



# MARKET FIELD SCHOOL

*Respect, Excellence, Friendship*

## Upcoming Dates

24 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day of term
24 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day to return Christmas designs
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> October	October Half Term
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Emergency Closure Day
5 <sup>th</sup> November	Coffee Morning
10 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Anti-Bullying Week
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
28 <sup>th</sup> November	Non pupil Day

## Head Teacher Message

As we reach the end of our first half term, I want to take a moment to reflect on what has been a truly wonderful start to the academic year. The energy, enthusiasm, and sense of community across the school have been nothing short of inspiring. From the very first day, our pupils have returned with a renewed sense of purpose, curiosity, and kindness, and it has been a joy to see them thriving in their learning and friendships.

This half term has been packed with memorable moments. Our new starters have settled in beautifully, supported by our dedicated staff and welcoming pupils. We've seen fantastic engagement in lessons, creative projects blossoming across the curriculum, and a real buzz around reading, writing, and problem-solving. Our assemblies have been filled with celebration, from recognising achievements to exploring our school values of Respect, Excellence, and Friendship in action.

Beyond the classroom, our enrichment activities have brought so much joy. Whether it's been sports fixtures, music rehearsals, outdoor learning, or charity events, pupils have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm and pride. A particular highlight has been the two 'wear xx for' days which the children really enjoyed.

I'd also like to thank our families for their continued support. Your partnership is vital, and it's been lovely to welcome so many of you into school for events, meetings, and informal catch-ups. The warmth and encouragement you bring helps us create the nurturing environment we strive for every day.

As we head into the half-term break, I hope everyone finds time to rest, recharge, and enjoy some well-earned downtime. We're already looking forward to the exciting learning and events planned for next half term, including our seasonal celebrations, curriculum showcases, and opportunities for pupil leadership as we appoint our prefect teams in year 11 and year 6.

Thank you all for making this such a positive and uplifting start to the year. Have a safe and happy half term!

## School Parking

Please can we politely remind those collecting their children to not arrive too early, especially with the roof repairs due to start imminently. The gates do not open until 2:30pm. Please continue to be considerate of our neighbours and not queue in the entrance/in front of the school or local estates waiting until 2:30pm. We have had some very near misses in the school entrance with vehicles trying to pass in both directions. We appreciate your understanding and support as we carry out essential improvements to our school building. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation in keeping our school community safe.

## Exceptional Closure Day

Please note that the school will be closed for an exceptional closure day on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**. This is to allow all staff to attend a Health and Safety briefing, as we will be returning to a building site. School will reopen on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November**.

## Young Carers Club

In Essex alone, it's estimated that **around 11,000 young people** have caring responsibilities, though many remain hidden or unrecognised. These young carers often experience higher levels of stress, social isolation, and challenges balancing schoolwork with their caring role.

Our **Young Carers Club** offers a safe, friendly space for these young people to relax, have fun, and just be themselves — without the pressure of caring duties. The club is completely **free to attend** and provides activities, social opportunities, and support from trained staff who understand the unique challenges young carers face.

We would be delighted to receive initial referral details via email [cucf@colchesterunited.net](mailto:cucf@colchesterunited.net) or via this form <https://forms.office.com/e/H3tE2GB0KG>

**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

**YOUNG CARERS CLUB**  
MONDAYS, 3:30PM TO 5:30PM

- ★ DIFFERENT SPORTS
- ★ HOMEWORK SUPPORT
- ★ NEW SKILLS
- ★ GAMES
- ★ CRAFT
- ★ FUN!

**WHO?**  
Young carers in school years 5-9

**WHEN?**  
Mondays, 3:30-5:30pm

**WHERE?**  
Shrub End Community & Sports Centre, Boadicea Way, Colchester, CO2 9BG  
Clacton-on-Sea Leisure Centre, Vista Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 6DB

**FOR MORE INFO CONTACT**  
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## Free School Meal - Vouchers

We have been advised there will be a winter Free School Meal voucher. Vouchers will now be issued directly from Wonde, which we have been advised will be sent out from 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

If you have any questions or queries regarding the vouchers you receive you should contact Evouchers directly on [support@evouchers.com](mailto:support@evouchers.com)

## Winter Menu

Please see below the new menu for Winter. This menu will be available when we return from our October half term on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November onwards.



