

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

October is a very special month because it's Black History Month! Black History Month 2023 is

a momentous occasion to recognise and celebrate the invaluable contributions of black people to British society.

Black people have always been at the forefront of social justice movements, fighting against oppression and paving the way for change. However, despite their countless contributions to society, the achievements of black women, in particular, have too often been overlooked or forgotten. That is why, this year, we will be celebrating the exceptional achievements of black women. The theme of 'Saluting our



Sisters' highlights the crucial role that black women have played in shaping history, inspiring change, and building communities. This year's celebration will showcase pioneering black women who have made remarkable contributions to literature, music, fashion, sport, business, politics, academia, social and health care, and more.

Learning about Black History

In our classrooms, teachers will be sharing stories and lessons about important figures. The children will learn about inspiring figures like Mary Seacole, Dr Nike Folayan, Michelle Obama, Nicola Adams, Betty Campbell and many more. The children will learn about courage, determination, and how they helped to change the world for the better.

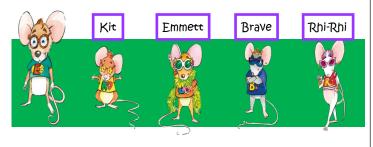
Reading and Books

Our school library will have a special display of books by and about black authors and historical figures. Reading these books can be a fun and educational way to celebrate Black History Month.

At the end of the month, the learning about Black History Month will be celebrated and shared with you via the school newsletter.

Our Band of Merry Mice

You may have heard about our recent infestation. We now have a band of merry mice residing in our school skirting boards, each one being well versed in a different value and coming together to support our beloved Emerson Mouse to forge his own mighty future.



Bling Your Bike

We will be holding a "Bling your Bike/Scooter/Shoes" day on



Thursday 19th October to help encourage even more children to travel actively to school. This is a chance for you to be creative and "dress up" your bike, scooter or a pair of shoes at home.

You can use glitter, stickers, card, basically anything you like, to make the bike look as good as possible. Please make sure nothing is trailing in the spokes, wheels or on the ground as the bike or scooter still needs to be stable and rideable. Don't forget to decorate your helmet too! There will be a prize for the best decorated bike/scooter/shoes.

Christmas Dates

We know you like to know in advance so that time off work can be arranged. Dates we have already booked in:



Christmas Markets — 1.12.23 @ 6pm-9pm Reception & KS1 Nativity —5.12.23 @9.30am and 6.12.23 @13.45

Mulled wine and carols — 11.12.23 @ 3.30pm Christmas jumper day—08.12.23

Halloween Disco

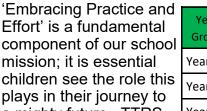
Tickets can be purchased via ParentPay for £3.50. EYFS & KS1 3.45pm-4.45pm and KS2 5pm-6pm. Fancy dress is optional, party shoes are a must!



Remembrance Service—Our talented Year 6 pupils will host our annual service of remembrance on 10.11.23 at 9.15am.

We would like to invite service families from across the school and all Yr6 families to join us in school to give thanks and remember the sacrifices our service men, women and families make for the safety, security and rights of us all.





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 and is securing strong mental maths skills.

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Year Group	Number completing weekly sessions
Year R	N/A
Year 1	17
Year 2	11
Year 3	21
Year 4	24
Year 5	22
Year 6	30

Harvest Celebrations

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



EYFS & KS1-9.15am KS2-10.30am

If you are available to support our PTFA with tea and coffee serving on this day please drop us an email to admin@egps.org.uk and we will pass your details along. Thank you for your continued support.

PTFA thanks

Thank you to all the families that took part in our annual scavenger hunt last week. The PTFA raised well over £100 and Mrs Rich-

ards found out things about our school site she did not know!

Did you know the PTFA have a Facebook site? The page will give you information on events and how you can get involved.



Diary dates

Week 6

Monday 9th —Rags2Riches collection **by 9am** Monday 9th —Y6 Camp Meeting 3.30pm Tuesday 10th —Parents Evening Thursday 12th —Parents Evening

Week 7

Tuesday 17th—Harvest Celebrations Wednesday 18th—Y5 Bikeability Thursday 19th—Y5 Bikeablity Thursday 19th—Bling your Bike/Scooter/Shoe Friday 20th—Last day of term

Quick announcements:

- It's not too late to book your parents evening appointments via the Arbor app or website. Any difficulties, please contact the school office.
- Contact data sheets coming home tonight

FORGING MIGHTY FUTURES

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

We are incredibly proud of them all.

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

Nathaniel Layla Savannah William Matilda Serenity

Gilmour



Emersons Green Primary



Treasure Hunt

A huge thank you to all the families who supported our treasure hunt. Final total is being calculated but it looks like we made nearly £100! That's a huge amount of money for a small scale event so thank you very much.

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 an EYFS & 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 after school or available on ParentPay. Tickets are £3.50 per child. This year we are running a tuck shop so children can choose to some sweets, a drink or a disco accessory. These will be available from outside before your child enters the disco. There will be a small charge for these optional items.

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. If you would like to help out at please sign up on our Facebook page or email christmas-markets@egps.org.uk

Our meetings

Social Tuesday 28th November, 8pm @ The Langley Arms. AGM Tuesday 9th January, 8pm @ EGPS

PTFA Facebook Page

We use our page to share our events and organise volunteers. Please join us by scanning the QR code.



Christmas Market 1st December 6pm-9pm

We would love you to join us for a night of festive family fun including,

- Local Artisan stalls
- Festive food and drinks
 Santa's Grotto
- Elf workshop craft room
- Baffle

Please could we have donations given to the school office by November 15th

- Any bottles for tombola
- Old Christmas jumpers for a second hand Christmas jumper stall

