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INFORM



Dear Parents and Carers,

As a school, **we have been offered 2 tickets to all of the MK Dons home games for the rest of the season.** The games are between 24th January and 25th April. If anybody is interested in attending one of the games, please email parents@5devs and mark for the attention of Miss Bennett. What a wonderful opportunity!

This week, **communication regarding the Year 3 Pizza and Pyjama party on the evening of 6th February was sent out via Arbor.** Please make sure that you give consent and make the £5 payment by the end of the day on 29th January in order for your child to take part. We cannot accept any payments after this time.

Next week, we look forward to Science week across the school. Please remember that any **science week homework entries should be brought into school on Monday.** Also next week, our Year 6 children are looking forward to visiting Bletchley Park as part of their learning about World War II.

Whilst we understand that children do get poorly, we have seen a real dip in our school attendance figures over the last 2 weeks. Combined with this, some families are not communicating with us when their child is absent. **If your child is too unwell to come to school, please log the absence directly on the Arbor website or app, or call the school and leave a message on the absence line – option 2.** Please expect communication from school via phone call or via Arbor if we do not have contact from you and your child is absent from school. Please refer to the NHS website for the latest guidance on whether your child should attend school or not. This can be found [here](#).

Have an enjoyable weekend,

Mrs White
Executive Headteacher



Attendance Matters

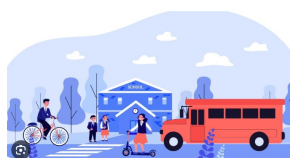


SAFETY FIRST



Please remember that parking safely and responsibly in our local area is **EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.** It is disappointing that, particularly when it is

raining, that some Parents and Carers do not park safely and are confrontational when spoken to by others about not following the Highway Code. There are plenty of areas to park nearby if you need to collect your child in a car. **Please prioritise the safety of everybody's child by doing this.**



Travel Survey

As part of our ongoing commitment to sustainability, we are looking at how our school community travels to and from school. Understanding transport choices will help us identify ways to reduce our environmental impact and promote greener travel options. We kindly ask you to take a few minutes to complete our Transport Survey by 31st January. Please click [here](#) to complete the survey.

GOLD AWARDS

Year 3: Fatma & Alessia (Bluebells), Noori (Cherry Blossoms), Afreen (Snapdragons), Harry (Sunflowers)

Year 4: Arthur (Eagles), Luke (Flamingos), Elenia (Penguins), Ollie (Swifts)

Year 5: Olivia (Axolotls), Demi (Jellyfish), Ali (Orcas)

Year 6: Bilal (Attenborough), Zayaan (Darwin), Taylor (Luther King), Mia (Parks)

Music Awards: Emilie (Sunflowers), Jedidiah (Penguins), Andrei (Turtles), Deri (Parks)

PE Awards: Reiss (Bluebells), Joshua (Swifts), Ibrahim (Jellyfish), Eos (Parks)





Spring Term dates

These dates are for both Merebrook and Emerson Valley
unless otherwise indicated. **NEW EVENTS IN RED.**



13 th January 2026	Year 6 SATS information evening for parents 5:00pm
16 th January 2026	Turtles Parks Trust trip
19 th – 23 rd January 2026	Science Week
20 th January 2026	Starling class to Westcroft library
21 st January 2026	Finch class to Westcroft library Friends of EVS Committee meeting at 5:45pm
22 nd January 2026	Year 6 to Bletchley Park
23 rd January 2026	Axolotls Parks Trust trip
26 th January 2026	Young Voice choir to Birmingham
28 th January 2026	Year 2 Biscuits with books parents invited from 2:15 pm
29 th January 2026	Year 5 trip to Silverstone
2 nd February 2026	Year 3 celebration of work Parents invited into school at 3:25pm
4 th February 2026	Year 4 celebration of work pm Parents invited into school at 2:45pm
5 th February 2026	Year 6 celebration of work pm time to be confirmed
6 th February 2026	Year 3 Pizza and pyjama party 5:30-8:30pm
3 rd March 2026	Snapdragons to Campbell Park NEW DATE EYFS celebration of work pm time to be confirmed
4 th March 2026	Cherry Blossoms to Campbell Park
5 th March 2026	World Book Day
6 th March 2026	Sunflowers to Campbell Park
10 th and 11 th March 2026	Parent Consultations from 3:40pm
13 th March 2026	Bluebells to Campbell Park
17 th March 2026	Robins to Westcroft library
18 th March 2026	Kestrels to Westcroft library
20 th March 2026	Red nose day: non-uniform day
25 th March 2026	Year 5 performance to parents 2:30pm
27 th March 2026	Rocksteady concert to parents 2pm