



INFORM


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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you found your **parent consultations appointments** useful. It is great to have so many parents and carers in school engaging with this. I hope that you found the conversations about your child's learning and development helpful in supporting them at home with their learning. Thank you for your positive feedback on these sessions.

This week our school council have been busy selling poppies across in school in the lead up to **Remembrance day**. This morning, we held a special assembly to talk to children about significance of this day, which included a 2-minute silence



Purple Mash, the online platform that we use for teaching Computing, are running a **Christmas Card design competition**. Please find attached to this newsletter details about how to enter, if your child wishes to do so. Any entries need to be submitted by 24th November 2023.

At this time of year, we know that children pick up lots of illnesses, but encourage parents and carers to bring children to school when they are well enough. Each half term, every child's attendance is reviewed and **you may receive a letter informing you that your child's attendance needs to improve if it falls below 90%**. Please speak to one of our Learning Mentors team if you need any support with your child's attendance.

Next week is a busy one! Across the Federation, we are starting National Anti-Bullying week with **'Odd Socks' day on Monday**. Children should come into school in their normal uniform, with odd socks if they wish. This small change to their uniform celebrates that we are all different.

On Friday, our School Council are fundraising for Children in Need.

Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes rather than school uniform, wearing something yellow or spotty if they are able to, and bring with them a £1 cash donation, which will go to the charity. On the morning, some of our EVS School Council members will be collecting these donations at the front of school at morning drop off. Please support them with their fundraising efforts if you are able to.



I hope that you have now had a chance to review your **child's school photograph**. If you would like to order, please do so directly with the company. If you need any assistance with this, speak to a member of our office team and they will be happy to support you with this.

Have a good weekend,

Mrs White

Executive Headteacher

GOLD AWARDS

Year 3: Charile W & Violet 3JP, Kevin P 3EM, Ibrahim 3JT, Logan & Oscar 3JR

Year 4: Evelyn 4NB, Luke 4CM, Neha 4PH, Sami 4BM

Year 5: Daniel 5AR, Lincoln 5KH, Sophia 5LF, Toby 5LS

Year 6: Emily 6RR, Zuzanna 6GB, Alanna 6DC, Sophie 6AM

PE awards: Giovanna 4NB, Eos 4CM

Music Awards: Isla-Rose 3EM, Amy 6GB, Michaela 6GB





Merevalley Federation: Autumn Term 2023



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

13th November 2023	Anti Bullying week. Monday 13th November — Wear odd socks day
15th November 2023	Individual and sibling photographs for Merebrook children
16th November 2023	Friends of EVS Disco after school
17th November 2023	Children in Need. Wear something yellow or spotty for a £1 donation.
22nd November 2023	Year 3 Stone Age day (more details to follow)
23rd November 2023	SENCo Coffee morning 9am
7th December 2023	Christmas jumper day
8th December 2023	Visiting Pantomime to school (EYFS, Yr 1, Yr 2 and Yr 3 morning, Yrs 4-6 pm)
12th December 2023	Year 5 music showcase at 2:45pm. Parents and Carers invited.
13th December 2023	Christmas dinner day Year 3 & 4 Carols on the playground 3:25pm
14th December 2023	Year 6 music showcase at 2:45pm. Parents and Carers invited.
15th December 2023	Flu vaccinations for children at Emerson Valley
19th December 2023	EYFS Christmas performance 9:15am Key Stage 1 Christmas carols 2:15pm
21st December 2023	EYFS celebration of work afternoon
22nd December 2023	Last day of the autumn term.

TERM DATES 2023-2024

Autumn Term	5th September 2023 – 22nd December 2023
Spring Term	8th January 2024 – 28th March 2024
Summer Term	15th April 2024 – 19th July 2024