



# Oakfield Primary School Newsletter

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## Weekly News

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! This week, staff spent time after the school day had finished decorating the communal areas and making the environment look very wintry and festive. The children were very excited to see that the decorations had appeared.

Please could you ensure that Christmas production costumes are in school by Monday. The children have their dress rehearsals next week and will be putting on their performances to the rest of the school.

We are very excited to be launching our new social media accounts over the next few weeks. We look forward to sharing photographs and information about school events, trips and other school activities with you. Please could you check social media permissions for your child/ children, which you will find on the school app. More information to come soon regarding this.

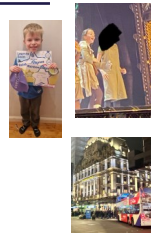
### Next week is our last week of staff led clubs.

Please could we remind you that children should not be bringing in anything from home, including stationary, notepads, toys or playground equipment. We will provide children with all the resources and equipment that they need.

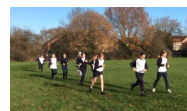
## Achievements from Home

Well done to Archie H and Ava C this week. Archie has performed really well in swimming, completing Stage 6 and moving onto Stage 7.

Ava performed 'Across the Line' at His Royal Majesty's Theatre (where Phantom of the Opera is performed) on Sunday. She did amazingly well and loved every minute!



## Sports News



All of KS2 took part in Cross Country on Thursday morning. They showed great resilience and determination. Year 3 and 4 ran five laps and Year 5 and 6 ran seven. Well done everyone!



## Attendance

Congratulations to the classes who achieved or exceeded our school attendance target of 96%

EYFS & KS1	KS2	Whole School
Classes 1,2,3 & 4 - 97% Class 6—98%	Classes 9, 12 & 14 - 97% Classes 10 & 11 - 98%	96.2%

## Achievement Certificates

A big congratulations to all the children that were awarded with a certificate in Friday's celebration assembly.

<b>Class 1</b>	Alice W & Oliver W	<b>Class 8</b>	Ronnie S & Harrison S
<b>Class 2</b>	Leo J & Freya H	<b>Class 9</b>	Oliver B & Lily A
<b>Class 3</b>	Gabriele A & Isaac O	<b>Class 10</b>	Oliver B & Meadow S
<b>Class 4</b>	Jaxon H & Kyro R	<b>Class 11</b>	Naveed A & Nicole S
<b>Class 5</b>	Neriah I & Kayla G	<b>Class 12</b>	Isabella A & Lacey H
<b>Class 6</b>	Brie B & Sadie G	<b>Class 13</b>	Mary H & Dol'e-Rose T
<b>Class 7</b>	Ruby F & Kitty S	<b>Class 14</b>	Alexis L & Andrew M

## House Points

Romans	Vikings	Saxons	Normans
29	34	33	31

**Our 3 school rules: Be safe. Be ready. Be respectful.**

## Dates for your diary

3/12/24

FOO : Name the Elf

4/12/24

Rocksteady Concert @  
9:00am

6/12/24

FOO: Christmas Bazaar  
3:30-5:30pm

9/12/24

R & Yr 1 Christmas  
Performances @ 2 & 5pm

10/12/24

Year 2/3 Christmas  
Performances @ 2 & 5pm

11/12/24

Year 4/5 Christmas  
Performances @ 2 & 5pm

## Lunch Menu

Week commencing:  
**02/12/2024**

**Week 2 Autumn Menu**

Please remember to  
preorder your child/  
ren's meals on the  
MCAS App



# Eco-Council News

## Special visitor helps us with an Eco-Council project.

On Monday we had the Deputy Mayor of Basildon, Councillor Victoria Joseph, visited us to help Year 4 plant some of the 600 bulbs we received from Bulbs4Kids. Here is what she had to say-



*"The children were an absolute joy to work with and so well-behaved, full of energy and brimming with curiosity. Their enthusiasm was contagious, and it was wonderful to see how engaged they were, from digging the soil to carefully placing each bulb. It's moments like these that truly lift the spirit and remind us of the joy that comes from connecting with nature and working together as a team. Gardening with these young minds was not only fulfilling but also deeply hopeful that every bulb planted today symbolises growth, care and the promise of a beautiful tomorrow."*

All week the children have been busy planting by the treehouse hundreds of narcissus, muscari and crocus bulbs ready for the spring and to encourage our pollinators.

