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INFORM



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to announce that, following the visit from GB Gymnast Steve Frew last week, we have received our fundraising total. **Collectively our school community raised a total of £4012 through their sponsorship.** This is simply amazing!! This means that we now have £2012 for our school - and we will be asking our newly appointed School Council to spend this money. We are also happy to have raised £2000 for the Great Athletes Charity through this event. Such great fundraising - thank you to our wonderful EVS community!

Earlier in the week you should have received Arbor communication regarding the **Mayor's Christmas Card Competition.** Last year, we were lucky enough to have a winning entry in our school and we hope to have the same again this year. Please make sure all entries are returned to Miss Fraser by Wednesday next week so that we can ensure that the entries get entered prior to the deadline.

Please bring **any items that are being donated to our Harvest MK Food Bank collection** into school on Monday or Tuesday this week. Please see page 3 of this newsletter for a guide to recommended items requested by the Food Bank. Many thanks in advance for your generosity supporting families outside of our school community across Milton Keynes.

Next Friday, is our **annual school photographs day.** Individual photographs will be taken of all children, and your child will come home with a QR code which will allow you to access their photograph online, and order as you wish. If your child has PE on this day, please ensure that they come into school wearing their PE bottoms with their normal t-shirt and jumper for their photograph so that they can then just change their top afterwards ready for their PE lesson.

As we are already into the last week of term next week, please remember that **we break up for half term at the end of Friday 24th October.** Monday 3rd November is an INSET day, and children return to school on Tuesday 4th November.

Have a good weekend!

Mrs White

Executive Headteacher



If your child is currently in Year 6, you need to apply for their place at Secondary School by 31st October 2025. Applying before this deadline is important

so that your child has the best chance of a place at your preferred school. Applications can be made online through the Milton Keynes City Council website or by clicking [here](#). If you need any assistance with this, please speak to our team in the school office.



Updating your details

All of our parent communication comes from Arbor, and in school we rely on

this online platform as it contains most of our pupil data.

From time to time, it's important that **Parents and Carers**

take the time to review the information we have about

their child and the main contacts we hold. This includes

checking we have the correct telephone numbers, address

and consents for your child. **Please take a few moments**

to review this information. For more guidance on how to do

this, visit the Arbor website by clicking [here](#).

GOLD AWARDS

Year 3: Naia (Bluebells), George (Snapdragons), Arina (Sunflowers), Ali (Cherry Blossoms)

Year 4: Kai (Eagles), Amelia (Swifts), Hazel (Penguins), Kaitlyn (Flamingos)

Year 5: Teddy (Jellyfish), Imogen (Turtles), Amuthan (Orcas), Veronica, Theo, Kasmirah (Axolotis)

Year 6: Alex W & Rexley (Darwin), Jada (Parks), Lilly (Attenborough), Chase (Luther King)

Music Awards: Poppy (Snapdragon), Mariam (Darwin), Tay (Axolotis), Tomisin (Swifts)

PE Awards: Harlan (Cherry Blossoms), Josh M (Eagles), Danny (Jellyfish), Saly (Parks)





Autumn Term 2025

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



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	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
2nd December 2025	Year 3 Stone Age Workshop (Change of date)
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



MEREBROOK OPEN EVENING THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER FROM 4:00-6:00 PM

Looking for a school for your child starting reception in September 2026 or a place in Reception/Year 1/Year 2 in 2025/2026? Then, join us for an informal evening to drop in, meet our Head of School & staff, get a tour of the school and sample life at Merebrook!

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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!

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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 & loaf roll.





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