



INFORM



www.emersonvalley.org.uk

parents@emersonvalley.org.uk

(01908) 507914

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we were all surprised by the snow that fell very quickly on Tuesday morning. **In the event of inclement weather, we will always update our Facebook page, so please look here first.** School will only be closed if it unsafe for children to be on school site, or in the unlikely event that sufficient staff are unable to travel safely to school. Closing the school will always be our last resort. **In the case of school closure, our Facebook page will be updated and a parentmail to all families will be sent to inform you of this decision.** Our official school Facebook page is the one for 'Emerson Valley Junior School' with the school logo. As well as important announcements and reminders, we also regularly add photos about things that are happening in school. This week, you can see a photo of our visitors from the MK Breakers, who led an assembly on Tuesday, a copy of the letter we received from the Mayor of MK thanking our School Council for the Remembrance wreath, and our weekly 'Wake Up Wednesday' post. Please 'like' the page to see our updates.

On Monday and Thursday, we held two very successful **film nights** for Years 3 and 4. **Next week, the Year 5 movies take place after school on Monday, and for Year 6 on Thursday.** Please remember that pick up for these events is at 5pm from the main school reception.

As we are already heading towards the end of December, this year, **our Merevalley staff have donated a range of fantastic prizes for a community Christmas raffle.** Several food & drink hampers have been made up of indulgent treats. All proceeds raised will go towards school resources. Please see the attached flyer for more information. If you would like to buy raffle tickets, Miss Roche and Miss Bennett will be selling these on the front and back school gates on Wednesday mornings. Tickets will also be available to sell at our Year 3 Nativity performances and our Year 4, 5 and 6 celebration of work events. Alternatively, you can send money in a named envelope to our school office to purchase them. Look out for photographs of the hampers on Facebook in the coming week.

Nobody has a relaxing weekend at this time of year, but hopefully it's a good one!

Mrs White



Last Friday our non-uniform day for **Children in Need raised £342.55** for this worthwhile charity. Well done to our Emerson Valley community for their efforts!



We are in the final stages of joining the 5 Dimensions Trust. **Academisation will formally happen for both Merebrook and Emerson Valley on 1st December.** Initially, you won't notice any changes but as we move into the spring term and beyond, some of our systems will change to align with those used at the Secondary Schools in the Trust. Hopefully this will make things easier for families with children in more than one school within the Trust. Beyond this, our teaching, office and site teams are looking forward to working more closely with our 5D colleagues in the coming weeks and terms.

GOLD AWARDS

Year 3: Clayton 3JT, Rory 3JP, Amaya 3JR, Bree 3EM

Year 4: Dexter 4CM, Anaya 4LS, Sergei 4GB, Vladimir 4BM

Year 5: Maddie 5AR, Robert 5BF, Aliya 5NB, Salaar 5KH

Year 6: Marcus 6LF, Zain 6AM, Daniel 6DC, Theo 6DT

PE awards: Caspian 3EM, Sofia A 4BM, Bori 5NB, Adam 6DC

Music Awards: Joshua 3JP, Anson 4BM, Charlie 5AR, Adam 6DC





Mayor of MK Christmas Card Competition

You may recall that earlier in the term we invited children to design a Christmas card for the Mayor of Milton Keynes, Councillor Marie Bradburn. I am delighted to announce to you that Rex in 4CM came 2nd in this competition with his fantastic design, which you can see above. **Well done Rex!**



Merevalley Federation: Autumn Term 2024



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

25th November 2024	Movie night for Year 5 until 5pm
26th 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 3:25pm. Parents and carers invited. Prospective parent tours at Merebrook and Emerson Valley for September 2025. Please book a place with our school office.
3rd December 2024	Year 5 celebration of work at 3:25pm. Parents and carers invited.
4th December 2024	Christmas dinner day Year 6 celebration of work at 3:25pm. Parents and carers invited. CHoMS film night after school at Merebrook
10th December 2024	Year 3 Nativity at 2pm. Parents and Carers of 3JR and 3EM only.
11th December 2024	Year 3 Nativity at 2pm. Parents and Carers of 3JP and 3JT only.
12th December 2024	Christmas Jumper Day
17th December 2024	Christmas shop day. EYFS Christmas Performance at 9:15am Key Stage 1 Carols at 2:15pm
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. Merebrook winter disco
20th December 2024	Last day of the autumn term.