## Hedgehog Hero

Well done to Ruby R in Class 11 for helping to rescue a small hoglet.

Ruby is very fortunate to have regular hedgehogs visit her garden and leaves food down every night for them. One female hedgehog in particular had recently had a litter of 4 hoglets.

Last Saturday, Ruby asked to stay up late to watch them and noticed one of the babies was particularly small.

Ruby caught the hoglet and took it to the South Essex wildlife hospital for additional care. Taking home a couple of cuddly little toys as a memento.

We are proud of Ruby's interest in hedgehogs and her dedication in helping to care for them.



## Elf Fun

All children are invited to take part in our new Elf Run to raise money for St. Luke's who have helped lots of families in our community. St. Luke's have provided brand new Elf hats for all children to take part.

We have set up a JustGiving page which is simple, fast and totally secure. Donations to take part in the run and for children to be able to wear a festive jumper or outfit on the day, would be greatly appreciated for this worthy cause. See our fundraising page here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/oakfield-primary-1732292694208>

We are looking forward to your children joining us on this festive and fun occasion.



## 2024 – 2025 Diary Dates

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Autumn Term (2 <sup>nd</sup> September – 20 <sup>th</sup> December)		
Date	Event	Details
W/C 02.12.2024		
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2024	FOO Name the Elf	FOO Event
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Rocksteady Concert	<b>9:00am</b>
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Christmas Bazaar	FOO Event 3:30pm – 5:30pm
W/C 09.12.2024		
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	R/Year 1 Christmas Performances	2pm and 5pm
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Year 2/3 Christmas Performances	2pm and 5pm
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Year 4/5 Christmas Performances	2pm and 5pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Wish Room Christmas Lunch <b>Elf Run</b>	FOO Event
W/C 16.12.2024		
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Whole School trip to the Towngate Theatre	10am
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Year 6 Coffee and Christmas Carols assembly	9am. Year 6 parents in the large hall
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Last Day of term	
W/C 23.12.2024		
Christmas Holidays		
W/C 30.12.2024		
Christmas Holidays		

Spring Term (6 <sup>th</sup> January – 4 <sup>th</sup> April)		
W/C 06.01.2025		
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	First Day Back	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Prospective Reception Intake 2025 Parent Tours	9:30am and 4pm
W/C 13.01.2025		
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025</b>	<b>Year 6 Trip to Duxford</b>	
W/C 20.01.2025		
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2025	Maths Workshop	9am-10am
W/C 27.01.2025		
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	National Child Measurement Programme Reception - Height, Weight & Vision Checks	In School AM
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	National Child Measurement Programme Reception - Height, Weight & Vision Checks	In School AM
W/C 03.02.2025		
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2025	KS2 Choir – Young Voices	O2
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	National Child Measurement Programme Year 6 – Height & Weight Checks	In School AM
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025</b>	<b>KS1 Multiply Maths Course for Parents</b>	<b>Small Hall 9-11am</b>
W/C 10.02.2025		
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Whole School Book Look	3:30pm – 4:15pm Enter classrooms through pod doors
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Year 5 Greek Workshop	In School Event
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025</b>	<b>Break the Rules Day</b>	<b>FOO Event</b>
	<b>KS1 Multiply Maths Course for Parents</b>	<b>Small Hall 9-11am</b>
W/C 17.02.2025		
February Half Term		

W/C 24.02.2025		
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Writing Workshop (Writing approach, handwriting and spelling)	9am-10am
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025</b>	<b>KS1 Multiply Maths Course for Parents</b>	<b>Small Hall 9-11am</b>
W/C 03.03.2025		
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	World Book Day  Pre-loved Book Sale	FOO Event
W/C 10.03.2025		
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Comic Relief (Red Nose Day)	Organised by the School Council – more information to follow
W/C 17.03.2025		
W/C 24.03.2025		
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025</b>	<b>Year 1 Trip – Call of the Wild</b>	
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Mother's Day Wish Room	FOO Event
W/C 31.03.2025		
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Parent Consultation Meetings	4pm – 6:30pm
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025	Parent Consultation Meetings	4pm - 7pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Oakfield's Got Talent Last Day of Term	In school event

