th March, the holy month of Ramadan began for Muslims.

So what is Ramadan?

Ramadan is a very important time in the Islamic calendar, and Muslims all over the world take part. During the month of Ramadan, Muslims do not eat or drink between dawn and sunset. This is called fasting. For Muslims, fasting is important during Ramadan as they believe it allows them to devote themselves to their faith and come closer to Allah.

Fasting is one of the Five Pillars of Islam, which form the basis of how Muslims live their lives. The other Pillars of Islam are:
faith, prayer, charity and making the pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca.

Each day at the end of the fast, when the sun has gone down, families and friends will get together for iftar to break their fast.

For Muslims, Ramadan is also a time for spiritual reflection, prayer, doing good deeds such as giving charity and spending time with family and friends.

There is a special festival to mark the end of Ramadan. This is called Eid al-Fitr - the Festival of the Breaking of the Fast. Muslims will not only celebrate the end of fasting, but will also thank Allah for the help and strength that they were given throughout the previous month.

Lent

This year Lent started on 14th February and will end on 31st March, Easter Sunday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the 40 days of Lent (not including Sundays), leading up to Easter.

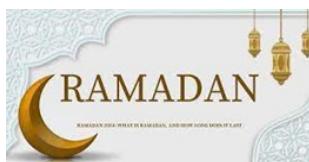
So what is Lent?

Lent is a period of 40 days where (in some Christian faith), Christians remember the events leading up to and including the death of Jesus Christ, whose life and teachings are the foundation of Christianity.

During Lent, many Christians decide to do a Lenten fast and give something up that they love like chocolate, sweets, coffee or even using social media. Some Christians will also take part in fasting during the day, breaking their fast each evening. They do this during Lent as a sign of sacrifice and to test their self-discipline.

Lent is also a time for doing charitable deeds, like feeding the homeless or making an effort to do nice things for their family and friends.

As you can see, many faiths have different beliefs but have very similar traditions and morals.



Attendance 4th March - 8th March 2024

Well done to the following classes for achieving the highest attendance percentage in their Year Groups :- over 96%. The minimum target for attendance each week as set by the Government is 96%.

Year group	Class	Attendance
Year 1	Palm	100%
Year 2	Sassafras	91%
Year 3	Willow	98.9%
Year 4	Cedar	97.3%
Year 5	Beech	97.9%
Year 6	Olive	99.3%



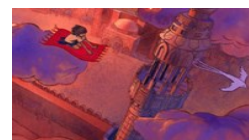
Well done to Palm class for getting 100% attendance. During the above period our overall school attendance was **96.5%**.

Whole school English Project Coming Soon!

Last week we asked you to imagine opening a door to somewhere magical. Put yourself there. Who would you meet? What would they look like? Are they even human?!

Our upcoming whole school English project will be asking you all to imagine these places and the people you would meet. And then we will want you to share your amazing ideas with us.

Stay tuned for more information about our latest creative project!



Mauritius Independence Day



This week on Tuesday 12th March is was Mauritius Independence day In Mauritius the day is marked as is national holiday and a time to commemorate the country's independence from Britain in 1968 and its transition to a republic in 1992.

Mauritius Day is celebrated with a colourful parade, including a military parade with the national anthem.

Mauritius is a beautiful subtropical island country in the Indian Ocean, just over 1,130 kilometres east of Madagascar, off the south-eastern coast of Africa.

We would like to wish all our Mauritian families and members of the school community a belated happy independence day.

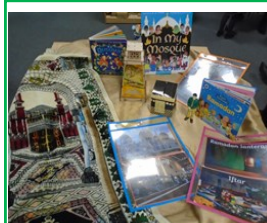
Happy St Patrick's Day

This Sunday is St Patrick's Day. St Patrick's Day is a religious and cultural holiday held on 17th March in Ireland. St Patrick's Day is the national day of Ireland. The day is celebrated around the world by millions of people, Irish and not-so-Irish.

We wish all our Irish families and members of the school community a Happy St Patricks Day for this weekend.



Nursery Learn about Ramadan



To celebrate the start of Ramadan, the Nursery children have been learning all about this special month for Muslims. We have created crafts, read stories, explored religious objects and learnt about fasting. Some children shared how their families observed Ramadan and we had the chance to taste some dates! They were very sweet!

