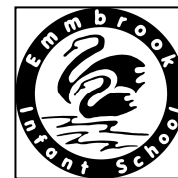


October's
Core Value -
Resilience

EMMBROOK INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year and especially to our new Cygnets and their families. We hope you will enjoy your time with us at Emmbrook Infant School and we look forward to getting to know you all.

All the children have settled back in nicely and the school is a calm and purposeful place to be!

We held two very successful Meet the Teacher sessions at the beginning of term for Years 1 and 2. Both sessions were exceptionally well attended so thank you for taking the time to come and find out about what your child will be doing and learning this term. Our Foundation team also held a successful evening where they talked to parents about how we teach reading at school.

We have a lot of enrichment activities planned for the children this term and you will read all about them in later newsletters. We have already celebrated Roald Dahl Day on 13th September where the children heard some Roald Dahl tales!

This month we focused a lot of our assemblies and PSHE around our Core value of Respect. In October we will be developing our core value of Resilience –'I will keep trying when I find things difficult in my work and play.' Do talk about this with your child at home.

On Monday the NSPCC will be delivering an assembly on keeping safe and the Pants Rule to all our children. They will return again later in the term to do another assembly and we will in return, hold a non-uniform day to support this very worthwhile charity– details to follow.

You will have noticed that there is a new holding pen inside the green gates. This was installed for health and safety reasons, to ensure nobody comes to any harm whilst waiting to come into school in the morning. Capital funds were used to pay for this, not PTA funds or the school's delegated budget.

The new wrap around care run by Fantastics is proving to be very popular and I just wanted to make you aware that you can book places on-line and on an ad-hoc basis, to suit your needs. Their contact details are:

As the cold weather approaches, can you please make sure your child has a named coat in school.

As always, we like to have an open-door policy so that you can come into school whenever you have any concerns or questions. However, staff are generally not available first thing in the morning so please either make an appointment or pop in and see the office.

I look forward to watching the children grow and flourish this term.

Corrina Gillard

Welcome!

Staffing News.....

We would like to welcome the following staff to Emmbrook Infant School—

- Mrs Ruth Holland has joined our teaching team . Mrs Holland is a HI Teacher and will be working in our Hearing Impaired Resource. She brings a wealth of experience with her and she will also be working in the Junior school.
- Mrs Jo Godwin and Mrs Michelle McKie-Small both join us as Learning Support Assistants. Both Mrs Godwin and Mrs McKie-Small will be working within our Hearing Impaired resource.
- Mrs Jackie Khan and Mrs Jo Tandy have both joined us at Teaching Assistants. Mrs Tandy will be based in Foundation and Mrs Khan in Year 1.
- Mrs Sally Briggs joins us as a Lunch Time Controller. Mrs Briggs will be assisting in the playground and also looking after our Green Cygnets during afternoon registration.

I hope you will join us in wishing our new staff a warm welcome!

Parking

Dropping off and parking near school is an on-going issue for many schools. However, our priority must be the health and safety of the children and as such I am asking you to park carefully and considerately .

Please do not park across driveways or in front of people's garages. Or on the grassy bank opposite the entrance to the school gates.

We have also been asked to request that you **do not park** in the Emmbrook Village Hall car park. And finally, please do not drop off, on or near, the zig-zags by the school entrance.

The community officers from Thames Valley Police have been asked to patrol the area before and after school.

Thank you.





**Lucky Winners of
the PTA 100 club**

First..... 70

Second..... 47

Third..... 48



**If you wish to book
wraparound care with Funtastic kids,
this can be done either by email
bookings@funtastickids.co.uk, by
phone on 07715 643412 or by visiting
<http://funtastickids.co.uk>**

Coming up in October ...



Louis Taylor is coming into school with his road safety show!

Year 1 are looking forward to their Scooter Heroes training.
Good luck everyone!



The Year 1 cake sale will be held outside Reception after Swans' assembly on Thursday 11th October. Cakes will be sold for 40p each or 3 for £1.

uSports will be running a fun-packed dodgeball workshop for all the children during Healthy Week!



Perform are coming to run an exciting Circus workshop.

We will also be enjoying Clover and Buttercup and A-Life workshops during our Harvest Week.

As you can see we are keeping the children very busy!

School Uniform

Can I take this opportunity to remind you all about some of our uniform requirements. Please can you ensure your child has black shoes, not boots or trainers. We also request stud ear-rings (for health and safety reasons), no nail varnish and no hair adornments please— just a simple green or black hairband.

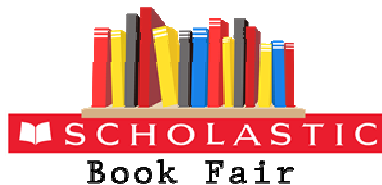
Thank you!



Reminder—We are a Nut Free School!

Please remember that we are a NUT FREE school and as such we ask that children are not sent to school with any items in their packed lunch boxes that may contain nuts.

Thank you



Following another successful Travelling Books fair, we can confirm that your purchases created **£81** worth of commission which we will be using to purchase new books for the children.

Thank you for your continued support!

CLASS ASSEMBLIES.....

Friday 5th October - Year 2 Kingfishers at 2:30pm

Thursday 11th October - Year 1 Swans at 2:30pm

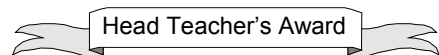
Friday 2nd November - Year 2 Woodpeckers at 2:30pm

Friday 9th November - Year 1 Robins at 2:30pm

Well done to the following children..