Summer Term (21 <sup>st</sup> April – 22 <sup>nd</sup> July)		
Date	Event	Details
W/C 07.04.2025	Easter Half Term	
W/C 14.04.2025		
W/C 21.04.2025		
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	Easter Monday	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Earth Day	Organised by the Eco-Council – more information to follow
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Spring Disco	FOO Event
W/C 28.04.2025		
W/C 05.05.2025		
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	May Bank Holiday	
W/C 12.05.2025	Year 6 SATS Week	
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Reception Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Reception parents
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Year 1 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 1 parents
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Year 2 Journey Around the Curriculum  FOO Event TBC	2:30pm Large Hall Year 2 parents  FOO Event
W/C 19.05.2025		
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Year 3 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 3 parents
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Year 4 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 4 parents

Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2025	Year 5 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 5 parents
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2025	Year 6 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 6 parents
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Stay and Play Coffee Morning – New Reception Intake 2025	9:00am-10:00am Reception Intake Parents 2025
W/C 26.05.2025	May Half Term	
W/C 02.06.2025		
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025	INSET DAY	
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Summer Fete	FOO Event 12pm - 3pm
W/C 09.06.2025	Phonics Screening Week	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Father's Day Wish Room  First Aid Road Show	FOO Event  Year 6 – in school event
W/C 16.06.2025		
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Class Photographs	In School
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Sports Day and Picnic	KS2: 9:00am-11:30am Picnic: 11:45am-12:45pm KS1: 1:00pm-3:00pm
W/C 23.06.2025		
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Sports Day and Picnic reserve date in the event of inclement weather on 20.6.24	KS2: 9:00am-11:30am Picnic: 11:45am-12:45pm KS1: 1:00pm-3:00pm
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Year 6 Transition Day Beauchamps  New Reception Intake Stay, Play and Storytime Session	9:30am-11:00am Reception Intake 2025 children and parents
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Year 6 Transition Day Beauchamps  New Reception Intake Stay, Play and Storytime Session  Booklook and Meet the New Teacher	9:30am-11:00am Reception Intake 2025 children and parents  3:30pm-4:30pm – parents enter classrooms through pod door
W/C 30.06.2025		
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Taster Day – Bromfords  Reception Intake 2025 Meeting and Teddy Bear's Picnic  Rainbow Run	Year 5 children  9:30am-11:15am – new reception intake parents 2025  FOO Event
W/C 07.07.2025		
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Year 6 Play	5pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Year 5 Taster Day -Beauchamps	Year 5 Children

Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Reception End of Year Celebration assembly  Reports out to parents  Contingency Rainbow Run Date  FOO Ice-cream Sales	9:00am - Large Hall    FOO Event  FOO Event
W/C 14.07.2025		
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Year 1 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Year 2 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Year 3 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Year 4 End of Year Celebration assembly  First Aid Road Show	9:00am - Large Hall  Year 6
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Year 5 End of Year Celebration assembly  FOO Ice-cream Sales	9:00am - Large Hall  FOO Event
W/C 21.07.2025		
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2025	Year 6 Leavers Assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	Last Day of Term	

**Please note that some dates may have to change – all new dates and changes will be made in red and will appear in the dates section of the weekly newsletter**



**Essex Fire Museum Christmas Open Day  
( With our Santa's Grotto )**

Free entry, but booking is essential as we are on an active fire station site.


10.30am to 4.00pm  
(Last entry: 2.30pm)

Contact us to book:  
museum@essex-fire.gov.uk or 01376 576847.



**ESSEX FIRE MUSEUM**

Date: 15th Of December





**RECYCLE YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE**

Please support Helen Rollason Cancer Charity! In exchange for a small donation we will take all the hassle out of disposing of your Christmas Tree!



