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INFORM



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move into the warmer weather, we are pleased to see an improvement in our overall school attendance. Thank you for your support in ensuring that your child is in school every day, on time. Our overall school attendance is now slightly above the National average. Whilst morning drop off is from 8:40-8:55am **we would like to encourage all children to be on the playground by 8:45am** so that they are able to line up with their class as they enter the school building. **Please refer to page 3 of our newsletter for a reminder how days missed can impact your child's overall attendance.** As a reminder, term time holidays cannot be authorised and will be referred to the Local Authority for FPN (Fixed Penalty Notice). This is currently £80 per parent for each child.

The summer term is a busy time for school visits. On page 2, you will see a list of these trips. Please look out for Arbor communication about each trip in the coming weeks. As a school we are committed to broadening the education experience for our children and want to be able to take them out at least once per academic year on an educational visit. However, given the limited school budget resources available, we are not able to finance all school visits and require voluntary contributions. The cost of each trip has been calculated on the assumption that all parents will contribute the stated amount. **If we do not receive enough money to cover the costs, then the trip will not be able to proceed.** We are able to support parents with payment plans, to spread the cost over a number of weeks, so please speak to our school office if you would like to do this.

Please remember that on **Saturday 13th June we are holding our EVS Summer Fair from 11-1pm.** The event promises to be a fantastic community event and we would like to invite all of our families and the wider community to pop along. As part of this, we are holding a 'Rainbow Raffle' - where multiple hampers are created, each themed around a specific colour of the rainbow. Each year group has been assigned a colour and we are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 15th May 2026 to gather donations for this. If your child wishes to wear non-uniform on this day, please send in a raffle donation in their assigned year group colour. **Please refer to page 4 of this newsletter for more details.** We are also looking for independent stall holders to join the event. **The cost of a stall is £15.** If you run your own small business and would like a stall, please email learningmentors@evs5d.com for more information. We are really looking forward to this day, so please help to raise funds for our school by supporting the raffle if you are able to. Have a good weekend,

Mrs White
Executive Headteacher

Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) Policy

On Tuesday you should have received an Arbor message regarding our consultation to this policy. The learning your child receives has **not changed** and is the same as in previous years. We continue to use the Jigsaw programme. The consultation is about the written policy, which we must share with parents before it is formally approved. The consultation period is between **21.04.2026** until **28.04.2026**. If you have any comments or questions regarding this, please email parents@evs5d.com for the attention of Miss Roche.



GOLD AWARD WINNERS

Year 3: Sophia (Bluebells), Matifadza (Cherry Blossoms), Pratyush (Snapdragons) Jane (Sunflowers)

Year 4: Amelia (Swifts), Adam (Eagles), Omar (Flamingos), Jay (Penguins), Swifts Class

Year 5: Riaan (Axolotls), Nia (Jellyfish), Arrshia (Orcas), Samu (Turtles)

Year 6: Zasmina (Attenborough), Khloe (Darwin), Mason (Luther King), Cole (Parks)

Music Awards: Imogen (Bluebells), Gianna (Penguins), Kasmirah (Axolotls), Rick (Luther King)

PE Awards: Archie (Cherry Blossom), Maddie (Turtles), Christa (Attenborough), Shaun (Flamingos)





Summer Term dates

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



7th—8th May 2026	Year 4 Residential to Caldecotte
11th - 14th May 2026	Year 6 SATS week
11th May 2026	EYFS Maths workshop 2 2-3pm
12th May 2026	Year 1 celebration of work at 2:30pm
13th May 2026	Year 2 celebration of work at 2:30pm
14th May 2026	Year 3 celebration of work (afternoon - time to be confirmed)
15th May 2026	EVS non-uniform day for colour raffle donation for Summer Fair
19th May 2026	Year 4 celebration of work (afternoon - time to be confirmed)
20th - 22nd May 2026	Year 6 Residential to The Bushcraft Company
21st May 2026	Year 5 celebration of work (afternoon - time to be confirmed)
1st June 2026	INSET day. School closed to children.
2nd-12th June 2026	Year 4 Multiplication and Times Tables Check (MTC)
4th June and 5th June 2026	Year 3 trip to Gullivers
13th June 2026	EVS Summer Fair from 11-1pm. All invited!
16th June 2026	Merebrook Sports Day for 'Big Nest' children only at 2pm
17th June 2026	Merebrook Sports day - EYFS at 9am and Key Stage 1 at 10:30am Year 6 Parents coffee afternoon at 2pm (focus on transition and change)
18th June 2026	New Year 3 parents information evening at EVS - 5pm.
22nd and 23rd June 2026	Year 4 to St Albans Cathedral
23rd June 2026	Year 2 trip to Hazard Alley Year 1 enrichment day: Victorians
25th June 2026	Years 3 and 4 Sports Day (am)
26th June 2026	Years 5 and 6 Sports Day (am) Year 6 BBQ and Sleepover
29th June 2026	Transition Day
2nd July 2026	Merebrook reserve Sports Day (only needed if event cannot go ahead on 17th June)
6th July 2026	EYFS, Year 1 and year 2 Awards at 2:45pm (invite only if your child is receiving award)
7th July 2026	EYFS trip to Woburn Safari Park Year 3 and 4 Awards at 1:30pm (invite only if your child is receiving award) Year 5 and 6 Awards at 2:15pm (invite only if your child is receiving award)
9th July 2026	Year 3 and 4 reserve Sports Day (only needed if event cannot go ahead on 25th June)
10th July 2026	Year 5 and 6 reserve Sports Day (only needed if event cannot go ahead on 26th June)
13th July 2026	Year 6 Production to Parents at 2pm (Parks and Luther King parents invited)
14th July 2026	Year 2 Leavers assembly at 9am Year 6 Production to Parents at 2pm (Attenborough and Darwin parents invited)
15th July 2026	Year 6 Prom 4:30-6:00pm
17th July 2026	Last day of the school year.



Everyday in school makes a difference to your child's future!

Gates open at 8:40a.m. every day and shut at 8:55a.m.

If arriving late, the children must enter through the main reception and sign in. They will be marked as late.

The School Day is 8:55-3:25pm

If your child is late, signed out early or absent, they are missing valuable learning opportunities.

LOST MINUTES = LOST LEARNING



Every child **EVERY DAY**



WE ARE HAVING A
DRESS DOWN DAY
DONATION DRIVE

FRIDAY 15TH MAY 2026

If children wish to dress down, they must donate an item to our Rainbow Raffle using the colours listed below.

✦ **YEAR 3 - RED**
YEAR 4 - WHITE
YEAR 5 - BLUE
YEAR 6 - GREEN





Not sure which instrument to choose?

Come and explore real instruments with guidance from our expert teachers. Children can test out strings, brass, woodwind, and percussion in a fun, hands-on open afternoon!

Saturday 25 April 2026

2-5pm

Shenley Brook End School

mkmusiccoop.com

**Free
event**



SAVE THE DATE!



EVS

SUMMER FAIR



SATURDAY 13TH JUNE

11am-1pm



More info to follow..