Well Done to Chase Lane Football Team

This week on Wednesday after school, our Year 5 and 6 football squad took on Ainslie Wood school in a match on our astro turf pitch.

It was an excellent game with both teams playing some brilliant attacking football, as well as making some great tackles and saves. The game ended with Chase Lane as the winners, with a score of 7-1 which included some fantastic goals!

After Easter there will be a rematch between the two schools, with the other half of our school squad playing in that game. We are all looking forward to it!

Well done Chase Lane and a big thank you to Ainslie Wood school for coming to play us.



Book Week Competition Winners

Thankyou to all those who entered the Poetry/Nursery Rhyme Character competition during Book Week. We had lots of amazing entries and it was very difficult to choose from so many. However, these children are our winners and they will receive a national book token gift card in assembly:

Praise - Apples- Nursery
Mohsin - Eucalyptus- Year 1
Afron - Hazel- Year 3
Angelina - Sequoia- Year 5

June - Ash- Reception
Teddy - Sassafras- Year 2
Deniz - Cherry- Year 4
Anaya - Olive- Year 6



Well done to you all. You can check out their amazing entries on pages 4 & 5 of this newsletter.

Fun Fact

If you read for just 20 minutes a day, you will have read 1.8 million words in a year. ...You will turn into a human dictionary!



Week 2 Dinner Menu 18th March - 22nd March

Next week's dinner menu will be **WEEK 2**. Please click the link to view it: https://walthamforestcatering.co.uk/sites/default/files/2024-01/WFC_Primary_Menu_Winter_Menu_2024.pdf

Waltham Forest Resident's News

Click the link to view the latest Waltham Forest Residents news:

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKWALTHAM/bulletins/3802419>

Save South Chingford Library

Please help save South Chingford Community Library (SCCL) 265 Chingford Mount Road, London, E4 8LP from closure. Waltham Forest closed the Council run South Chingford Library in 2011, and after the local community and councillors campaigned to the council from, South Chingford Community Library was formed in 2012.



It is now at risk of closure and we need your help to save it. Please click the link below to sign the petition to save it

https://www.petitiononline.uk/save_south_chingford_community_library?fbclid=IwAR3vObI5huNnxY4pbw3gQaQWCCQxGjkUB8GOzd2SYavK4zVuo5xF7Yndn_Yo

Joke of The Week

Q what day of the week are most twins born on?

A. Twos-day.



End of Term Early Closure



Polite reminder that the school will **close 1 hour earlier** than usual on **Thursday 28th March** for the Easter holidays. Please set yourself a reminder so that your child/children are not left waiting in the school office.

Dates for the Diary

Any additions/changes to the diary dates are highlighted in **purple** text

Spring Term 2 - 2024 Monday 19th February - Thursday 28th March 2024

Saturday 16th March 10.00am Waltham Forest Orion Harriers Primary School Cross Country - Chingford Plains

Monday 18th March Whole School Parent Consultations

Tuesday 19th March Nursery Parent Consultations

Wednesday 20th March Nursery Parent Consultations

Thursday 21st March Whole School Parent Consultations

Friday 22nd March 8.30am - 9.30am School Nurse Drop-In (by pre-booked appointment)

Friday 22nd March Year 2 trip Sassafras William Morris Gallery trip - 11:45am returning at 3:30pm

Tuesday 26th March Year 2 trip Baobab class William Morris Gallery trip - 9.00am returning at 1.00pm
Year 2 trip Acacia class William Morris Gallery trip - 11:45am returning at 3:30pm

Wednesday 27th March Year 3 & 5 Performance Shiny Hall
Morning performance 9.15am Afternoon performance 2.45pm

Thursday 28th March Last day of Spring term - school will close 1 hour earlier

Easter Break Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April

Tuesday 2nd April - Friday 5th April Easter School for Year 6 Week 1

Monday 8th April - Thursday 11th April Easter School for Year 6 Week 2

Summer Term 1 - 2024 Monday 15th April - Friday 24th May 2024

Monday 15th April 8.45am School reopens for Summer term

Monday 22nd April 9.30am - 12pm Reception Height & Weight checks

Friday 26th April 2.30pm - 3.30pm School Nurse Drop-In (by pre-booked appointment)

