

19<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (6)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to write about the ongoing situation in the Middle East. Our thoughts are with all the innocent victims and families that this devasting conflict is having on them.

It is important that we support families and children, particularly those of Jewish and Muslim faith. If any families or children are affected and wish to get in contact, we are here to listen and support in any way we can.

We are proud of our diverse community and know that we can all come together during this difficult time.

#### **Eversley Parliament Elections**

Last Friday, all the children listened to the final 5 speeches from children who were standing to be the next Prime Minister. The children did an amazing job and spoke confidently in front of the school. At the end of assembly, the children marked their ballot paper with an 'x' for the child they were voting for. On Sunday evening, I sat and counted the votes and even took a picture to show the children that the process was done fairly.



We would like to congratulate Esther (Year 6) who is the next Eversley Prime Minister and Sophia (Year 4) who will be the next Deputy Prime Minister.

Congratulations also to Shay (Year 2) who will be in charge of the Sports & Well-Being Cabinet, Toby (Year 3) who will be in charge of the Finance & Fundraising Cabinet and Alice (Year 5) who will be in charge of the Environment Cabinet.

#### **Thank You - James Clements**

James Clements (Parent Governor) will be stepping down at the end of this term after being a Parent Governor for 5 years. Over the last few years, James has supported the Achievement Committee and teachers with his wealth of knowledge about education. He has most recently been working with the teachers developing whole class reading across KS2, which the staff have really appreciated and have now embedded into their reading curriculum .

We would all like to thank James for the time and support he has given the school. Thank you James!



#### **Congratulations Mrs Douglas-Saul!**

Mrs Douglas Saul gave birth to her beautiful baby boy Taron on Tuesday. Mum and baby are doing really well. I am sure that you would like to join me in sending best wishes and happiness for the years ahead.

#### **School Improvement Priorities 2023-2024**

Please see below the School Improvement Priorities that we have already started working on, which we hope to achieve by July 2024.

- To further become a health promoting school and achieve positive outcomes for all, through the use of trauma informed practice
- To further enhance teaching and learning techniques to ensure quality first teaching for all pupils
- To build on our strong foundations, increasing attainment & progress for all pupils in reading, writing and maths at the end of EYFS, KS1 and KS2
- To develop both staff and pupils' skills, knowledge, understanding and capability in computing

#### **CEOP**

As a school we have a CEOP button on every computer that the children use. They can also access this on the school's website under e-safety.

CEOP helps keep children and young people safe online. It helps thousands of children and young people every year, as well as their parents and carers.

If your child is concerned about anything online, then they can press the CEOP button and report this.



I hope you all have a lovely half term break.

Best wishes,

Samantha Williams Headteacher





### **Parent/Carer Consultations**

The parent/carer consultations will be held on Tuesday 7th November between 4pm-6.30pm and on Thursday 9th November between 5pm-7.30pm for all classes except Woodpecker, Class 1EM, Year 2, Class 4KR & Class 6B (please see details below).

Parents will receive an email from ParentMail, our online service for arranging appointments, to advise when the booking system will be available to book an appointment. Please log on to your ParentMail account, click on Parents Evening and select your choice of time.

Only one appointment is allocated per child. The duration of the consultation is 10 minutes, which will take place in your child's classroom.

If you are having difficulty in connecting to your ParentMail account, or if you require more than one appointment, please contact the school office immediately.

**Woodpecker** – Please note Woodpecker parent/carer consultations will be held on Wednesday 8th November 2023 and on Wednesday15th November between 5pm-7.30pm.

**Class 1EM** – Please note Class 1EM parent/carer consultations will be held on Tuesday 7th November 2023 between 4pm-6.30pm and on Tuesday 14th November between 3.30pm-6pm.

**Year 2** – Please note Year 2 parent/carer consultations will be held on Tuesday 7th November 2023 between 4pm-6.30pm and on Wednesday 8th November between 5pm-7.30pm.

Class 4KR – Please note Class 4KR parent/carer consultations will be held on Tuesday 7th November 2023 between 4pm-6.30pm and on Thursday 9th November between 1pm-3pm.

Class 6B – Please note Class 6B parent/carer consultations will be held on Thursday 9th November between 5pm-7.30pm and Tuesday 14th November 2023 between 3.30pm-6pm.



#### Year 4 Roman Workshop

Last Thursday, a Roman soldier came into our school and told us everything about the Roman times.

He showed us how they dressed and the protection they wore. He dressed in a linen tunic underneath his body armour and had a skirt to wear to protect the bottom part of his body.

He told us all about the times that they came into Britain and fought against us.

The most fascinating part was that three children were allowed to wear the armour and hold the sharp sword.



We did a slow-motion fight where we had two teams, Romans vs the Barbarians. I was on the Romans team, and we won. I really enjoyed meeting the brave Roman soldier.

