



17 July 2026

SPORTS DAY

Thank you for supporting Sports Day, which was a huge success - we have had some lovely feedback and hope everyone who came along had as much fun as we all did!

SUNFLOWER COMPETITION WINNERS

Congratulations to Bertie for growing the tallest sunflower at over 8ft, and well done to Tanya too for the tallest staff sunflower.



RISERS

*Goodbye
and
Good Luck*

The Risers' leaving ceremony on Monday was wonderful, and they had a fantastic rest of the day, enjoying a tea-party themed afternoon. Although it's always emotional seeing our Risers leave, it's lovely to see them moving on to primary schools. Goodbye and good luck as they move onwards and upwards to 'big school'.



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND WORDS AND GIFTS. WE WISH YOU ALL A FANTASTIC SUMMER. FOR THOSE RETURNING, WE REOPEN ON WEDNESDAY, 2nd SEPTEMBER.

ACTIVE ESSEX - SUMMER EVENTS

[Active Essex](#) is the Physical Activity and Sport Partnership for Essex, Southend and Thurrock - working with local partners to transform lives through physical activity and sport. The Active Essex website gives some ideas for things to do over the summer, as it provides details of local events as well as places to visit, such as [Chelmsford Museum](#) and [Hylands Park](#).

SCREEN TIME

Earlier this year, the Government published information about screen time for under-5s. The full guidance can be found here: beststartinlife.gov.uk/screen-time-under-5s. It makes an interesting read, and ahead of the summer break may be the ideal time to consider this.

Children under 5 can be more at risk during a heatwave. For NHS advice on how to cope, click here - www.nhs.uk/heatwave-how-to-cope

The Essex Lottery - have you signed up yet? There is a £25,000 jackpot each week and regular special Super Draws. Taking part is quick and easy [here](#).



When shopping online, you can help us to raise funds by shopping through the link www.easyfundraising.org.uk/panel/, at no extra cost to you, thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

www.stockpreschool.org.uk/term-dates/

Start of Autumn term

Wednesday, 2nd September

End of 1st half term

Friday, 16th October

Autumn half term break

Monday, 19th - Friday, 30th October (**note = 2 weeks**)

Start of 2nd half term

Monday, 2nd November

