



We Maths

We are all  
writers ...



We are growing  
our learning

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## Christmas Dinner @ Town and Abbey Field

On Tuesday 9th December, it's Christmas Dinner Day at our Town Site for children in Years 2/3/4 and Abbey Field for children in Year EYFS/Year 1. On Thursday 11th December, it's Christmas Dinner Day for children in Year 5/6.

What better way as we start off at school with our Christmas Festivities, than a Christmas dinner (Roast Turkey, Pigs in Blankets, Roast Potatoes, Vegetables, Gravy and Chocolate Cake). In addition, our PTA have also bought crackers for each of the children. We do need to order the turkey, so if you haven't booked the Christmas Dinner yet for your child, and they would like one please do so through either Office—but by Monday at the very latest. The Christmas Dinner costs £2.50, which is a bargain for all that food, unless you're in EYFS, Year 1/Year 2 in which case the government has already very kindly paid.

Oh and did I mention Christmas music too!

## TTRS—England Rocks

The children did amazingly with this, well done to each and every one of them. A huge thank you as well to those parents who supported their children at home in completing challenges. Thank you as well to Mr. Gilbranch who cajoled all the staff and children in really doing this. We were so close to first—please have a look below at the information Mr. Gilbranch has put together.

### AVERAGE SCORE STANDINGS

356th out of 4,356 all schools

331st out of 4,115 primary schools

35th out of 443 primary school in the East of England

2 classes in the top 50 primary classes (out of 3,050) in the East of England (25th Trinovantes and 30th Castle)

### TOTAL SCORE STANDINGS

26th out of 4,356 schools

22nd out of 4,115 primary schools

2nd out of 443 primary schools in the East of England

Trinovantes was 15th and Castle was 16th best total scoring class in the East of England

119,635 correctly answered questions on Wednesday

152,416 correctly answered questions on Thursday

164,105 correctly answered questions on Friday

Included the wrongly answered question, SJG answered over 500,000 (half a million) questions in three days. Just amazing!

## Year 5 (Year 6 Residential 2026)

Please remember that the first deposit payment for the Year 6 Residential in September 2026 of £70 is due today. Many thanks.

# Primary School

Learn to Live, Live to Learn

# Newsletter

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Newsletter date:

Friday 5th December 2025

Christmas Dinner T & AF

TTRS—England Rocks

Year 1 Castle Siege

Year 6 Squash

Year 5 Anglo Saxon

Assembly  
Theme for  
WB: 8/12/25  
Everyone's a  
Hero

## Term Dates

Monday 2nd September—Friday 19th December (Autumn Term).

Monday 5th January—First Day of Spring Term.

## Diary Dates

Thursday 11th December—AP1 Reports to Parents.

Tuesday 16th December—Year 6 Ancient Maya Dress up Day.

Thursday 18th December—Whole School Pyjama/Christmas Dress Up Day—No charge just fun.

Friday 19th December—Last Day of Autumn Term

## EYFS Christmas Production—'The Nativity'

Tuesday 9th December & Wednesday 10th December @ 10.00a.m. @ AF

## Year 2 Christmas Production—'Don't be Afraid'

Monday 15th December and Tuesday 16th December @ 1.45p.m. @ T

Wednesday 17th December @ 10.00a.m. @ T

(Separate letters have already been sent out to parents with regards to the productions and tickets)

## Year 6 Squash



Over a week ago now, some children from Year 6 had the amazing opportunity to represent their school in the Roman Cup squash competition. Playing schools from around Colchester, they set the bar high and made us all very proud, winning lots of points as a team. Roll on the finals next week!



## Year 5 Anglo Saxons

Year 5 celebrated their learning on the Anglo-Saxons with a dress up and activity day. They created shields, helmets and jewellery to adorn their outfits and then practised writing in runes. Tribe battles followed, with each class defending their territory before victory feasts of bread, honey and fruits. Fantastic efforts made by all and was a brilliant day to consolidate their learning.

## Awards

All awards this week are 'Including Others' - Collaborating Carlos!

Star—Ella, Jumbo—Esme, Chariot—Shavindu.

Eagles—Weston, Circus—Nahara, Roses—Thea.

Mercury—Violette, Claudius—Lucas, Romans—Allie.

Paxman—Matilda, Iceni—Raife, Dutch—Mabel.

Castle—Ellie, Cavalier—Armani, Garrison—Neave.

Oysters—Isaac, Magnets—Sidney, Raedwald—Anastasia.

Trinovantes—Dharma, Lathes—Ellis, Cymbeline—Emilie.

Attendance—Trinovantes/Garrison/Romans /Star

## Rights Respecting Schools

**Article 14 (freedom of thought, belief and religion)** Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practise their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights. Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents to guide

their child as they grow up.