[www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree](http://www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree)



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Essex Library Service

# Winter Reading Challenge



## The Dragons' Adventure!

Thursday 2 January to  
Saturday 22 February

Help the dragons get home out of the  
cold by completing fun challenges!

Sign up at any Essex library.



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Essex Library Service

## Winter Reading Challenge The Dragons' Adventure!

Arriving in your local library this January!

Children across Essex are being challenged to complete 6 challenges (from a choice of 12) to help some mischievous Dragons make their way home!

For every challenge you'll get a sticker and if you complete 6 you will receive a certificate and a pencil prize. You'll also be able to enter our prize draw for the chance to win some wonderful prizes such as tablets, book tokens, and arts and crafts packs!

Thursday  
2 January  
to Saturday  
22 February

Find out more about how to take part in this free activity on our website: [libraries.essex.gov.uk](http://libraries.essex.gov.uk)



Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child is invited to sign up for this year's [Winter Reading Challenge](#) at your local library!

### What is the Winter Reading Challenge?

The Winter Reading Challenge is a fun activity put together by Essex Library Service for children aged 0-12. It encourages children and families to keep reading over the winter and to visit their local library.

To do this children complete 6 challenges (from a list of 12), and it's **FREE** to take part. Their mission is to help some lost dragons make their way home before they get too cold!

### How can my child take part?

Visit your [local library](#) to sign up. Your child will:

- Receive their Challenge folder
- Choose 6 challenges to complete (from a list of 12)
- Earn a sticker for each challenge they complete
- When they've complete 6 challenges they will receive a certificate and a pencil prize and they will be able to enter our prize draw – with the chance to win bigger prizes such as tablets, book tokens and arts and crafts packs

### When?

The challenge starts on 2 January and runs through to the end of the February half term on 22 February. Unsure where your closest library is - use the Essex Library Service [website](#) to check.

Head to your local library this winter and sign up! You can find out more about the challenge on the [library website](#) and if you have any questions, please ask staff in the library.

We look forward to seeing you!

Best wishes

Essex Library Service

# Essex ACTIVATE

**Free holiday clubs, fun activities and food across Essex and Thurrock!**

- ✓ Specialist SEND, mental wellbeing and youth clubs
- ✓ Sports and games, arts and crafts, cooking and so much more!
- ✓ Nutritious snacks and tasty meals
- ✓ Run by qualified, local club providers
- ✓ Family support, resources and guidance
- ✓ Discretionary paid and paid for spaces

**WHAT IS ESSEX ACTIVATE?**  
 Essex ActivAte is the name for the exciting activity clubs run by Active Essex! During school holidays, local club providers across the county deliver free holiday clubs and fun activities to get eligible primary and secondary children active, as well as support young people to make friendships and learn new skills, helping to enhance their wellbeing.

Please only book your child/ren a space at an Essex ActivAte club if they will attend. If they are booked on and do not attend, other children may miss out on this beneficial opportunity across the holidays.

[www.activeessex.org](http://www.activeessex.org)

Turn this flyer over to read more on how to book a space!

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Facebook, X, Instagram icons and @EssexActivAte

## FREE WINTER HOLIDAY CLUBS IN BASILDON

Book onto a free holiday club with Essex ActivAte this Winter in Basildon!

Offer your children a memorable holiday experience filled with exciting and fun activities. We provide FREE spaces for children who receive income related free school meals. Book on with your **HolidayActivities** voucher code, which is emailed or text to you from your child's school.

