

8th December 2023 (12)

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an exciting week it has been as we start the Christmas countdown!

Reception Concert - Goldilocks and the Three Bears

This week Reception performed their production of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. Everyone was really proud of how confidently the children sang, danced and performed. The show was brilliant and really brought a smile to everyone's face! I would like to thank all the staff who worked hard to help the children put on such a great production and created a special memory that the children and parents/carers who were watching will treasure forever.



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Christmas Lunch

On Wednesday 6th December, the children had their Christmas lunch in school. I would like to thank EPSA and all the parents who helped raise money to buy two speakers and four microphones. The children and staff had a brilliant time doing Christmas karaoke, and some children even performed on the stage. It really did make it an extra special lunchtime. The children asked if we could do it every day!



EPSA Christmas Bingo

Thank you to EPSA, especially Sultan, Joanna, Claire, Katy, Jo and Ozlem who gave up their time over two days to go into every class and play a game of Bingo. The children loved it and each class winner received a bag of goodies. Every child who took part got a delicious biscuit. Thank you to EPSA for another great event 😊



Sustainability Assembly

Thank you to some of the Environment Cabinet, Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister who delivered an assembly today about sustainability. As a school we will be thinking about how we can be more sustainable with water. The Environment Cabinet have come up with some ideas below:

- Turn off the water in the taps when you are not using them
- Only pour the amount of water you want to drink
- Collect the rain water in water butts to water the plants
- Check that taps aren't dripping and are turned off
- Use the water in the jugs that is left over at lunchtime to water the plants or fill the pond

Please remember that the Finance and Fundraising cabinet are organising 'A Great Winter Bake Off' on Thursday 14th December. After school we will sell cakes and drinks, so please come and support them. All the money raised will be put towards buying a water butt and a giant chess set for the playground.



Norovirus

Norovirus cases are increasing across the borough as the temperature drops. Norovirus causes [diarrhoea](#) and [vomiting](#) and is one of the most common stomach bugs in the UK. Please see the information below, which we would like you to discuss with your child/children.

- stay off school if you catch it, for at least 48 hours after the norovirus symptoms have stopped
- avoid visiting anyone in hospital during this time
- wash your hands frequently and thoroughly with soap and water, particularly after using the toilet and before preparing or handling food
- be aware that alcohol-based hand gels don't kill the virus

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Christmas Jumper Day

On Thursday 7th December everyone wore their Christmas jumper to help raise money for 'Save The Children'.



Christmas Jumper Day is an annual fundraising event we hold to help raise money for essential needs for children across the world. The Finance & Fundraising Cabinet counted the money and we helped raise £343. Thank you!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Samantha Williams
Headteacher

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Dear Parent/Carer,

The school has been given the opportunity to take part in a project that will run jointly between schools and the Metropolitan Police Service. This project is known as Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass is the notification to schools that a child (under 18) has been exposed to, or involved in, any domestic incident. This will ordinarily be done by the start of the next school day.

Operation Encompass will ensure that a specially trained member of the school staff, known as a Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), is informed. The DSL can then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to ensure the wellbeing of the child.

The school may be able to make provisions or adjustments to assist the child and their family.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

Ms Williams
Head Teacher



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Forest School News

Last week at forest school, the cold had set in and some classes moved inside but that did not stop us having fun!

For the Nightingales, the sun came out to play so we caught the moment and had some fun tracing our shadows with chalk, the infant playground looked amazing with all the little chalk people with very long legs!



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Forest School News contd....

Both Year 1 and Year 5 made bird feeders to help the birds have full tummies in the winter! We hung the feeders outside the classrooms so that when the children are very still and quiet, they might just catch the birds feasting on cheerios and raisins.

Thank you all for your continued enthusiasm.