Friday 10th May PTA Year 2 & 3 Disco (details to follow)

Friday 17th May PTA Year 4 & 5 Disco (details to follow)

Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May Year 6 SATs week

Monday 20th May - Friday 24th May Year 6 Activity week

Tuesday 21st May 2.30pm Parents Forum meeting - meeting room

Friday 24th May PTA Whole School Pyjama day (details to follow)

Whitsun half-term break Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

Summer Term 2 - 2024 Monday 3rd June - Wednesday 24th July 2024

Sunday 7th July PTA Summer Fair

Friday 19th July Year 6 Leavers Disco

Wednesday 24th July Last day of term - school will close 1 hour earlier for summer holidays

Book Week Competition Winners

EYFS Book Week Competition - Can you think about all the different nursery rhymes we have shared this week - which is your favourite one? Can you draw a picture to show this below?

Name Praise Age 4 years
Class Apples

Please hand into your class teacher by 11th March.



EYFS Book Week Competition - Can you think about all the different nursery rhymes we have shared this week - which is your favourite one? Can you draw a picture to show this below?

Name Jane Lowe Age 5
Class ash

Please hand into your class teacher by 11th March.



Book Week Competition - Can you write a short poem about your favourite colour and draw a picture? This can be any type of poem and it doesn't have to rhyme! Think about the different poems you have shared in class this week.

Name Mohsin (Mohsin Sarood) Eucalyptus Age 5
Class eucalyptus Please hand into your class teacher by 11th March.

my house has blue lights
I like to fly my blue kite
I like the blue sky
I wish I could fly
blue is the best
better than the rest.



Book Week Competition - Can you write a short poem about your favourite colour and draw a picture? This can be any type of poem and it doesn't have to rhyme! Think about the different poems you have shared in class this week.

Name Teddy Teddy Mason Age 7
Class saasatra Please hand into your class teacher by 11th March.

Orange like the fruit
Orange - like a carrot
Orange - like the leaves that fall
Orange - like a pumpkin
orange - like a basketball
orange - like the flames



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Name Aaron Age 7
Class Harzei Please hand into your class teacher by 11th March.

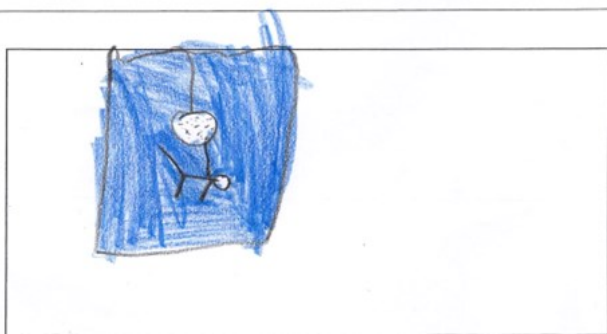
Blue

The flood

In the shower

What happened in here

Blocked



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Name Deniz Age 9
Class Cherry Please hand into your class teacher by 11th March.

Blue, a colour, calm and sweet,

In every place, a joy to meet,

And in a world of blue, so bright and true,

Beneath the sky so big and blue.



Book Week Competition - Can you write a short poem about your favourite colour and draw a picture? This can be any type of poem and it doesn't have to rhyme! Think about the different poems you have shared in class this week.

Name Angelina Age 10
Class Sequoia Please hand into your class teacher by 11th March.

My favorite colour is pink,
a strawberry milkshake is what I like to
drink,
my pink socks always stink,
all I like to think about is the colour pink.
I love pink because it is a bright colour,
purple and brown are much duller. it
reminds me of sticky candy floss,



any other colour makes me cross!

Book Week Competition - Can you write a short poem about your favourite colour and draw a picture? This can be any type of poem and it doesn't have to rhyme! Think about the different poems you have shared in class this week.

Name Anaya Burney Age 11
Class Olive Please hand into your class teacher by 11th March.