★ **Congratulations to those children presented with a Silver Swan this month....** ★



★ Alex Evans Amirah Hope Ivy Zheng Oliver Whitehouse
 ★ Bella Brannan Holly Spratt Jayden Carr Pola Debska
 ★ Ethan Bradley James Read Lacey Smith Rhys James
 ★ George Mason Lucy Phillips Lucas Siggins Summer Hughes
 ★ Harry Frost Luke Jones Lydia Grainger Thomas Frost
 ★ Imogen Payne Marcia Messer Maisie Flynn Tom Preston
 ★ Iris Saynor Martha Taylor Ollie Brown William Roberts

Izzy Hooker
 Adam Baily
 Amelia Thomson
 Charlotte Turner
 Florence Leddy
 Olivia Conquer



✓ **Congratulations to those children awarded a self-discipline leaf on our Core Values Tree..** ✓

✓ Bertie Butler Annabel Wilson
 ✓ Callum Clinch Ben Hope
 ✓ Diya Ark Camden Collins
 ✓ Edward Titcombe Charlie Sprackling
 ✓ Emma Oughton Charlotte Turner
 ✓ Farrah Blurton Chloe Dingley
 ✓ Freya Dunn Finley Holmes
 ✓ Harry Frost George Day
 ✓ Jamie Haynes Grace Garrett
 ✓ Lottie Harrison Harley Cummins
 ✓ Lucy Phillips Jessica Lambert
 ✓ Maisie Fletcher Joseph Dixon
 ✓ Oliver Millington Luke Peers
 ✓ Pola Debska Mia Varley
 ✓ Sullivan Winter William Demery

Photos on the Golden Rules Rainbow Board this month!



Adam Lowe	Bertie Butler
Bella Brannan	Daniel Benson
Charlie Riley	Deepika Beru
Grace Garrett	Isabella Jones
Harley Cummins	Lacey Hadwick
Imogen Norcutt	Lacey Smith
Kian Parker	Lil Smallman
Lizzy Hooker	Logan Carlisle
Marcia Messer	Rafe Godwin
Oliver Milligton	Sam O'Connor



Welcome to a new School Council

Red Cygnets - Iris Saynor and Jack Rogers

Green Cygnets - Joseph Dixon and Faye Clinch

Robins - Callum Clinch and Lacey Smith

Swans - Farrah Blurton and Harry Frost

Kingfishers - Poppy Pritchard and Alex Desai

Woodpeckers - Ellie Mitchell and Samuel O'Connor

We will have our first meeting next week to plan Children in Need, Harvest, selling poppies and Christmas Jumper day!

Diary Dates

October - Independence Month

1 st October	Wokingham newspaper photographer to take 'My First Day's class photos of Foundation children
2 nd October	Year 1 Swans' Scooter Heroes training
3 rd October	Year 1 Robins' Scooter Heroes training
5 th October	2.30pm – Kingfishers' Assembly
9 th October	Louis Taylor road safety show
10 th October	3.30pm – 6.00pm – Foundation Parents' Evening
11 th October	2.30pm – Swans' Assembly 3.20pm - Year1 Cake sale
15 th October	Clover and Buttercup workshop 3.30pm – 5.00pm – Foundation Parents' Evening
16 th October	A-Life workshop
18 th October	3.30pm – 5.00pm – Foundation Parents' Evening
19 th October	Harvest Assembly (children only)
22 nd October	Half Term
29 th October	Inset – School CLOSED
30 th October	Back to school AM – Perform Circus Workshop 9.10am – New Parents Tour
31 st October	Nasal Flu vaccination

November - Confidence Month

1 st November	3.20pm – Yr2 Cake Sale
2 nd November	2.30pm – Woodpeckers' Assembly
5 th November	PM – Year1 The Gruffalo workshop
6 th November	9.10am – New Parents Tour Diwali Dance workshop
9 th November	2.30pm – Robins' Assembly
15 th November	3.20pm – Foundation Cake Sale
16 th November	Children In Need—Children to wear spots to school!
20 th November	9.10am – New Parents Tour
21 st November	3.30pm – 6.00pm – Years 1&2 Parents' Evening
26 th November	Police assembly on Staying Safe
27 th November	9.10am – New Parents Tour 5.00pm – 7.30pm – Years 1&2 Parents' Evening

December - Patience Month

3 rd December	Years 1&2 Christmas production dress rehearsal
4 th December	Years 1&2 Christmas production (adults)
5 th December	Years 1&2 Christmas production (siblings)
10 th December	Foundation Christmas production dress rehearsal
11 th December	Foundation Christmas production (adults)
12 th December	Reindeer workshop School choir to sing at Village Hall
13 th December	Foundation Christmas production (siblings)
14 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
17 th December	Peter Pan pantomime
19 th December	2.00pm – Break up for Christmas

Term Dates 2018-2019

Autumn Term 2018

Staff In-Service Training Day

Monday 3rd September

Staff In-Service Training Day

Tuesday 4th September

Start of Pupil term (Year 1 & 2 Only)

Wednesday 5th September

Half Term

Monday 22nd –Friday 26th October

Staff In-Service Training Day

Monday 29th October

End of Pupil Term

Wednesday 19th December at 2pm

Spring Term 2019

Start of Pupil Term

Thursday 3rd January

Half Term

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd February

End of Pupil Term

Friday 5th April at 2pm

Summer Term 2019

Start of Pupil Term

Tuesday 23rd April

Bank Holiday Closure

Monday 6th May

Half Term

Monday 27th – Friday 31st May

End of Pupil Term

Friday 19th July at 2pm

Staff In-Service Training Day

Monday 22nd July

Staff In-Service Training Day

Tuesday 23rd July