**CENTRAL BASILDON**

**Junior Adventures Group (5-11 yrs, SEND Level 2)**  
 Basildon Sporting Village, Cranes Farm Rd, SS14 3GR  
 hello@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk & 03335771633  
 23rd & 24th Dec 10-2pm | 2nd & 3rd Jan 10-2pm

**Premier Education - Basildon Sport & Leisure Club (6-12 yrs)**  
 Basildon Sport & Leisure Club, Gardeners Way, SS14 3UJ  
 RClark@premier-education.com & 07387196392  
 23rd & 24th Dec 9-3pm | 2nd & 3rd Jan 9-3pm

**ATF - Millhouse (5-14 years)**  
 Millhouse Primary School, School House, Tavistock Road, SS15 5QF  
 kherring@aaffcommunity.com & 07701365822  
 23rd Dec 9am-1pm | 2nd and 3rd Jan 2-6pm

**BILLERICAY**

**Premier Education - Buttsbury Infants School (5-12 years)**  
 Buttsbury Infant School, Perry Street, Billericay, CM12 0NX  
 RClark@premier-education.com & 07387196392  
 23rd & 24th Dec 9-5pm | 2nd & 3rd Jan 9-3pm

**Camp 4 Champs (4-14 years)**  
 Mayflower High School, Stock Rd, Billericay CM12 DRT  
 bookings@camp4champs.co.uk & 02081030101  
 23rd & 24th Dec 9-4pm | 2nd & 3rd Jan 9-4pm

**Camp Epic (5-11 years)**  
 Basildon Disabled Sports Association, Swan Mead, Church Road, SS16 4AG  
 campepic@prosports-solutions.co.uk & 01268955000  
 23rd & 24th Dec 9am-4pm | 2nd & 3rd Jan 9am-4pm

**Mega Camps (4-14 yrs, SEND Level 1)**  
 St John's School, Stock Road, Billericay, Essex, CM12 0AR  
 03330124378  
 23rd Dec 9-5pm | 2nd and 3rd Jan 9-5pm

**PITSEA**

**ATF Eversley (5-14 years)**  
 Eversley Primary School, Crest Ave, Pitsea, Basildon SS13 2EF  
 jrobinson@aaffcommunity.com & 07794329833  
 2nd & 3rd Jan 9am-1pm

Turn over to discover more local Essex ActivAte clubs!

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**FELMORES & VANGE**

**Southend United (5-13 yrs, up to SEND Level 2)**  
 Eversley Leisure Centre, Crest Ave, Basildon SS13 2EF  
 info@southendunited-cct.co.uk & 01702341351  
 23rd Dec 10:30-2:30pm

**Southend United Stadium Tour & Match Tickets (5-13 yrs)**  
 Coach pick up: Eversley Leisure Centre, Crest Ave, SS13 2EF  
 to go to Roots Hell Stadium  
 info@southendunited-cct.co.uk & 01702341351  
 24th Dec 09:45-3pm

**ATF Winter Wonderland (5-16 years)**  
 Briscoe Primary School, Felmores End, Basildon, SS13 1PN  
 cmcalden@heartsacademy.uk & 07956770446  
 22nd Dec 10am-4pm

**ATF - Briscoe**  
 Briscoe Primary School, Felmores End, Basildon, SS13 1PN  
 cmcalden@heartsacademy.uk & 07956770446  
 23rd Dec 9am-1pm | 2nd & 3rd Jan 9am-1pm

**ATF - Vange (4-12 years)**  
 Vange Primary School, London Road, Basildon SS16 4QA  
 smartin@aaffcommunity.com & 07989515757  
 23rd December 9am-1pm | 2nd and 3rd Jan 9am-1pm

**SPECIALIST SEND & MENTAL WELLBEING CLUBS**

**JTD Arts SEND Level 1-3 (5-11 years)**  
 Northlands Primary School, 45 Winfred Road, SS13 3JQ  
 activetjd@hotmail.com & 07856869296  
 21st Dec 10am-12:30pm | 21st Dec 12:30pm-5pm | 22nd Dec 10am-12:30pm

**Butterflies Club Family Party, SEND Level 4 (8-16 yrs)**  
 Frypa Hall, The Fryth, Basildon, Essex, SS14 3PW  
 jasmine@butterfliesclub.co.uk & 07884700124  
 22nd Dec 12-2pm

**Butterflies Club - Laindon, SEND Level 4 (8-16 yrs)**  
 Presidents Hall, Laindon, SS15 6LF  
 jasmine@butterfliesclub.co.uk & 07884700124  
 23rd & 28th Dec 8am-12pm | 23rd & 28th Dec 12pm-4pm

