

OUR MIGHTY LEARNERS

Over recent weeks I have had the pleasure and honour of visiting all classes, multiple times, to share in their lessons. I have been hugely impressed by children's behaviour and attitude towards learning.

This week...

Reception—Not only have the children come together as a whole class and stayed for lunch for the first time, but they have also started formal phonics learning and been voting for their end of session story each day.

Year 1— Have been impressing Miss Walker with their writing skills as they explore the book 'Giraffes Can't Dance'.

Year 2 – Have been writing their own stories based on the book 'I Want My Hat Back'; their vocabulary choices were adventurous and their use of punctuation was impressive.

Year 3— Have been building shelters, discovering plants and exploring mountains around the world.

Year 4— Have been in role as scientists/dentists, exploring teeth and the role each type plays when eating.

Year 5— Have been putting their scientific knowledge to the test, building electric circuits and testing out the conductivity of different materials.

Year 6— Have been honing their addition and subtraction skills using numbers of all different sizes — missing number, mental, column and balancing calculations.

ATTENDANCE

Regular school attendance is essential for children to not only make progress both academically and socially but also to feel settled, safe and secure.

The DfE publication 'Working Together to Improve School Attendance' May 2022 notes that "pupils with the highest attainment at the end of key stage 2 have higher rates of attendance over the key stage compared to those with the lowest attainment.."

It is important that any absence is recorded correctly on Arbor, therefore we ask that parents email the school office with information of planned absence for medical appointments etc and/or call the school office to report sickness. Taking a holiday during term time will compromise good attendance and will not be authorised and may result in a fine.

We recognise that some pupils may find it harder to attend school than others however, it is a parents legal responsibility to get their child to school. If your child is experiencing difficulties, please speak to their class teacher in the first instance or Mrs Morson, our SENCO, so we can all work together to build trusting relationships and ensure support is in place.

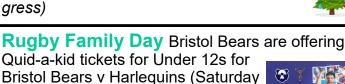
Due to the importance of good attendance, we will be monitoring every child closely across the year. As part of this we will be texting a termly update on your child/ren's attendance percentage, holding formal school attendance meetings for those children considered to be "persistently absence" as defined by the DfE and insisting upon good punctuality (the gate will close at 8.50am). Please remember you can check your child's attendance percentage at any point using the Arbor app. Our school attendance policy, should you want further information, can be found on our website.

PTFA Our wonderful PTA is busy organising autumnal events:

- First day of school flowers
- * Treasure hunt
- Halloween discos

The PTFA also has a sub-committee

(Mrs Richards, Mrs Cridge, Mrs James, Mrs Croucher) who are organising a Christmas Market. Plans are well underway and they would like to welcome new members to support with further planning/final arrangements/set up/on the day support. If you want to lend a hand or just find out more about what help is needed please drop Mrs Richards an email or just come along to their next planning meeting at school at 3.30pm on 5.10.23 (school will put a film on for children whilst the meeting is in pro-





28 October 2023).



Well done to everyone who has logged into TTRS and Numbtoz this week and completed their required minutes. 'Embracing Practice and Effort' is

a fundamental component of our school mission; it is essential children see the role this plays in their journey to a mighty future. TTRS and Numbotz supports this mission.

Well done Yr6 our first 100% completion of required minutes.

Year Group	Number completing weekly sessions
Year R	NA
Year 1	21
Year 2	13
Year 3	25
Year 4	26
Year 5	21
Year 6	30

Harvest Celebrations

Our annual Harvest Celebrations will take place on Tuesday 17th October.

EYFS & KS1-9.15

KS2—10.30

As always we would welcome your kind donations for the food bank at the Resound Centre. Please start leaving

them on the table in the entrance porch from Monday 16th. Items will be collected from us on Friday 20th October.



Cycle to school week

The Golden Lock continues next week, we have already seen an increase in people cycling and scooting to school.

Why not make Cycle to School Week the week you get on your wheels and maybe get lucky with the lock!

Diary dates

Week 4: Cycle to School Week Tuesday 26th—Y3 EG Library 10.10am Thursday 28th—Y4 EG Library 10.10am Friday 29th—PTFA Treasure Hunt

Week 5

Tuesday 3rd October—Open Day 2024 Reception 9.30am-10.30am Tuesday 3rd—Y5 Camp Meeting after school Thursday 5th—PTFA Meeting 6.00pm

Quick announcements:

- Rags2Riches will be collecting bags of clean clothes (not uniform) on 9th October
- Please remember to park responsibly outside the school and only use the car park if you have permission.

FORGING MIGHTY FUTURES

These children have demonstrated their mightiness across every aspect of their week, focusing especially on our value RESPECT.

We are incredibly proud of them all.

Red Class
Orange Class
Yellow Class
Green Class
Blue Class
Indigo Class
Violet Class

Induction Period Hannah Dillan Aaliah Lois Toby Ruby



Emersons Green Primary



Treasure Hunt Friday 29th September 3.15pm

Please come and celebrate Red class's first full week of school with an Emersons Green Primary Treasure Hunt. There will be a treasure hunt around the outside of the school along with a cake sale to welcome Red class. If you are able to donate a cake please bring shop bought cakes (no nuts please) to the school foyer on Thursday or Friday morning. We will be selling treasure hunt clue sheets and cakes underneath the canopy near year 1 classroom.

Cauliflower Christmas Cards

It's that time of year again where your child will soon be bringing home their Christmas Card. If you wish to order your cards please head over to www.cauliflowercards.co.uk with the code on the artwork and chose from a range of cards, wrap and small gifts. You will need to return your child's artwork to school by Friday 13th October so it can be sent off for printing. These items will be delivered to



school around the beginning of December. If you have pre-school siblings you can ask the office for an extra form and create a card at home, order in the same way and drop artwork to school office.

Sweet Sale Friday 20th October

We will be selling sweets to celebrate the end of term on Friday 20th October. Please bring your pennies, we look forward to celebrating the end of the first term back with you!

Halloween Disco Monday 30th October

We will be hosting a KS1 3.45 – 4.45 and KS2 5-6pm Halloween Disco on Monday 30th October. Disco is provided by Carpe Diem Entertainments. Fancy dress is optional, party shoes are a must! Tickets will be on sale during the last week of term, information to follow.

MyNameTags

If you're looking for MyNameTags and help raise funds for the school with every purchase. You can use this site to purchase labels for clothes and accessories, and simply enter our school ID 59636, and we will receive a small percentage of every sale!



Future Events

Christmas Market Friday 1st December

Our meetings

Thursday 5th October, 6pm @EGPS