Anna Reekie - Forest School

Listening to Music

This month we are listening to some calming music which relates to friendship. The first piece is by one of the first female composers, the American, Amy Beach. Amy Beach was a virtuoso pianist, who promised her husband, that despite her talent, she would only perform one concert a year. Instead, she turned her attention to composing, and composed this Romance at age 26. It was to be played by her friend Maud Powell, a fantastic violinist and herself at the piano. The second piece is 'Nimord' from Edward Elgar's Enigma variations. Each piece in this set of variations is a musical portrait of a member of Elgar's family or a friend. Nimord is describing Augustus Jaeger, Elgar's editor. It is called Nimord as it means hunter, and Jäger in German means hunter.

Sara Evans - Subject Leader for Music & The Arts

Thank You!

Thank you to the parents of 2PS and 2N who kindly donated lots of supplies for our classes, they are much appreciated!

Miss Nero, Hayley, Mrs Perkinton and Luna



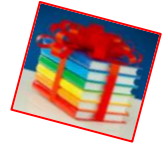
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Birthday Book Donations



We would like to wish

Berkan (Woodpecker), Albie (1C) and Aleyana (3D)

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

Our value for the month of December is

Kindness

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 95.91%

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

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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							
3C	Muhammed	&	Yaz	5BH	Krish	&	Yasemin
3D	Johnny	&	Mojere	6B	Emir	&	Isabella
4KR	Ella	&	Seafra	6K	Grace	&	Rowan
4SE	Oscar	&	Rona				



House Point Winners this week are ...



Fleming

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Superstars

Congratulations to this week's Superstars



Superstars			
1C	Alissa	4E	Ektoras
1EM	Jack	4KR	Jessica
1M	Phoebe	4SE	Omari
2G	Daria	5A	Jude
2N	Arya	5H	Jaylen & Theo
2PS	Ellie	5BH	Angela
3C	Zehra	6B	Paul
3D	Mojere	6K	Arfah
3P	Asher	6L	Eren



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Dates for Diary – Autumn 2023

Autumn Term	Time	Event
Monday 11th December	9am-11.30am	Year 5 Young Shakespeare Workshop (In School)
Tuesday 12th December	9.15am-10.00am	1C Christmas Production to Parents
Tuesday 12th December	am	Years 2-6 St Thomas' Church
Wednesday 13th December	9.15am-10.00am	1M Christmas Production to Parents
Wednesday 13th December		Reception Trip to the Arts Depot
Thursday 14th December	9.15am-10.00am	1EM Christmas Production to Parents
Thursday 14th December	After School	Great Winter Bake Sale - Junior Hall
Monday 18th December	pm	Reception, Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Christmas parties
Tuesday 19th December	pm	Years 1 & 2 Christmas parties
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
Monday 15th January		Deadline for Submission for Reception Sept 2024
Thursday 18th January		Year 6 Young Voices School Choirs 2024 at O2 Arena
Monday 22nd January	9am-10am	EPSA Happy Bags Collection (drop off at either gate)
Tuesday 23rd January	am	Year 5 Trip to Bayfordbury Observatory
Monday 3rd June	9am-10am	EPSA Happy Bags Collection (drop off at either gate)
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

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Cookery Club – Spring term 2024

For ages 5 and up. The children will learn simple cooking skills, and cook a variety of interesting dishes each week. We will cover all the different food groups. They will learn about ingredients, and how to cook easy, healthy food. My cooking classes run in a number of schools in North London – where my lessons are popular and oversubscribed. I also run my own cookery school for adults and teach cooking to vulnerable families as part of HomeStart charity.

Cookery club will run on Tuesdays and Fridays, after school, in the Training Room. All equipment and ingredients provided.

Cost is £14 per lesson. Please register your interest with Samina at si.remote@gmail.com as soon as possible.

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CK performing arts After school classes at Eversley Primary

Monday

**Eversley Primary
Musical Theatre
3pm-5.30pm
£20 pw**

Spring term

**January 15th
March 25
No class 12th Feb**

Musical Theatre lessons for children who love the arts. Lessons in Drama, dance and singing. For more information please contact us.

Book now

**Two week trials available
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