

22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023 (3)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well.

#### **Prime Minister Election**

In today's assembly Elyssa (Prime Minister 2022-2023) discussed what qualities she felt you needed to become the next Prime Minister. Some qualities she discussed were: confidence, a good listener and creativity. She spoke about what the Cabinets had achieved last year, including receiving the TfL Stars Gold Award!

If your child is in years 1-6 and would like to join the campaign to be the next Prime Minister, they will need to write a speech, which they will present on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October to their class. The children will then vote and the winning candidate will go head-to-head within their year group week beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October. The year group will vote for who they would like to put forward in the final campaign on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. During whole school assembly the child from each year group with the most votes will present their speech. Each child will then vote on their ballot paper for who they think should be the next Eversley Prime Minister.

#### **E-Safety Workshops**

This week the children took part in e-safety workshops. The feedback was great and the children found it useful learning about how to stay safe online. Thank you to Miss Goddard for organising the workshops.

If you would like to learn more about e-safety, then please visit our website or go to the NSPCC or BBC Bitesize websites.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Samantha Williams Headteacher





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BBC 500 Words Story Writing Competition



#### https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words

500 Words- the UK's largest children's writing competition, opens on <u>Tuesday 26 September</u> and will run till <u>Friday 10 November</u>. In school we will be watching the LIVE launch of the competition in our assembly. Your child is welcome to submit a story they have written at home (see TEAMS assignment for ideas)- or they may wish to submit a story they have written in school. As all entries need to be typed we would like to ask for your support in submitting your child's entry yourself from home, if they wish to enter (see "How to enter" below).

This year, the two age categories will be **5-7 year-olds** and **8-11 year-olds**.

#### Rules

All the stories **must**:

- Be 500 words or less (title is not included in the number)
- Be written by an individual and not a group
- Be a child's own original idea
- Be prose, not rap or poem

#### Stories must not:

- Give any personal details of the child, including their name
- Recount an historical event (but they can use a real person or historical character as a source of inspiration)

**All stories** will be judged on the following criteria:

- Characterisation
- Plot
- Originality
- Language
- Enjoyment

#### Here's some top tips to kick start their imagination

For some tips on getting started writing a story <u>here</u> are some people who know all about this - including the Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho.

You can also access <u>Pobble story starters</u> and writing activity posters - these resources should help kickstart story writing if you are stuck!

#### **How to enter**

Once the competition opens on 26 September, the stories need to be typed and submitted, by an adult, on the 500 Words website. The children need to be living in the UK and the correct age for the relevant category on **Friday 10 November** when the competition closes.

We want to make it as easy as possible to submit 500 Word stories so <u>click here</u> for more hints and tips on submissions. If you are struggling to submit your typed story then speak to your teacher.



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We use Times Table Rock Stars at Eversley which is an online programme designed to help pupils master their times tables through a model that encourages great recall of tables and high maths confidence.

The focus is both on learning multiplication facts and related division facts. Please note- this programme will be available now for pupils in years 2-6 and will be available for year 1 from the spring term onwards.

As well as the children accessing this programme at school, we are also encouraging pupils to access the programme from home. The most effective way for pupils to participate from home is to take part in short bursts of practise daily or as frequently as possible.

Please find attached the following video guides to help support your children with using the Times Tables Rock Star online programme at home.

Parents and Carers guide to TTRS

The below video outlines the different game types the children can play in more detail:

A quide to the different game types

Th next video explores a set of interactive tools that can be used to help with learning timetables: A quide to the TTRS interactive tools

Just a reminder that the following link takes pupils directly to the student log in page for Eversley Primary school:

Click here to login





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#### **Forest School News**

It was great to be back at Forest School last week!

Year 3 children are focusing on friendships this term, so what better way to start than by making friendship bracelets. We had a lovely time connecting with each other and nature in the sunshine.











Year 6 we went straight into their history topic WW2 and time travelled back to 1942. Some children were playing as if they were children living in 1942, digging, swinging on the rope swing, making toys with things they found on the site.

Some children were "harvesting" apples and made some delicious apple stew for us all to try.

Thanks team year 3 and team year 6!

