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INFORM



Dear Parents and Carers,

We had a great start to the week at EVS, with a visit from **Team GB athlete Steve Frew**. Year 5 have also enjoyed their Space Dome Day, and Miss Roche, Miss Bennett and I have enjoyed popping into classrooms to observe lessons, talk to **children and look at their work**. **We have been super impressed with children's focus, independence and general hard work. Well done to everybody for a great start to the term!**

As we have approached Week 6 of this term, we have been reviewing attendance across the school. Unfortunately, we are still receiving requests for term time holidays. **A holiday is not an exceptional reason for absence from school and will not be authorised under any circumstances.** If your child's attendance already falls under 90%, this means that they are missing the equivalent of half a day of school every week. Please expect to receive contact from a member of our Learning Mentor team to discuss this with you, and offer any support in improving your child's attendance. If you would like to view our school attendance policy, this can be viewed on our school website by clicking [here](#). Our **term dates and INSET days for the next academic year, September 2026-July 2027** have now been set. Please find these attached to this newsletter and on our school websites. Please make sure that you refer to these when booking any family holidays.

As part of a review of our reading materials across the school, **we are looking for good quality texts, be that children's books, magazines, comics or recipe books!** If you can help, please send any donations into school.

Next week, we look forward to our **first parent consultations of the year after school on Wednesday and Thursday**. If you have not done so already, please book your appointment via Arbor by 7am on Monday morning. **For these meetings, please enter and exit via the main reception doors.**

Have a good weekend,

Mrs White
Executive Headteacher



Parent Governor Vacancy

We are looking for a willing parent to join our Local Governing Board. The role of governors is to work as part of the Local Advisory Board in monitoring and continuing to raise standards of achievement for all students and to provide a relevant and purposeful school experience offering positive academic, personal, and social experiences. **If you are interested in this role, please email parents@evs5d.com for more information.** Closing date for all applications is Friday 17th October.

Fidget Toys in School

To support children who benefit from using fidgets to help with focus and regulation, **the school will now provide these as needed.** We kindly ask that children **do not** bring their own fidgets from home, as personal items can easily be lost or broken, which can lead to upset. By providing them in school, we can make sure everyone who needs one has access in a fair and consistent way. Thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to make sure all our children feel happy and ready to learn.



GOLD AWARDS

Year 3: Moladeanu (Bluebells), Liam (Cherry Blossoms), Amaya (Snapdragons), Finlay (Sunflowers)

Year 4: Hemani (Eagles), Darlene (Flamingos), Callum (Penguins), Lucas (Swifts)

Year 5: Oscar (Axolotis), Benicio (Jellyfish), Violet (Orcas), Isla-Rose (Turtles)

Year 6: Luke (Attenborough), Mariam (Darwin), Rishit (Luther King), Eden (Parks)

Music Awards: Theo (Cherry Blossoms), Myra (Flamingos), Daniel (Turtles), Stanlee & Bilal (Attenborough)

PE Awards: Reid (Cherry Blossoms), Omar (Flamingos), Jadey (Axolotis), Hudheifa (Parks)





Autumn Term 2025

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



10th October 2025	World Mental Health Day - wear yellow
15th and 16th October 2025	Parent consultation meetings 3:30-6:30pm
21st October 2025	CHoMS Magic Show Event 3:15 - 4:15pm at Merebrook
22nd October 2025	Year 4 Harvest performance to Parents and Carers 2:30pm
24th October 2025	Individual and sibling photographs at EVS
27th—31st October 2025	HALF TERM BREAK
3rd November 2025	INSET day. School closed to children.
10th—14th November 2025	Anti Bullying week
10th November 2025	Odd socks day
12th November 2025	Year 3 Stone Age Workshop Merebrook individual and sibling photographs
14th November 2025	Children in Need—non-uniform day
18th November 2025	Bradwell Abbey Trip—Eagles and Penguins
19th November 2025	Year 3 Movie night—3:25-5:00pm
20th November 2025	Year 4 Movie night—3:25-5:00pm
25th November 2025	Bradwell Abbey Trip—Swifts and Flamingoes
26th November 2025	Year 5 Movie night—3:25-5:00pm
27th November 2025	Year 6 Movie night—3:25-5:00pm
3rd December 2025	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day
4th December 2025	Christmas Disco - Years 3 and 4 4:30-5:30pm, Years 5 and 6 6:00-7:00pm
8th December 2025	Year 3 Nativity - performance for parents with younger siblings at 2pm
9th December 2025	Year 3 Nativity - performance for parents of Cherry Blossoms and Sunflowers at 2pm
10th December 2025	Year 3 Nativity - performance for parents of Bluebells and Snapdragons at 2pm
11th December 2025	EYFS Christmas performance - 9:15am Key Stage 1 Carols on the playground - 2:15pm Year 5 and 6 Carols on the playground - 3:35pm
16th December 2025	Christmas shop for all year groups
17th December 2025	Pantomime for all year groups
19th December 2025	Last day of the autumn term

Year 4

Harvest Festival

**WE ARE COLLECTING FOOD FOR
THE MK FOOD BANK**

Any items listed below would be greatly appreciated | All donations to be handed in by Tuesday 21st October

Items we are collecting:

Tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned pulses, tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, long life milk, juice or squash, spreads (e.g. jams), tea, pasta, tinned veg, pasta sauce, dried rice (500g/ 1kg packets), rice pudding, custard, cereal, biscuits, soup & loo roll.





EMERSON VALLEY OPEN EVENING

**WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER
FROM 4:00-6:00 PM**

Looking for a space for Year 3 September 2026 or Year 3-6 for 2025/2026? Join us for an informal evening to drop in, meet our Headteacher & staff, get a tour of the school and sample life at EVS!

Community, Pride, Aspire



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