



# Colne Engaine Catch Up

Remembrance and Generosity at CEPS

November 10th



Usually at this time of year, we would be planning a Remembrance Day lunch, hosted by Year 6, for older residents of Colne Engaine. We love this event – and Year 6 learn so much from the memories shared of life in Colne Engaine in the past. We hope to be able to invite our guests into school for afternoon tea later in the year instead.

Look at these beautiful watercolour poppy paintings that Sycamore have made this week! Some of them have been made into cards, which we shall send to remind our friends that we are thinking of them.



Thank you to everyone who supported our Harvest Appeal – we took SIXTEEN FULL BAGS of much needed supplies to the Halstead foodbank.

And thank you to FACES and all those that supported our Colour and Sparkle day too... Friday was a bright and sparkly day!



*We're supporting  
the annual  
Duck Race!*

This year, we are raising funds for Children in Need by joining in with The Annual Duck Race Sweepstake. It takes place this year across the Children in Need website and social media channels LIVE at 1pm on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November.... And we will be there!

During the morning we shall invite our children to 'back' one of the 20 pop-culture inspired rubber ducks, who will race in a thrilling ride down the famous white-water racetrack to fight for the elusive title of Duck Race Champion 2020. We shall all be watching on the big screen in our classroom bubbles. If you would like to bring in a donation for Children in Need, there will be a collection point at the gate. Please support this wonderful charity.



**Amelie is a superstar!**

Over the past month, Amelie has been fundraising for Cancer Research UK. She has run 26.2 miles in October and raised £1000! We're very proud of her 😊  
If you'd like to donate, please go to

[https://givepenny.com/anna\\_r\\_obinson\\_marathon\\_month\\_challenge](https://givepenny.com/anna_r_obinson_marathon_month_challenge)

*We said goodbye to Mrs Pennell for a little while just before half term, as she takes some time away from school to welcome a new baby very soon. We'll let you know as soon as we hear any news! We also welcomed back Mrs Ralling this week, who returns after her maternity leave... it's lovely to have her back!*



Our Learning Buddy BEN has been a great help in supporting our children to have a positive attitude and strong growth mindset.

Our WOW awards celebrate examples of learning where the children have demonstrated great learning behaviours, such as sticking at it even when it's hard, or refining their work with careful editing.

Our most recent WOW winners are Rowan, Daisy, Max H, Max E, Stanley, Kyle, Eloise, Herbert, Phoebe, Esme, Darcey and Lexi-Jayne.

Well done everyone!



### Our ERICER Tree

As you know, our school ethos is deeply rooted in our core Christian values; Empathy, Respect, Integrity, Compassion, Equality and Responsibility. Our children are fantastic at using and recognising 'ERICER' behaviours, which they understand to be the crucial ingredients needed to 'make a difference' in the world. Our ERICER awards celebrate and acknowledge examples of kind,

compassionate and fair behaviours. One child from each class each week receives an ERICER leaf award, which is added to the tree in the hall.

Our most recent ERICER awards go to Jessica and Seb – well done!



### Cool to be kind on Odd Socks Day - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Part of Anti Bullying Week, Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage our children to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique. **All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks (if you want to) to school, it couldn't be simpler!** We will be thinking in school about how cool it is to be kind and what we can do every day to make someone feel good because of acts of kindness.

### Primary School Places for September 2021 – Please share!

As you may be aware, the primary school (Reception) admission round opens on 9 November 2020, for parents/carers to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2021. The statutory national closing date for applications is 15 January 2021. From 9 November 2020, applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions). 99% of Essex resident families applied online last year.

The Local Authority do not send letters to parents about making an application. All of the application and admissions information is available on the website above and we will be promoting via our website, social media and the printed press. The website [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions) also has a copy of the Primary Education in Essex 2021-22 booklet and the Schools Admissions Policies Directories contain details of all admission policies.



Please send in any old newspapers as we are running very low in supplies for painting in class!