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INFORM



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am glad that the weather has improved as the week has gone on. At the start of the week, we were not always able to get children outside at break and lunchtimes due to the weather. This is such an important part of the

school day, and where possible they will be outside at these times. Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat in school every day so that this is possible.

On Thursday 10th October we are supporting World Mental Day across the Federation. On this day, we invite all pupils and staff to wear yellow to show support for young people's mental health. In school we will be learning about the importance of creating conversations, encouraging togetherness and increasing awareness of Mental Health through activities in the day. Children can wear something yellow with their normal school uniform, or wear a completely yellow outfit if they wish! If your child has PE on this day, their outfit will need to be suitable for PE and should include trainers.

Unfortunately, we have had reports from our neighbours of parents and carers parking inconsiderably across drives. This makes access to nearby properties very difficult, and also very unsafe. Please can I ask all members of our school community to be considerate, and take note of our value of the month: Responsibility! Please take responsibility for your actions and leave plenty of time to park safely and legally when collecting your child. Your cooperation with this matter is much appreciated to ensure the safety of your own and other people's

children.

Unbelievably, we only have 3 weeks left of this half term. If you are already thinking ahead to the half term break, you might be interested in a fast track swimming course that is being held at Leon Leisure Centre. This is suitable for 4-15 year olds. See page 3 of this newsletter for more information.

Now we know it's probably too early to even mention the C word, however, the Mayor of Milton Keynes is running a Christmas card competition this year for all children in Primary Schools. We need you to help design the most festive card. See the attached poster with the rules, deadline and template to use. Good Luck!

And finally, our Learning Mentors and the Friends of EVS are working on their fundraising ideas for this year and need your help! Do you work for a company that could maybe help support us with raffle prizes? We are looking for prizes that are going to WOW people! Perhaps you work at a farm, maybe you work in a retail store, or you could just have an amazing prize to offer. If this is something you could help with, please get in touch with the learning mentors using their email address: learningmentors@emersonvalley.org.uk.

Have a relaxing weekend, Mrs White

Executive Headteacher

Our new SCHOOL COUNCIL representatives, as voted by their classmates, are:

Year 3:Diana 3JT, David 3EM, Amara 3JP, Ivan 3JR

Year 4: Charles 4CM, Veronica 4GB, Effie 4LS, Aarvi

4BM

Year 5: Deri 5AR, Andre 5BF, Izza 5KH, Aliya 5NB

Year 6: Oliwia 6LF, Daniel 6DC, Erin 6DT, Emma 6AM



GOLD AWARDS

Year 3: Coco 3JT, Cruz 3JP, Carla 3JR, Duchess 3EM

Year 4: Rex & Isla-Rose 4CM, Effie 4LS, Zack 4GB, Amelia 4BM

Year 5: Melissa 5AR, Lily 5BF, Mia Z 5NB, Bella 5KH

Year 6: Nieve 6LF, Sara & Preet 6AM, Olina 6DC, Shreeya 6DT

PE awards: Matilda 3JR, Ryan 4BM, Esme 5KH, Roman 6AM





Emerson Valley Junior School

If you are a social media user, you may want to follow our school Facebook page. Search for 'Emerson Valley Junior School' (with the school logo). This is an extra communication platform for the school where we are able to share photos and videos of events in school.

NO NUTS PLEASE!

Please remember that we are a NUT FREE SCHOOL. We have some children with severe nut allergies in school. Children therefore cannot have any items in their packed lunch that contain

nuts. THIS
INCLUDES
CHOCOLATE
SPREAD. Please
help us to keep our
school community
safe by adhering to
this rule.



MEREVALLEY FEDERATION Merebrook

OPEN MORNING FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS AND CARERS

3rd October 2024 9:30am at Merebrook School and 10:15am at Emerson Valley School



6th November 2024 9:30am at Merebrook School and 10:15am at Emerson Valley School

Is your child due to start school in Reception or are they moving into Year 3 in September 2025?

We are two schools with one shared vision. We welcome parents to visit our schools, meet our Senior Leaders and see our fantastic school sites.

We encourage you to visit both schools to see all of our Primary provision.

Our Executive Headteacher will walk with you from Merebrook to

Emerson Valley if you would like to visit both schools.

Please make a call to one of our school offices if you would like to book a space on either day.

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COMMUNITY, PRIDE, ASPIRE.







Monday 28th October-Friday 1st

November

9.30-12.00

Enquire at the reception or via email for specific stage timings!

5 x 30 minute lessons for £27.50!



- Great introduction for new swimmers
- Improve stroke weaknesses with less time between lessons to forget

Contact us 01908 624725

swimbookings@shlacademy.org

For swimmers stage 1-5
4-15 years

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Merevalley Federation: Autumn Term 2024



These dates are for both Merebrook and Emerson Valley

unless otherwise indicated	NEW EVENTS IN DED

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9th October 2024	Merebrook Year 1 Phonics and Reading workshop at 8:50am. Parents and carers invited.		
10th October 2024	World Mental Health day —wear something yellow		
15th October 2024	Year 4 Roman Day.		
16th October 2024	School Council Cake sale in aid of Macmillan. EVS Hall at 3:30pm		
21st October 2024	Parents' consultations. 3:30-6:00pm		
22nd October 2024	Parents' consultations. 4:00-7:00pm		
23rd October 2024	Year 5 Space Dome.		
24th October 2024	Winning house prize day.		
25th October 2024	Emerson Valley school photographs		
6th November 2024	Prospective parent tours at Merebrook and Emerson Valley for September 2025. Please book a place with our school office.		
12th November 2024	Odd socks day		
	Flu vaccinations for children at Emerson Valley		
13th November 2024	Merebrook school photographs		
15th November 2024	Non uniform day for Children in Need		
18th November 2024	Movie night for Year 3 until 5pm		
21st November 2024	Movie night for Year 4 until 5pm		
25th November 2024	Movie night for Year 5 until 5pm		
27th November 2024	Year 3 Stone Age workshop (in school)		
28th November 2024	Movie night for Year 6 until 5pm		
29th November 2024	Merebrook flu vaccinations		
2nd December 2024	Year 4 celebration of work at 2:30pm. Parents and carers invited.		
3rd December 2024	Year 5 celebration of work at 2:30pm. Parents and carers invited.		
4th December 2024	Christmas dinner day Year 6 celebration of work at 2:30pm. Parents and carers invited.		
10th December 2024	Year 3 Nativity at 2pm.		
11th December 2024	Year 3 Nativity at 2pm.		
17th December 2024	Christmas shop day.		
18th December 2024	Visiting Pantomime to school (EYFS, Yr 1, Yr 2 and Yr 3 morning, Yrs 4-6 pm)		
19th December 2024	Winning house prize day.		
20th December 2024	Last day of the autumn term.		

TERM DATES 2024-2025	
Autumn Term	5th September 2024 – 20th December 2024
Spring Term	7th January 2025 – 4th April 2025
Summer Term	22nd April 2025– 23rd July 2025