



INFORM



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a short but busy half term it has been lovely to see so many parents and carers engaging in our celebration of work events this week. Please remember this takes place after school today for year 5 parents and carers in the school hall.

Tomorrow we say **goodbye to Mrs Bedford**, one of our Year 3 Teaching Assistants. We wish her well and thank her for her hard work for our school. After half term we will be welcoming Mrs Mooneeramsing to our school as a full time Teaching Assistant.

Today is the last day of this half term. Children then return to school after the half term break on Monday 26th February. A number of building and maintenance projects are taking place at school over the half term break. All of our Year 4 classrooms are being recarpeted and a new office space is being constructed in our reception area. **Our wonderful Friends' fundraising efforts are being spent on some exciting new outdoor projects. Watch this space for an update after half term!**

Please remember that on the first day back, the following clubs begin: tag rugby, sewing, making board games and playing board games. Collection for these clubs is at 4:25pm from the main entrance. Choir also starts on Thursday that week.

World Book Day for this year is on Thursday 7th March 2024. Please see the **attached flyer** for more information about what we have planned for this day at EVS.

Thank you for your continuous support. Wishing everyone a relaxing half term break!

Mrs White

Executive Headteacher



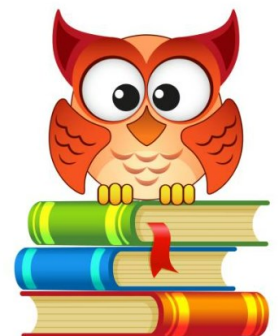
Yesterday some of the Junior Park Rangers went to Middleton Wood Meadow and built a massive bug bank with The Parks Trust. We used logs, soil, grass and wood chips to build a habitat for a variety of creatures including: worms, beetles, caterpillars, woodlice and butterflies. It was really muddy and fun!

By Aria, Bethel and Lola

Reading Workshop for Parents

After half term, Mrs Faulkner, our Reading leader, will be holding **workshops for Parents and Carers focusing on Reading**. For years 3 and 4, this is on Monday 26th February and for years 5 and 6 this is on Monday 4th March. Both sessions will take place in the hall and will run from 3:30-4:15pm.

The session will focus on how children learn to read, how we use this to teaching Reading at EVS, and how Parents and Carers can help children with their reading at home. If you are able to attend, please collect your child as normal and then enter the school hall via the side doors at the back of the school.



GOLD AWARDS



Year 3: Lillie 3JT, Jasmine 3EM, Diya 3JP, Jordan 3JR

Year 4: Salaar 4CM, Saanvi & Megan 4PH, Evelyn 4NB, Bella 4BM

Year 5: Oliver 5AR, Lilli 5LF, Esmie 5LS, Alfie & Rishi 5KH

Year 6: James 6RR, Huw 6DC, Andrei 6AM, Angelica 6GB

PE awards: Ethan 3JT, Riley 3JR

Music Awards: Alanna 6DC, Savannah 4BM



Merevalley Federation: Spring term 2024



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

15th February 2024	Random Acts of Kindness Day Year 5 celebration of work at 3:25pm
16th February 2024	INSET day. School closed to pupils.
19th—23rd February 2024	Half term break
26th February 2024	Year 3 and Year 4 Reading workshop 3:30-4:15pm
27th February 2024	EYFS celebration of work afternoon 1:30pm
4th —8th March 2024	Year 6 Mock SATS week
4th March 2024	Year 5 and Year 6 Reading workshop 3:30-4:15pm
6th March 2024	Karin Littlewood author visit to Merebrook . Book signing in the hall at 3:10pm. Friends of EVS Mother's Day shop
7th March 2024	World Book Day Second hand book sale in the Merebrook Hall at 3:10pm
11th—15th March 2024	Science Week
15th March 2024	Non-uniform day in aid of Comic Relief
21st March 2024	Friends of EVS Discos after school
26th March 2024	Parents' consultations 3:30-6:00pm
27th March 2024	Parents' consultations 4:00-7:00pm
28th March 2024	Last day of Spring term
15th April 2024	Children return to school following Easter break

TERM DATES 2023-2024

Spring Term	8th January 2024 – 28th March 2024
Summer Term	15th April 2024– 19th July 2024