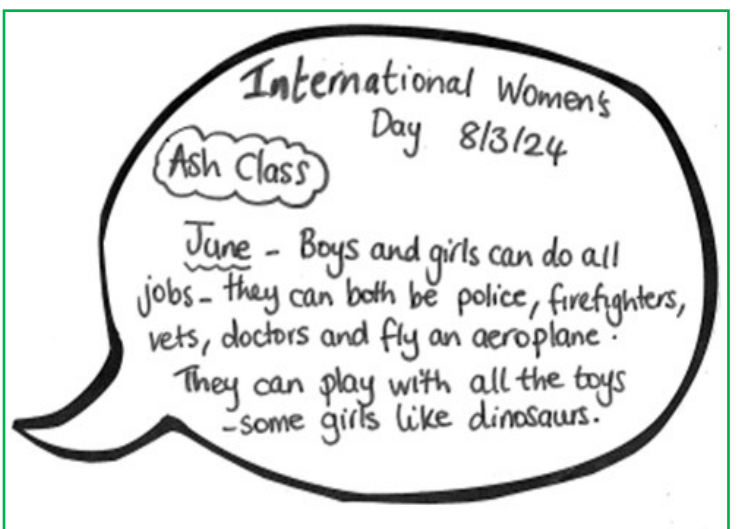
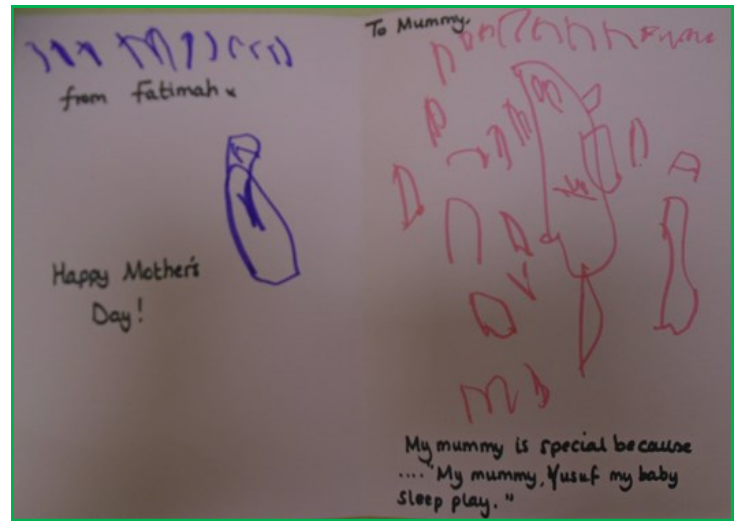
Some people's favourite colour is black, white or sage.
But mine! It's simply just beige.
You might see it in a house, a flat or beach
Beige is the best colour, that's what I'm here to teach.
If words could describe all of the colour's flaws
Then why would people invent beige hair ties and handbags?
I hope you can feel my admiration through the page
And no, this isn't an "11 year old girl's stage".
I have loved beige for over a year
I've almost turned my room beige, yes I'm very near
Next time someone asks you "black white or sage?"
Think outside the box and say BEIGE BEIGE BEIGE.

Sage or beige



International Women's Day

Last week on International Women's Day, Years 1 - 6 took part in philosophical debates about the advert 'Like a Girl' where gender stereotypes are challenged. Each class thought of their own question to debate and discuss. Nursery and Reception also took part in some IWD activities. Here are some fantastic examples of their learning from across the school:



Ha85a

Hawthorn

My mum has
~~helped~~ helped me throughout my
life. Her job is a driving instructor
and has to get up really early for
lessons and comes home quite late from
work. My mum inspires me because
she is so hard working and has
so much responsibilities c-
ompared to me.

Hawthorn

My mum because
she ^{used to} works ~~as~~ as a bus
driver and she used to
help me read books. In addition
Zephari Benjamin because he ~~me~~
made me want to learn more
about poetry.

Renee

My Mum

because she teaches me not to do the
wrong things and do good things. Also my mum
wakes me up for school. My mum also takes care of
me. In addition she feeds me.

Abdullah

Question: Should there be an international men day

My first thought:

My thoughts are that men shouldn't have there own day because they are already respected and given a wide range of jobs to pick from although women aren't as lucky and being excluded from certain jobs that men are allowed to do.

Someone else said...:

Someone else said yes because if men don't have there own day it might reverse and men will have to fight for there own equal rights like women did.

