



Emersons Green Primary School
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Scholastic Book Club Orders

Closing date for ordering books will be Wednesday 23rd September.

School Library Books

Are you looking everywhere?! We have received a few school books back, but we know there are some more out there! School books will have a school stamp and also are recognisable by a small bar code sticker, either inside or on the spine of the book.

Money!

We are thrilled to tell you that we have received Lottery Funding of £9,300 and £600.00 from the Merchant Venturers. This has been donated towards our funds for developing the outside play area. Our thanks to Mrs. Young who has worked hard to secure this extra funding.

Car Parking

Already we have had an incident of a car nearly hitting the school bus. Please remember that driving into the school grounds could cost a child's life. Parking and dropping off children further away from school and allowing the children to walk a short distance is a lot safer.

Good Behaviour Information Sheets

Each class will be bringing home their own class Good Behaviour Information Sheet to share with you at home. Please read the accompanying letter and return the reply slip to your class teacher, (not the office) Thanks.

Fire Drill

We surprised children and staff this week by carrying out a Fire Drill at lunchtime. Everyone did very well and the building was evacuated quickly and efficiently. It was a bit more time consuming gathering children who were on the field and playground at the muster points but the exercise proved to be useful.

Yellow Class

Lost in class this week, a sweatshirt which is named Charlie Wiltshire. We can only assume someone has worn the wrong one home! We do have two unclaimed sweatshirts in Yr.2. Please could you check the washing this week! Again a reminder to name children's clothes as it is very difficult to return un-named uniform.t.



Harvest

We are preparing for Harvest Festival early again this year. We plan to hold our service on the afternoon of Tuesday 20th October at 2.00 pm. Following the success of our harvest festival last year with the theme of helping the children understand that food doesn't just come from supermarkets we would like to do something similar this year. This is where you can be involved, so yet again we have a big favour to ask.

We would like the children to be involved in making a food item for Harvest. Ideally it would be better if it was a preserve or a pickle such as a jar of jam, chutney or perhaps a jar of pickled onions or cabbage which has a long shelf life. The children will then bring their offering into the hall as part of the service and at the end we will have a sale of all the lovely goodies. The money raised will go to CASE - our adopted charity in South Africa which funds counsellors for children who have lost their parents.

Here are a few suggestions that you could make with your children

- a jar of:
 - jam (there are some lovely blackberries growing in the hedgerow around school)
 - chutney
 - pickles- cabbage, onions, beetroot etc
- a loaf of bread (the bread maker can come in useful here)
- cake, tarts, etc
- pizza
- soup

We will also make some things in school to add to the collection. Last year the children made some fantastic jam from the blackberries on the school field and bread- a great combination. If you have a really busy life and the thought fills you with dread we would be happy to receive a jar of something that you have bought.

PTFA Events

The PTFA will be holding a barbeque and treasure hunt on the 26th September, weather permitting. Everyone is welcome to come along to school and join in. This is a nice opportunity to get together with friends and make some new ones.

The Treasure Hunt starts at 2.00pm and takes approximately an hour to complete, returning to school the Barbbque and drinks. The Treasure Hunt costs £1.00 and there will be a prize for the winners!

Christmas Fair - CHANGE OF DATE!

Please note that the date of the fair will now be Friday 4th December from 5.30 - 8.00pm - so put the date in your diaries! Victoria Burchill (Ella Yr.1 and Rose Yr.3) and Julia Dunn (Jolie Yr.3 and Curtis, Red Class) are both organising the fair and hope to make it a truly Christmassy, family friendly event.

We will need lots of help before, during and after the fair if it is to be a success, so if you think that you can spare some time (no matter how little) to help, please catch us in the playground anytime. Alternatively call Vic on 0117 9109942 or 07941 865850.