



Friday, 26th September 2025

A Note from Our Executive Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another super busy two weeks at Flitch Green Academy! The children have been working hard on their new topics - Key Stage 1 have started to think about the past and their topic of Victorian Seaside, The Stone Age in lower Key Stage 2 and local history and the Flitch Way in upper Key stage 2. I have also witnessed the children engaging in mastering number sessions - subitising and counting in Early years and Key stage 1 and increased arithmetic practise in Key Stage 2.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to the Friends of Flitch, who organise wonderful events here at school and provide invaluable funds at what is a tough time for school finances. Please show them your support at the upcoming AGM on Tuesday 30th September. It was wonderful to see so many children attending the EYFS disco event this week.

As a school we are looking to utilise volunteers as much as possible over the next year. So many of you have offered your support and skills – it is clear that parents are keen to be involved in the education of their children. This is music to my ears – we are in the process of setting up a volunteer pack – legally we need to ensure all volunteers are DBS checked and that we gain references if you are going to be in school regularly. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please email the office team and let them know what days would work for you and what you are interested in doing. We always need volunteer readers and volunteers for trips, but you may have a special area of interest or skills such as art or DT that you could bring.

Warm regards,

Mrs Claire Smyth

Executive Headteacher

Stars of the week - Week beginning September 8th



A huge congratulations to our Stars of the Week! These pupils have gone above and beyond in demonstrating our school values: Louis from Saturn, Luna from Venus, Nathan from Jupiter, Sunny, Elliot and Honor from Neptune, Millie from Mars, Daisy from Moon, Rose from Sun, Florence from Comet and George from Earth.

Week beginning September 15th



Tommy from Pluto, Mason from Mercury, Penelope from Saturn, Seren from Venus, Josh and Jaxon from Jupiter, Lois from Neptune, Ronnie from Mars, Don from Moon, Cody from Sun, Felix from Comet and Lily Mae from Earth. Well done to all.

Key updates and messages:

Secondary school admissions opened on Friday 12th September. Online applications can be made via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

Miss Christmas and I are also running tours for our 2026 EYFS intake and we are looking forward to our Open morning on Saturday 11th October from 10.30am to 12.

Change to term dates - Sorry for the inconvenience but the school will no longer be having a non-pupil day on Friday 13th February. If you have evidence of a holiday already booked on this day I will ensure it is authorised. We will now be breaking up for the Summer at 1.30pm on Thursday 23rd July. I will ensure the new term dates are uploaded to the school website.

Governors have also agreed the term dates for 2026-2027 for any of you looking to book holidays that far ahead. Our final day of school in July 2027 will be Friday 23rd July. Full term dates will be uploaded to the website.

In line with Essex Guidance may I please ask that children do not wear earrings when taking part in Physical Education. Essex also state that ears should not be taped. Earrings should be removed for PE lessons. Please remove earrings on PE days or ensure children are able to. Children should have ears pierced at the start of the Summer holidays please to avoid disruption to PE lessons. Thank you for your cooperation in this area.

Free school meals applications:

If you feel your child may be entitled to free school meals (even if they are already receiving them in EYFS or Key Stage 1) please pop into the office and share your National Insurance Number and Date of Birth with our office staff. We can use this to check your eligibility and if successful this also gains additional funding for the school. If vouchers continue to be issued by the local authority this would mean you were automatically entitled to these.

Attendance:

Whole school attendance so far this year: 95.2% National is currently 96.2%

Year group attendance:

EYFS	97.4%
Year 1	95.7%
Year 2	95.6%
Year 3	94.1%
Year 4	96.5%
Year 5	96.0%

Year 6 91.6%

Please remember term time holidays can no longer be authorised by schools unless there are exceptional circumstances. Any absence from school due to a holiday of five days or over will result in a fine.

Dates for Your Diary:

Tuesday 30 th September	AGM of Friends of Flitch
Wednesday 1st October	School photos
Thursday 2nd October	School photos
Wednesday 8 th October	SATS meeting in hall for Year 6 parents 6pm
Saturday 11th October	Open morning for new EYFS intake
Tuesday 14th October	Parents' evening
Wednesday 15th October	Parents' evening
Thursday 16th October	Two Johns Parent Session
Friday 17th October	EYFS open morning for new intake