### MARKET FIELD MENU CHOICE - WEEK ONE AUTUMN2 2025

(W/C 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 15<sup>th</sup> December)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Creamy Chicken & Leek Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread	Mince Beef & Onion Pie with Mash	Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Stuffing & Gravy	Butter Chicken Curry with Pilau Rice and Naan Bread	Fillet Fish Burger with Chips
Creamy Vegetable Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread	Vegetable Pie with Mash	Roast Quorn Fillet, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Lentil & Chickpea Curry with Pilau Rice and Naan Bread	Glamorgan Sausages & Chips
Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Tuna, Beans or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato
Broccoli	Peas	Seasonal Veg	Bombay Potatoes	Peas
Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar
Fresh Fruit Platter	Treacle Sponge Pudding & Custard	Fruit Jelly	Angel Delight	Fruit Crumble with Cream or Ice Cream
A selection of fresh fruit, fresh fruit salad and yoghurt available daily Fresh milk, water and fruit juice				

Menu subject to change  
Locally sourced meat, fruit and vegetables  
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### MARKET FIELD MENU CHOICE - WEEK TWO AUTUMN2 2025

(W/C 10<sup>th</sup> November, 1<sup>st</sup> December)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beef Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Cream of Chicken Pie with Mash	Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding with Stuffing & Gravy	Sausage Roll with Potato Puffs	Fish Fingers with Chips and Bread & Butter
Vegan Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Creamy Vegetable Pie with Mash	Roast Quorn Fillet, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Vegan Sausage Roll with Potato Puffs	Creamy Vegetable Lattice
Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Tuna, Beans or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato
	Mixed Vegetables	Seasonal Veg	Beans	Peas
Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar
Fruit Jelly	Belgium Waffle & Fruit Coulis	Arctic Roll	Angel Delight	Cookies
A selection of fresh fruit, fresh fruit salad and yoghurt available daily Fresh milk, water and fruit juice				

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### MARKET FIELD MENU CHOICE - WEEK THREE AUTUMN2 2025

(W/C 17<sup>th</sup> November, 8<sup>th</sup> December)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chinese Style Chicken Balls with Rice & a choice of Sweet & Sour or Curry Sauce	Beef Meatballs Tomato Pasta with Garlic Bread	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Stuffing & Gravy	Pepperoni Pizza & Hash Brown	Fish Cake, Chips with Bread & Butter
Chicken Free Plant Based Salt & Pepper Strips	Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread	Roast Quorn Sausage with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Margherita Pizza & Hash Brown	Veggie Dippers with Bread & Butter
Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Tuna, Beans or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato
Baby Corn	Green Beans	Seasonal Veg	Sweetcorn	Peas/Mushy Peas
Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar
Fresh Fruit Platter	Fruit Jelly	Profiteroles	Angel Delight	Pineapple Upside Down Cake & Custard
A selection of fresh fruit, fresh fruit salad and yoghurt available daily Fresh milk, water and fruit juice				

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## Coffee Morning – November 2025

Thank you for all your lovely feedback following our first coffee morning back. We always welcome your feedback on anything you would like to see or what we have done well.

Our next coffee morning will be on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 10 – 11:30. This will be an opportunity to enjoy a hot drink and a catch up with members of our Speech and Language Team.

If you would like to attend this coffee morning, please confirm your attendance to [sarah.rogers@marketfield.essex.sch.uk](mailto:sarah.rogers@marketfield.essex.sch.uk)

## Non Pupil Day

A polite reminder that Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025 will be our next non pupil day.

## Poppy Appeal

We have received our school boxes to raise funds for the Royal British Legion. Our seniors will be bringing the boxes round the school on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Items available to purchase will be the same as last year with plastic free poppies, standard poppies, snap bands and festival bands etc. Prices will be uploaded to Dojo asap, if your child would like to buy an item, please ensure they bring in cash on the day.

## Christmas Cards

Our classes have been busy completing their Christmas designs (some of our students chose to take these home to complete). If you have provided your name, number and email to order these designs, you will receive a text or an email from **xmas 4 schools** (please keep an eye on your junk email folder) containing your order link which you can follow to your child's ordering portal. From here you can place your order and make payment. Items will be returned to school and we will notify you when these are coming home.

## Children Eat Free or for £1.00

Please see below list of local restaurants offering free meals or meals for £1.00 for children during half term.


PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1)  
OCTOBER HALF TERM 2025


moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

<p><b>ANGUS STEAKHOUSE</b> Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm</p> <p><b>ASDA</b> Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend</p> <p><b>ASK ITALIAN</b> Kids under 10 eat for £1 during school holidays</p> <p><b>BELLA ITALIA</b> Children eat for £1 with any adult main</p> <p><b>BILLS</b> Kids Eat Free weekdays, 27th - 31st October 2025</p> <p><b>BREWDOG</b> 1 Kid eats free with 1 adult. Scotland 13th - 17th Oct England &amp; Wales 27th - 31st Oct</p> <p><b>BURGER KING</b> From 13th Oct - 2nd Nov, Kids Eat Free (via app)</p> <p><b>CHIQUITO</b> Kids eat FREE Daily 27th - 31st October</p> <p><b>COCONUT TREE</b> Kids eat FREE Daily Mon 27th Oct - Sun 9th Nov 2025</p> <p><b>DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES</b> Kids eat for £1 with an adult breakfast or lunch</p> <p><b>FARMHOUSE INNS</b> 2 Kids eat free From Mon 6th - Fri 17 Oct (Scotland) &amp; Fri 17th - Fri 31 Oct (England &amp; Wales),</p> <p><b>FLAMING GRILL</b> 1 Kids eats free, Mon 13th - 20th Oct (Scotland) &amp; Mon 20th - Fri 31 Oct (England &amp; Wales)</p> <p><b>FUTURE INNS</b> Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal</p> <p><b>GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS</b> Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day</p> <p><b>HUNGRY HORSE</b> 2 Kids eat free From Mon 6th - Fri 17 Oct (Scotland) &amp; Fri 17th - Fri 31 Oct (England &amp; Wales),</p>	<p><b>IKEA</b> Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am</p> <p><b>LAS IGUANAS</b> Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App</p> <p><b>MARCO PIERRE WHITE</b> Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend</p> <p><b>MORRISONS</b> Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend</p> <p><b>PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM</b> Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day</p> <p><b>PREMIER INN</b> 2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast</p> <p><b>PRETO</b> Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult</p> <p><b>PUREZZA</b> Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal</p> <p><b>SA BRAINS PUBS</b> Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays</p> <p><b>SIZZLING PUBS</b> Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm</p> <p><b>TABLE TABLE</b> 2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult</p> <p><b>TGI FRIDAYS</b> Kids Eat Free with any adult meal (Via App)</p> <p><b>THE REAL GREEK</b> Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend</p> <p><b>TRAVELodge</b> 2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast</p> <p><b>WHITBREAD INNS</b> 2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast</p> <p><b>YO! SUSHI</b> Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays</p>
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### EHCP/Annual Reviews

As a school we aim to hold our EHCP reviews face to face. We would appreciate where possible you attend meetings at the school. We understand this is not always possible, in that case we request you liaise with either Jo/Ang in the office (who will have sent you your invite) Please also ensure you have completed and returned your parent views page prior to the meeting.

## Change in weather

As we are approaching the colder months, please can we remind you to ensure your children come into school after the half term with clothing appropriate to the weather e.g jumpers, coats plus hats and gloves where needed.

Please can we remind you to also ensure items are labelled, we find lots of hats go missing throughout the winter months where these are not labelled.

If you require any uniform, we do have a variety of items available to purchase with a small donation from the school. Please do not hesitate to contact our receptionist on [victoria@marketfield.essex.sch.uk](mailto:victoria@marketfield.essex.sch.uk) if you require any items.

Alternatively, if you would like to purchase more uniform, please log into Uniform 7 and order direct.

## Enablement Awards

We are absolutely thrilled to share that our school has been named “Most Outstanding School for Children with Moderate Learning Difficulties” at the prestigious Embue Enablement Awards 2025!

This national recognition celebrates our commitment to inclusive education, our dedication to every child’s potential, and the exceptional work of our staff in supporting children with moderate learning difficulties.

The Embue Awards honour excellence across the UK in disability care and education, and we are proud to be recognised as a leading example of best practice. The judging panel praised our school for its innovative approaches, nurturing environment, and the positive outcomes we achieve for our pupils.

This award belongs to our whole school community – our incredible children, our dedicated staff, and our supportive families. Thank you for being part of this journey.

We look forward to celebrating this achievement together and continuing to strive for Respect, Excellence, and Friendship in everything we do.