Final thought:

After listening to my class I now have changed my mind and think that they should have there own day as men's don't always get treated fairly ever and we should celebrate what they have done for there country

Mastery: How could we challenge gender stereotypes in our school?

At school we should have mixed football groups so girls can have more of a advantage or help to play sports

Question: Should there be an international men day?

My first thought:

I think there shouldn't be international men day because mens have alot of things to do in the past but girls had to just stay home and clean whin.

However Someone else said...:

Some of the boys and girls said that there should International men day because some mens are starting to get treated unfair.

Final thoughts:

After listening to my class I now think that there should be international men day because if there is international women and men day everyone will get treated equally.

Mastery: How could we challenge gender stereotypes in our school?

I think we can challenge stereotype in school by having mixed football teams to show that girls are good at football to.

Friday 8th March 2024

Yasmine Elm class

Challenge and question gender stereotypes

Is it ever ok to judge someone by their gender by being sexist?

First thought:

No it is not ok to judge someone by there gender because everyone has a talent and a passion and you never know maybe someone has an amazing talent that you don't know about. Or maybe they haven't even achieved there talent so it is not ok to be sexist.

Final thought:

I still think it is not ok to judge someone by there gender because people can't tell you what you can't do or can not do and if they do they are wrong.

Today we have aimed to be caring collaborative, critical

Thursday 7th March 2024

Ashwin Elm class

Challenge and question gender stereotypes

Is it ever ok to judge someone by their gender by being sexist?

I don't think you should judge anyone of any thing but the only thing men can not quickly do is to give birth to a child. Even though there are in the process of it but they don't give birth to the child. And for a better example is gymnastics. Gymnastics is one of those sports which a lot of people think its only for girls but boys can do. And what about flexibility girls can be flexible on maybe some people think girls can be flexible and only boys can but I think boys and girls can do gymnastics and can be flexible.

I still believe what I thought because but here are some other ideas I also agree which like not only boys can wear bloom.

Today we aimed to be caring creative and collaborative.



WALTHAM FOREST HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME

EASTER 2024

2 APRIL - 12 APRIL

ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 5-16 AND IN RECEIPT OF BENEFIT-RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

This Easter we have the opportunity for you to try a wide range of free activities, have fun, make friends and enjoy a free meal every day across the borough.

To book your place and find out more scan here:



or visit WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/HOLIDAYS

Booking is essential on all activities so book early to avoid disappointment

For queries please contact the Waltham Forest Holiday Activity Programme team on:

WFOHOLIDAYACTIVITYPROGRAMME@WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK

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EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD CAMP

ARE YOU IN RECEIPT OF BENEFIT RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Do you live or go to a school in Waltham Forest?

Do you live or go to a school in Redbridge?

Are you aged between 8-14 years old?

Are you aged between 11-16 years old? (secondary school)

REGISTER NOW

SCORE Leisure Centre, E10 5JY

Week One: 2nd - 5th April
Week Two: 8th - 12th April
10:00am - 3:00pm

REGISTER NOW

Loxford Leisure Centre, IG1 2UT

Week One: 2nd - 5th April
1:00pm - 5:00pm

FREE SPORTS, ARTS & CRAFTS AND YOUTH ZONE ACTIVITIES + FREE HOT MEALS

SCAN THE QR CODE OR BOOK VIA: WWW.EEQU.ORG AND SEARCH - LEYTON ORIENT TRUST





HALF TERM FOOTBALL

8TH-11TH APRIL 2024

10:00AM-2:00PM

SESSIONS ARE DELIVERED BY QUALIFIED MULTI-SPORTS & FA COACHES AND ALL STAFF ARE DBS CHECKED

MULTI-SPORTS INCLUDE: BASKETBALL, ROUNDEERS, CRICKET, FOOTBALL, HANDBALL MINI TENNIS, BADMINTON AND ATHLETICS

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1 PAVILION WALK, LEYTON
LONDON E10 5UE

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FURTHER INFO:
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EASTER BEACH VOLLEYBALL CAMP

8th-11th April 2024 10am - 3pm

Learn new skills, make new friends and have fun during the school holidays!