Theo B - 4SE

#### **Reception Admissions - September 2024**

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 you will need to apply for a reception place for September 2024. The Information booklet is currently available to view on line at Enfield Information for Parents September-2024

- You may submit your application online at eadmissions.org.uk
- Closing date to submit your application is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024
- ➤ If you are applying under the sibling criteria, remember to state on the application that your child has a brother or sister already attending Eversley Primary School. Must be attending in September 2024 to qualify as a sibling



#### **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%26referral-campaign=c2s%26utm\_campaign=admin-trigger%26utm\_content=srt

#### Atttendance

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 96.16%

Our value for the month of October is

# Equality



House Point Winners last week were ...



**Scott** 



#### **Forest School News**

Last week at forest school the year 3 children were busy making webs and spiders with their newfound skill of drilling conkers with palm drills. Autumn is slowly changing the way the forest school site is looking and as well as the planned activities the children had good fun free playing.

We welcomed year 2 down to the site this week, after we had reminded ourselves how to keep safe at forest school. I read Autumn Adventure a yoga story and we tried the yoga poses around the oak tree. The children were very excited to be back and had a wonderful time.



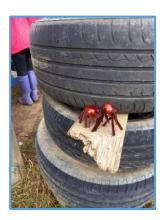












#### **More Forest School News**

October is Black History month and year 3 celebrated that at forest school last week. We learnt about a farmer called David Mwanaka who is growing white maze on a farm in Enfield. David is a minority as a black farmer in the UK and had to convince many people for a long time that white maze could indeed be grown in the UK.

I managed to get hold of some white maze and we cooked it on the fire, similar as you would with semolina and served it with some honey.

The children were really good at trying a little spoonful and most of us enjoyed it.













Year 2 were busy making conker necklaces, using fine motor skills, social skills and perseverance. They used the palm drills to drill trough the conker and thread through string to make the necklace, it took a lot of concentration.

This week is the last session for year 3 and 2, and as always on the last session the children get to free play more and we will of course make s'mores.

Thank you year 3 and year 2 teams for the support - you have been great!

After half term we will welcome the Nightingales, Year 1 and Year 5.

Enjoy half term!

Anna Reekie





## **Birthday Book Donations**



We would like to wish

Erín (Kingfisher), Flora (Kingfisher) and Keira (1M)

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



Well done to the pupils who received a Thank You Certificate over the last 2 weeks for making Eversley a better place by demonstrating one of our Eversley Values

Thank You Certificates							
2N	Ruby		4E	Aila	&	Zachary	
3D	Edin		4SE	Harie, Isa, Theo	&	Zoes	

Thank You Certificates							
1C	Eleni	&	Theo N	4KR	Akin	&	Sophia A
1EM	Giulia			4SE	Isabella		
1M	Gabriella	&	Nixon	5A	Hana		Rowan
2G	Duana	&	Sebastian	5BH	Nya	&	Zion
2N	Emilio			6K	Matthew	&	Zoe
					Levi	&	Maisy



# Superstars

### Congratulations to the last 2 week's Superstars





Superstars						
1C	Manha	4E	Suleyman			
1EM	Jason	4KR	Freya			
1M	Alex	4SE	Harie			
2G	Sami	5A	Bobby			
2N	Harry & Teo	5BH	Tanyel			
2PS	Eesa	6B	Sebastian			
3D	Eleni	6K	Chloe D			
		6L	Ibrahim S			

Superstars					
1C	Dylan & Manha		Edin		
1EM	Rishna	3P	Orfeas		
1M	Elena	4KR	Dania		
2G	Sadie	4SE	Havana		
2N	I Ainoa		Lea		











### **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			
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 boo	k your child's scho	ool meals before returning to school			
Monday 30th October		Return to School			
Monday 30th October-Friday 10th November		EPSA Secret Santa Donations			
Tuesday 31st October		National Closing Date for Secondary Transfer Applications (online)			
Tuesday 7th November	4pm-6.30pm	Parent/Carer Consultations (In Person) see Newsletter for full details			
Wednesday 8th November	5pm-7.30pm	Parent/Carer Consultations (In Person) Woodpecker Class & Year 2 Only			
Thursday 9th November		Year 2 Trip to the London Eye			
Thursday 9th November	1pm-3pm	Parent/Carer Consultations (In Person) Class 4KR Only			
Thursday 9th November	5pm-7.30pm	Parent/Carer Consultations (In Person) see Newsletter for full details			
Tuesday 14th November	3.30pm-6pm	Parent/Carer Consultations (In Person) Classes 1EM & 6B Only			
Wednesday 15th November	5pm-7.30pm	Parent/Carer Consultations (In Person) Woodpecker Class Only			
Friday 1st December	All day	EPSA Secret Santa			
Thursday 7th & Friday 8th December	All day	EPSA Christmas Bingo			
Wednesday 13th December		Reception Trip to the Arts Depot			
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			
Monday 3rd - Friday 7th June		Year 6 Residential Trip to Kingswood			
Thursday 11th & Friday 12th July		Year 4 Residential Trip to Phasels Wood Activity Centre			