

2nd February 2024 (18)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and having a good week.

Whole school Assembly

Today, the Teaching & Learning and Environment Cabinet led the whole school assembly.

Thank you to the Environment Cabinet who created their own PowerPoint slide to explain sustainable water, the bird box challenge and other competitions they are organising!

Paul explained that there are lots of ways to be more sustainable with water in school. For example, rainwater collecting systems are a great way to be more sustainable. Some water could be used to wash dishes at lunchtime, and some could be used to fill a bird bath that we could install in the future.

Pav wasn't in school, but had a great slide which he had created to show what we could all do to be more sustainable with water. Some of his ideas are below:

- Turn off the taps when you brush your teeth
- Have a quick shower rather than a long bath
- Save dirty clothes to do one big load of washing
- Try to eat and cook most of your food at home, as lots of water is used to produce foods we buy in the supermarkets
- Catch rainwater to help water your plants

Joshua had carried out a lot of research about water butts and which ones we should buy as a school. He shared this information with the children and will be going around to each class, letting the children vote before the cabinet purchase them.

Diliara announced the first competition –

Design a poster for sustainable water and win a voucher for £10!

She went through the points that they need to follow, if they want to design a poster. Please see below:

- All posters must be on A4 paper
- You can draw by hand or design your poster on the computer (but you must hand in a printed copy if you do it on the computer)
- Posters must be handed in to Ms Williams by the end of school on Friday 9th February 2024



Zion talked about how we need to keep the ponds clean from rubbish and asked for children to help keep them clean. He also asked for volunteers to water plants with water that isn't drunk at lunchtime.

Alice had also designed a competition to create a bird box for our nature garden, which has now been emailed to all parents. She shared some great ideas of how you could make one and Roma and Harry shared their designs.



Thank you to the Environment Cabinet who did a great job presenting!

The Teaching & Learning Cabinet presented to the school details of an exciting Times Table Rockstars club they are setting up on Friday lunchtimes. The club started today and it was a great success! Please remind your child if they would like to attend on Fridays, it is a drop-in session between 12.00-1.00.





D& T Spotlight Homework

Congratulations to all of the children who have been busy cooking at home. I have loved seeing and tasting a range of the different dishes and cakes.

I will be looking at them all over half term on TEAMS, but I thought I would share some photos of children who brought in soup, cookies, bread and pizza for me to try. They were all delicious!



Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Samantha Williams Headteacher



Year 4 Trip to St Alban's Cathedral

Last Thursday, Year 4 went on a trip to St Alban's Cathedral for a Roman Day workshop.

The children all took part in 3 activities. They re-enacted the story of Alban who challenged the Romans belief in many Gods and was killed for his attempt to convert Romans to Christianity. Each child was given a part to play in the story and wore Roman clothes.

They also took part in a 'blanket dig,' which gave children the opportunity to see artefacts from archaeological digs in St Albans and discuss their historical value.

Finally, the children made some Roman snacks that would have been eaten at their feasts and had the chance to taste them. It was the first time that some of our children had tasted dates and figs.

Year 4 enjoyed their visit to the Cathedral and a good day was had by all.



Safer Internet Day

Next Tuesday is "Safer Internet Day" and is celebrated nationally to raise the profile of e-safety awareness. We feel that parents/carers play a vital role in keeping children safe online so if you would like some more



information about how to do this, please follow the link below:

https://www.onlinesafetyuk.com/parental-resources/

Please also ensure you have open conversations with your children about what they do whilst they are online, which games they enjoy playing and set time limits for them. If you would like any support setting up restrictions, I am more than happy to help with this.

Miss Goddard - Computing Coordinator









Congratulations to this week's superstars who will be having superstar tea with Ms Williams next Friday

Superstars						
1C	Edvin	3P	Joel			
1EM	Deeya	4SE	Kristen			
1M	Gabriella	5A	Zachary			
2G	Amaryllis	5BH	Joshua			
2N	Sare / Siena	6B	Sienna			
2PS	Erdem	6L	Heath			





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								
1EM	Anastasia	&	Mikael	3P	Ayden			
1M	Alex	&	Elena	5BH	Hugo	&	Luke	
2G	Daria	&	Leon	6B	Amelia	&	Arielle	
2PS	Azania	&	Roma	6L	Esther	&	Reece	









Birthday Donations



We would like to wish

Kiara (1EM)

a very Happy Birthday and thank you for the donations to your class

Our value for the month of February is



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 95.67%



Dates for Diary – Spring/Summer 2024

Autumn Term	Time	Event
Tuesday 6th February		Safer Internet Day
Friday 9th February		Non Uniform Day - Part of Children's Mental Health Week
Friday 9th February	2.00pm	Year 5 Fashion Show to Parents
Monday 12th - Friday 16th February	School Closed	Spring Half Term
Monday 19th February		Return to School
Friday 23rd February		Deadline for Birdbox Challenge
Friday 1st March		National Offer Day for Secondary Transfer
Tuesday 19th March	5.00pm-7.30pm	Parent Consultations (In School)
Thursday 21st March	4.00pm-6.30pm	Parent Consultations (In School)
Friday 22nd March	**NEW DATE**	EPSA Quiz Night
Wednesday 27th March		Break up for Easter Holidays (normal time)
Thursday 28th March	School Closed	Inset Day - School Closed to Children
Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April	School Closed	Easter Holiday
Monday 15th April		Return to School
Tuesday 16th April		Reception Classes Hearing Tests
Wednesday 17th - Friday 19th April		Year 5 Trip to France
Thursday 18th April		Reception Classes Hearing Tests
Wednesday 24th & Thursday 25th April		Class & Sports Team Photography
Tuesday 30th April		Reception Classes Hearing Tests
Thursday 2nd May	School Closed	Local Elections
Monday 6th May	School Closed	May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 27th - Friday 31st May	School Closed	Summer Half Term
Monday 3rd June		Return to School
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
Friday 12th July - Save The Date	evening event	Year 6 Leavers Party - Full Info to Follow
Wednesday 24th July	1.30pm	Break up for Summer Holidays