Beyond beach volleyball, kids will enjoy games, team-building activities and other exciting challenges on our sandy courts.

Ages: 8-16

Prices:

- 1 day £25
- 4 days £85

You can sign up for as many days you want, discount only applies if all 4 days booked.

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access via:
Ive Farm Close, E10 5HQ or Orient Way E10 5UE

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Easter Holiday Gymnastics Short Courses at Walthamstow Leisure Centre



5 – 7 years	8 + years
Friday 5 th of April 2 - 4pm	Wednesday 3 rd of April 2 - 4pm
Friday 12 th of April 2 - 4pm	Wednesday 8 th of April 2 - 4pm

Price - £12.50

Available to book now on Better App or Better website

<https://betterflow.courseprogress.co.uk>

Come along and try out our fun packed gymnastics lessons or improve on existing gymnastics skills! Everyone is welcome

Please note places are limited we recommend booking early to avoid disappointment.

How to find us

Walthamstow Leisure Centre
Markhouse Rd, London E17 8RN



For more info email: walthamstow@gll.org

WALTHAMSTOW LEISURE CENTRE JUNIOR BASKETBALL EASTER HOLIDAY

- Activities include dribbling, shooting, ball control, passing, team work and general fitness. Basketball is a great way to improve discipline, social skills and physical fitness. All sessions are coached by a level 2 qualified basketball coach with over 10 years' experience in coaching under 16s.

Tuesday 2 nd and 9 th April 2024	2-3pm (11-14 Years Old)	3-4pm (14-16 Years Old)
Wednesday 3 rd and 10 th April 2024	1-2pm (6-7 Years Old)	2-3pm (8-10 Years Old)

- Cost - £6.30 per session
- To book. Please go to <https://betterflow.courseprogress.co.uk>

How to find us

Walthamstow Leisure
Markhouse Rd,
London E17 8RN
Tel: 020 8520 7464

For more information

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walthamstow@gll.org



EASTER CAMP 2024

TIME 9:30am - 3pm
9am drop available

PRICE £15 per day
Full week discounts online

Book online in advance for discounts & packages!
WWW.CGACOACHINGUK.COM

WEEK 1
TUESDAY - FRIDAY
2ND APRIL - 5TH APRIL

WEEK 2
MONDAY - FRIDAY
8TH APRIL - 12TH APRIL

Boys and Girls
Ages 5-14
Packed lunch required
Drinks & Snacks available
Indoor & Outdoor facilities

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EASTER SPORTS CAMP

2nd APR - 12th APR

Handsworth Primary School
Handsworth Ave, Chingford, E4 9PJ

TUES 2nd APR: EASTER FUN DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter Egg Treasure Hunt Egg and Spoon Race Eggcellent Dodgeball Big team Rounders
WED 3rd APR: NINJA WARRIOR DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Camouflage Timed Challenges Obstacle Courses Balance & Agility Training
THUR 4th APR: TOURNAMENT DAY!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kickball Cricket Athletics Benchball
FRI 5th APR: FOOTBALL & MULTI GAMES DAY!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi Sports Team Matches Super Skill School Penalty Shoot Outs

MON 8th APR:
OLYMPICS DAY!

- Wacky Races
- Throwing Challenges
- Fun Field Events
- Gymnastics

TUES 9th APR:
EASTER FUN DAY

- Easter Egg Treasure Hunt
- Egg and Spoon Race
- Eggcellent Dodgeball
- Big team Baseball

WED 10th APR:
NINJA WARRIOR DAY

- Camouflage
- Timed Challenges
- Obstacle Courses
- Balance & Agility Training

THUR 11th APR:
BOUNCY CASTLE DAY

- Bouncy Fun
- Coach Challenge Games
- Creative Sports
- Castle Dodgeball

FRI 12th APR:
FOOTBALL & GYMNASTICS DAY

- Gym Routines
- The Euro Cup! (Trophy Giveaway)
- Jumping and Balancing
- The Goal Scoring Special

Welcome to our Easter Sports Camp Schedule!
Each day you can expect a number of different themed sports, games & activities, as well as even more Easter themed activities!

To book:
Visit www.superstarsport.co.uk, click "Book Now"
**There is a 4.5% platform fee on every booking*

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