**JTD Arts SEND Level 1-3 (5-11 years) Winter Family Trip**  
 Transport from Northlands Primary School, 45 Winfred Road, Basildon, SS13 3JQ  
 activetjd@hotmail.com & 07856869296  
 22nd Dec 12:30pm-5pm

**Share SEND Level 4 (5-16 years)**  
 The Fryth, Beeleigh E, SS14 2RR  
 admin@sharerespite.co.uk & 0126852169  
 30th & 31st Dec 10:30-2:30pm | 2nd & 3rd Jan 10:30-2:30pm

**Motivated Minds Piano!**  
**Mental Wellbeing & SEND Level 2 (6-16 years)**  
 Happy Hub, Eastgate Shopping Centre, Basildon SS14 1AE  
 thrive@motivated-minds.co.uk & 07429224971  
 Saturday 21st Dec 09:30am meet, 11am - 12:30pm event

**Motivated Minds Cinema & Orleto Lounge Family Experience**  
**Mental Wellbeing & SEND Level 2 (6-16 years)**  
 Happy Hub, Eastgate Shopping Centre, Basildon SS14 1AE  
 thrive@motivated-minds.co.uk & 07429224971  
 23rd Dec 1-4pm

**Motivated Minds Bowling**  
**Mental Wellbeing & SEND Level 2 (6-16 years)** Happy Hub, Eastgate Shopping Centre, Basildon SS14 1AE  
 thrive@motivated-minds.co.uk & 01268520785  
 23rd Dec Meet 10:30am, 11am-12:45pm Event

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Scan the QR code to find out more!

**VISION  
ZERO**  
NO ROAD DEATHS



## What is an e-scooter?

**SAFERESSEX**  
roads partnership

## The rules

Electrically powered scooters are classed as a mechanically propelled vehicle, which means the same rules apply to e-scooters as other motor vehicles. These rules also apply to other personal electric transporters, with the exception of mobility scooters. Electric scooters are treated the same as any other motorised vehicle, this means they must have MOT, Vehicle Excise Duty ("tax") and insurance.

In order to obtain an MOT and insurance to be used legally in public, an e-scooter must be approved by the Vehicle Certification Agency for its construction and use for transport on the public highway.

No such approval exists for privately owned e-scooters. If you are using a private e-scooter on public roads, or footways, the police can seize it and you could be liable for prosecution for traffic offences, and even receive points on your licence.

### Risks include:

- Lack of maintenance affecting braking and tyre performance.
- Charging of devices in the home introduces fire risk, especially if batteries have become damaged or wet.
- Scooters can easily over balance on bumps or holes due to their small wheels.
- Handling can be unpredictable, especially when reacting to hazards.
- There can be a temptation to ride while intoxicated or distracted.



## Renting

A number of rental schemes have been set up in towns and cities in the UK, including Basildon, Chelmsford, Braintree and Colchester in Essex. These schemes allow people to use rented e-scooters legally.

### To use these schemes, you must:

- Be aged 18 or over.
- Hold a UK driving licence.
- Only ride on roads and cycle-paths within the hire scheme areas, pavement riding is not permitted.
- Not carry passengers or allow others to use a scooter you have hired. Wearing a helmet is highly recommended, and riders have the same responsibility to obey traffic laws as anyone driving a car.

use rented  
e-scooters  
legally



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Visit our website to see the latest information, stories and press releases.

[saferessexroads.org/visionzero](https://saferessexroads.org/visionzero)

## Please get involved

- Learn more about safe road use on our website [saferessexroads.org](https://saferessexroads.org)
- Like/follow/share on our social media channels [@saferessexroads](https://twitter.com/saferessexroads)
- Talk to family, friends and people in your community about Vision Zero
- Share ideas about how to make improvements where you live with your local elected representatives
- Subscribe to updates from us at: [saferessexroads.org/news/](https://saferessexroads.org/news/)
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- To share any ideas you have about how you might be able to help achieve Vision Zero in your community, please contact us at: [SaferEssexRoads@essexhighways.org](mailto:SaferEssexRoads@essexhighways.org)

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