Anna Reekie



## Superstars



## Congratulations to this week's Superstars



| Superstars |             |     |                  |  |
|------------|-------------|-----|------------------|--|
| 1M         | Ishani      | 4E  | Helena           |  |
| 2G         | Aoife       | 4KR | Ella             |  |
| 2N         | Dylan       | 4SE | Eliza            |  |
| 3C         | Bella       | 5A  | Emiliano & Riaan |  |
| 3P         | Maya & Musa | 5BH | Alex             |  |
|            |             | 6B  | Yianni           |  |
|            |             | 6L  | Mia              |  |









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### **Easyfundraising**

Thank you to everyone for raising donations for Eversley Primary School with #easyfundraising! If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely FREE. 4,500 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to do your everyday online shopping - at no extra cost to you! Every donation you raise makes a difference to us so please sign up & share today.

> https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/eversleyps/?invite=UA33U9%26referralcampaign=c2s%26utm campaign=admin-trigger%26utm content=srt

> > Our value for the month of September is

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## Afttendance

One of the areas the school is working hard to improve is the attendance of children at Eversley Primary School. The United Nation Convention on the rights of the child entitles them to a Right to Education (Article 28). If the attendance drops below 95%, this could potentially affect any future Ofsted judgement, as well as children missing vital learning which reduces their chances of success. Please help us to continue the upward trend by ensuring your child comes to school every day and on time.

The overall school attendance to date is 95.34%



## **Inconsiderate Parking/Driving**

Please remember that Oakwood Crescent is a public road. Residents experience a huge deal of disruption from Eversley traffic. It would help relations with local residents if parents remember the following:

- The unofficial one-way system in operation in Oakwood Crescent which runs from Chaseville Park Road to Eversley Park Road
- Please do not park over residents' driveways
- Please do not make a U-turn over residents' driveways
- Please do not park on the yellow zigzag lines or yellow lines
- Please do not stop your car in the middle of the road to allow your child into or out of the car
- Please do not leave your parked vehicle unattended with the engine running
- Please do not leave your vehicle engine running unnecessarily while your vehicle is stationary
- Please do not drive your vehicle whilst using a mobile phone

Residents have been advised to contact the Police and local authority to report any incidents.



Dates for Diary – Autumn 2023

| Autumn Term - 2023   | Time               | Event  |  |  |
|--|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Wednesday 4th October  | 9.00am-<br>10.00am | EPSA Happy Bags Collection   |  |  |
| Thursday 5th October   | 9am-12 noon        | Year 4 The Romans (History Workshop) In School                     |  |  |
| Friday 6th October   | 8.45am-9.30am      | EPSA Coffee Morning for Parents                                    |  |  |
| Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th<br>October                                    |                    | Individual/Sibling Photos  |  |  |
| Thursday 12th October  | 8.15pm-10pm        | EPSA Volunteers Team Meeting                                       |  |  |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October   | All day            | Year 6 Trip to the Royal Gunpowder Mills                           |  |  |
| Thursday 19th October  |                    | EPSA Children's Break the Rules Day                                |  |  |
| Friday 20th October  | School Closed      | Inset Day - School Closed to Children                              |  |  |
| Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October  | School Closed      | Autumn Half Term (School Closed)                                   |  |  |
| Please remember to book your child's school meals before returning to school |                    |  |  |  |
| Monday 30th October  |                    | Return to School   |  |  |
| Tuesday 31st October   |                    | National Closing Date for Secondary Transfer Applications (online) |  |  |
| Thursday 30th November   | All day            | EPSA Secret Santa  |  |  |
| Wednesday 20th December  | 1.30pm             | Break up for Christmas Holidays                                    |  |  |
| Please remember to book your child's school meals before returning to school |                    |  |  |  |
| Monday 8th January   | School Closed      | Inset Day - School Closed to Children                              |  |  |
| Tuesday 9th January  |                    | Return to School   |  |  |
| Thursday 18th January  |                    | Year 6 Young Voices School Choirs 2024 at 02 Arena                 |  |  |
| Wednesday 22nd - Friday 24th May   |                    | Year 6 Residential Trip to Osmington Bay (info to follow)          |  |  |