



Inform



Emerson Valley School weekly newsletter for children, parents, staff and Governors.
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Dear Parents / Guardians

I am very pleased to inform you that after a fantastic election process where 21 of our Year 6 students presented their manifestos, with passion and conviction, to their peers and tried to convince them that they are the right candidate to lead their house, the results are in!

Saturn - House Captain, Tom H and Vice-Captain, Raeesah B

Mars – House Captain, Holly A and Vice-Captain, Emily M

Neptune – House Captain, Owen L-F and Vice-Captain, Eden M

Jupiter – House Captain Livvi R and Vice-Captain, Zain M-S

Congratulations to our newly elected House and Vice- Captains and special mention to all the candidates who took part in the process. Well done everyone we are all very proud of you.

Across the school there has been fantastic learning happening. Children have settled nicely into their daily routines.

Please try to check the lost property box as it is overflowing again and make sure that you write your child's name on all their belongings. Can I also ask that you regularly check the name tag on your child's school jumper as every so often children take the wrong jumper or coat home.

On behalf of all of us, I would like to thank Friends of EVS, for trying to keep our children safe by handing out information about Safer Parking.

Please make sure that if you have an internet enabled device, it is in good working order as children need to submit their homework online as we will carry on with Google Classroom for the foreseeable future.

I thank you for your continuous support.

Mrs Mathison

School absence

We understand that now that the children are all back together and we are heading for the colder months, seasonal coughs and colds are on the increase. Please use your discretion as to whether you send your child to school if they have a seasonal cold. If they are well enough and have no symptoms of Covid-19, then our normal school attendance policy applies. However, we do need all parents to adhere to the very clear Covid-19 guidelines. If your child develops any of the recognised symptoms of Covid-19 (a new continuous cough, and/or a high temperature, and/or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell) then you need to book a test for them. From this point the child should not attend school. All members of the household must isolate for 14 days. If the test result is negative, the child may return to school and the family can discontinue their isolation period. All parents and carers MUST book a test for any child or household member that develop symptoms. Please do not just keep them away from school for 14 days without a test. We understand that the tests are not easy to book however, if you continue to try, new slots are released regularly. This will help to ensure safety and get your child back into education as soon as possible. This is imperative in order to keep our whole school community safe and control the spread of the virus.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 8th October
Year 5 Space Day

Wednesday 21st October
Children break up for
Half term holiday

Monday 2nd November
Children return to school

Monday 23rd November
Nasal Flu Vaccination
(more information to
follow)
Science Week begins

Tuesday 24th November
Nasal Flu Vaccination
(more information to
follow)

Friday 18th December
Children break up for
Christmas Holiday

Tuesday 5th January
Children return to school.

**In line with
Government Guidelines
our aim is 100%
attendance
Week beginning 14th –
18th September 2020
Whole school
attendance 94.6%
Class of the week 4IA
98.8%**

Morning Drop Off

We have now been back at school for a few weeks and the children have settled in brilliantly. To help us with social distancing we now ask that children be dropped off at the school gate in the morning to help us have less people on the school site. Thank you for your support.

School Council Elections

This week children have been spoken to in their classes about our school council elections. This year, each class will elect one class representative. Children that are interested in being elected need to complete a manifesto form or write their own speech. These will be given out in class on Monday 28th September. Completed manifestos need to be returned to class teachers by **Friday 2nd October**. Elections will then take place in class during the week beginning 5th October, and during this week children will read out their manifestos to their classmates. Elected representatives will then be announced in assembly on Friday 9th October.



Year 5 Space Day

To celebrate World Space Week (Sunday 4th October - Saturday 10th October), Year 5 are having a Space Day on Thursday 8th October. The children will be immersed in a full day of Space related activities including rocket launching and painting! They will also have an 'Explorer Dome' virtual workshop where they will be star gazing! Children in Year 5 are invited to dress up on the day in Space themed clothes! This could be simply a space-themed t-shirt, an astronaut costume or even come dressed as a planet! There are lots of DIY space-themed costumes online so you could get creative! **This is not a dress-down day.** Children who do not come dressed in space-themed clothes will be expected to be in their school uniform. Finally, keep an eye out on Google Classroom for an exciting Space-themed homework that will be coming soon!

Wrap Around Care

We would like to remind parents and carers that our breakfast club and after-school care are now open. You can book your space via your parentmail account. **We do accept childcare vouchers.** If you any difficulty booking a slot, please call the school office on 01908 507914 who will be happy to help.

PE News

4SM attended their first swimming lesson this week and were a true credit to our school. They were all impeccably behaved and adapted to the new COVID guidelines extremely well. Thank you to everyone for your continued support, this is a life skill that Emerson Valley truly believe in.

Please can we ask that your child has the correct footwear for their outdoor PE lessons, especially as the weather is changing. Your child will be required to have a pair of trainers and a bag to put them in after their lesson. If you have any problems, please contact Ms Emmett or Mr Moloney.

Recycling

We would like to remind parents that aswell as crisp packets, we recycle used batteries. Each class has a box to collect these batteries so please feel free to send them in with your child.

Composer of the month – Beethoven

Ludwig van Beethoven was a German composer and pianist; his music is amongst the most performed of the classical music repertoire, and he is one of the most admired composers in the history of Western music. His works have also appeared in many films including 'The Kings Speech', 'The Lost World: Jurassic Park' and his works Symphony No. 6 was in the Walt Disney film 'Fantasia'.

Please find attached a flyer regarding parking information