



### A Tribute to Leonna Ruka

I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the little 7 year old girl, Leonna Ruka, who lost her life on the weekend of the 28th June, at Chalkwell Park, Westcliff on Sea. Although this did not happen on Canvey Island, our immediate community, it did happen in Essex, our county, and therefore this sad news would have affected many of our school community.

Many of the teachers and support staff live close by to Chalkwell Park and have been to lay flowers at the memorial. Our deepest and heartfelt condolences goes to the family of Leonna and all who were impacted by the tragedy. We would also like to share our wishes of recovery to Leonna's cousin, a six year old little girl, who remains in a critical condition in hospital. Our thoughts also go out to our emergency services and the air ambulance, who attended the scene that day and the police officers that then patrolled the area, after. We extend our thoughts to those who gave aid, and assisted, in the rescue of the children: cricket clubs, a football team and members of the community.

Finally, our thoughts go to the school communities of the children involved in the tragedy, who must have been deeply saddened and shocked by this tragic news.

### Updates from Mrs Murrell

Sports day this year did not disappoint. I have received so much positive feedback about the new format, the picnic, the ice cream van, and the day in general, it was an overwhelming success. Events like this would not happen if it wasn't for the amazing team we have at LPPA. We have already put an action in place to make the picnic run even smoother and have added in a couple of additions to the day for next year. Despite the hot weather, the children performed so well and were in high spirits. The hose in the afternoon definitely helped cool us all down. Thank you for being excellent sports— as usual! The children loved sharing their lunchtime with you all and had lots of fun at the picnic and eating ice-creams. We will definitely be getting two ice cream vans next year to cut the queue times! This year's winner was:

On the 2nd July, our EYFS and KS1 children took part in their 'Taste and Sensory' sessions with chef, Dan Wilson 'Schools Adopt a Chef' programme. The children enjoyed their session and learnt so much! Thank you, Dan.

The Canvey Awards evening took place on the 3rd July. We celebrated the successes of 7 children across the school. It is always a pleasure to present these awards and be part of the larger community. These children really were worthy winners, who have given their all to this year. Well done: **Lily, Georgina, River, Maddy, Ella-Sofia, Bellamy and Lizzie**. Next academic year, I will be the headteacher representative for Canvey Island on the EPHA (Essex Primary Headteachers' Association) Executive board. I hope in taking on this additional responsibility, I will bring the Canvey schools closer together.

This week, the Year 5 pupils went to Castle View and Cornelius for secondary school taster days. They have been highly commended for their attitude to learning and behaviour. They have really enjoyed their time at the two schools and we hope it has given them a flavour at what is on offer at each one. Thank you to the secondary schools for putting on two wonderful days— our children have thoroughly enjoyed it.

The Year 4 children have spent the last two days throwing themselves into adventure and challenge at Bradwell, on their residential. They have had a wonderful time, enjoying the great outdoors.

And finally, you may have noticed that my hair is now very long! On the last day of term Miss Carlton will be cutting my hair, live in assembly, for the Little Princesses Trust. I have raised almost £1000 for the amazing charity and will be donating my hair. The Little Princesses Trust is a wonderful charity, who help fund childhood cancer research in the UK. I hope by doing this, I will inspire the children to do charity work, for causes that mean something to them.

You've been caught on camera!





## Trackit winners



Well done to our Trackit winners for accumulating lots of points.

Keep up the hard work!



## Dinner Menu

The dinner menu for week commencing will be:  
Week 1

There will be a change to the menu this week, Monday will be Beef Chilli with rice and Thursday will be pizza.

School dinners cost £2.60 per child per day and payment should be made via Schoolgateway

## Fund Raising

Molly's Lolly's donated £50 to the PTA fund. Thank you for buying an ice-cream!

## Attendance

This week's attendance winners with 97.6% are

**Year 2**

You have a well deserved non-uniform day on Monday 14th July

## Key Dates

### Monday 14th July:

Year 6 Production, dress rehearsal to school 1:30pm

Canvey Sports 10:00-12:00pm (selected pupils)

### Tuesday 15th July:

Last Day of Nursery

Nursery reports sent home

Year 6 production 1:30pm and 5:00pm (parent invite only)

### Wednesday 16th July:

Pupil reports sent home (Rec- Year 6)

Year 6 Beach and Pizza evening 3:30-5:00pm

### Thursday 17th July:

Rock Steady Concert- by invite

Transition morning- meet the teacher 10:30-12:00pm

### Monday 21st July

Inflatables event 3:30-5:00pm: whole school—parents to supervise children (wristbands)

EYFS Graduation Assembly 2:00-3:00pm

### Tuesday 22nd July

PTA Summer Raffle Assembly

Mrs Murrell's Big Hair Cut Assembly

Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 2-3pm —Parents invited

## Sports Day

The House winners from sports day are:

KS1 Winners – **Normans**

KS2 Winners – **Vikings**

Well done to everyone that took part.

## Further Information

### Allergies

Please make sure we are up to date with all allergies and dietary requirements for your child. We are a no nut school. Please ensure nut products are not brought into school.

### Absence

Can we remind parents that the school needs to be informed of your child's absence each day that they are off.