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29th September 2023 (4)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well and enjoying the sunshine.

Parent Rep Meeting

I would like to thank all the parents who attended our first parent rep meeting of the year. I answered all the questions that had been raised from different year groups, including parents wanting to find out more information about Connect Educational Trust. I suggested that parents/carers read the questions and answers on our school website under the 'school information' section.

We held two separate meetings for parents this week, but only 32 parents attended. If you do have any further questions that haven't been answered on the website, then please email the school office.

EPSA

EPSA have agreed that a large amount of money raised last year will be used to develop the Key Stage 1 playground. We already have plans, which include the whole grass area having a wet pour surface, a mini football pitch and large climbing frame.

I am currently working with a bid writing company to see if we can get additional funding, so we can develop it further.

Goodbye Mrs Douglas-Saul

This week we have said goodbye to Mrs Douglas-Saul, as she starts her maternity leave. She is looking forward to having a rest before her baby arrives. I am sure that you would all like to send her best wishes and we look forward to seeing her and her baby soon.

Safeguarding

In whole school assembly today, Mrs Georgiou spoke about safeguarding and what children should do if they have a concern. I hear children on a daily basis talking about games that they are playing online. It is really important that children know what to do, if they are worried or if someone is being mean.

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Please visit the website below for more information:

<https://esafetytraining.org/resources/childrens-area/3-11-year-olds>

There is also a quiz that KS2 children can take to see if they can tell the difference between a real video or picture, or one that has been generated by artificial intelligence (AI).

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Samantha Williams
Headteacher

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Class Storytime is a Success

The Farshore Storytime in School research project report has been published this week and shows just how successful class Storytime is at Eversley (along with 19 other primary schools across the UK who took part).

Children from Eversley in Years 3, 4 and 5 were gifted over 200 exciting new books for the project in the Spring Term 2023 and have enjoyed their daily Storytime so much that we have carried on with Storytime in all year groups since. Children and teachers responded to reading questionnaires at the beginning and end of the project and in Year 4 we measured the impact of the project with reading age assessments that were repeated at the end of the Spring Term. The results showed an increase in reading ages particularly in the “well-above” standard in year 4. Furthermore, Storytime inspired children who weren’t ‘readers’ to start reading and improved classroom well-being.



Having a selection of new, high-quality books is key and we are always grateful of donations both of funds and good quality books for our school.

If you would like to read the full research report from Farshore [click here](#).

Ms Heiler & the Key Stage 2 Teachers

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/storytime-favourites/storytime-favourites-lower-ks2/>



<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/storytime-favourites/storytime-favourites-upper-ks2/>

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Forest School News

Last week we had a very muddy time at forest school.

The year 3 children were having a great time making stick crafts, we had a lot of fairies, teepees and fairy wands made from sticks, wool, ribbons, pipe cleaners and leaves. We even managed to make some stick football players, and a goal. It was lovely seeing the children getting so involved and new friendships forming.



I was so inspired by the year 3 classes that I brought the crafts out for the year 6 children too. They went back to 1942 and played like children of that time, making stick people. We also had some children digging to make a home made shelter, some were making pretend weapons using sticks and string, and an epic marble run made from the guttering and pipes we have on site.

(Anna Reekie - Forest School)

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Eversley Orchestra

We have started an Eversley Orchestra which meets in the Music Room at 12:30pm on a Wednesday. We are looking to include all violin, viola, cello, clarinet and saxophone players. If you have been learning your instrument since January 2023, please come and join us. The session is led by one of our music tutors Elliot and I am helping. We had lots of fun this week.

Separately, a Guitar Group meets in the Music Room at 12:30pm on a Thursday. Please come and join that group if you play the guitar.

Mrs Evans



Transition to secondary school online sessions for parents of children with SEND in Year 5 or 6

Our Voice and SENDIASS are running two online sessions for parents and carers about choosing a secondary school for children with additional needs.

These sessions are on Tuesday 3rd October, 10.30 - 12.00pm, and on Monday 9th October, 12.30 - 2.00pm. They are also going to have a representative from the SEN team to answer any questions the parents may have. Please see the attached flyer with this information (which has details on how to book the sessions).

(Mrs Gonzalez - Inclusion Manager)

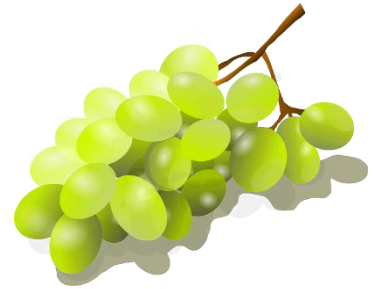


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Fruit at School

In KS1 children take their fruit out to eat at playtime. If your child is bringing grapes to eat, please ensure that they are cut in half lengthways to ensure they are not a choking hazard. Many thanks.



House Captains

Thank you to all the children who put forward speeches for the role of House Captain. All your speeches were inspiring and persuasive.

After counting the votes the following children were voted :

Caxton Captain	Cleo 6K
Vice Captain	Reece 6L
Scott Captain	Alea 6k
Vice Captain	Christina 6L
Fleming Captain	Sofia K 6K
Vice Captain	Alex 6B
Marconi Captain	Zoe 6L
Vice Captain	Aaron 6K

Congratulations!!

(Ms Lauder)

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Superstars

Congratulations to this week's Superstars



Superstars			
1C	Tarjun	4E	Aydin
1M	Lucas	4KR	Shay
2G	Shay	4SE	Mylan
2N	Harriet	5A	Isabella
3C	Melina	5BH	Hannah
3D	Keyvan & Misha	6K	Lana
		6L	Arya



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Well done to the pupils who received a Thank You Certificate for making Eversley a better place by demonstrating one of our Eversley Values

Thank You Certificates							
1C	Dylan	&	Hong Yau	5A	Riaan		Zeynep
1M	Ariana	&	Lucas	5BH	Asena	&	Gabriel



Birthday Book Donations



We would like to wish

Gabriella (1M)

a very Happy Birthday and thank you for donating a birthday book to your class

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/eversleyeps/?invite=UA33U9%26referral-campaign=c2s%26utm_campaign=admin-trigger%26utm_content=srt

Our value for the month of September is

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Attendance

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 95.76%

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.

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Dates for Diary – Autumn 2023

Autumn Term - 2023	Time	Event
Wednesday 4th October	9.00am-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 October		Individual/Sibling Photos
Thursday 12th October	8.15pm-10.00pm	EPSA Volunteers Team Meeting
Wednesday 18th October	All day	Year 6 Trip to the Royal Gunpowder Mills
Thursday 19th October		Flu Vaccine for Children with Parental Consent
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
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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 O2 Arena
Wednesday 22nd - Friday 24th May		Year 6 Residential Trip to Osmington Bay

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