



MIGHTY EGPS SHINES AT LEAF REVIEW

On Wednesday this week we were visited by Mrs Kitchen, Director of Education for The Leaf Trust, and Mr Vaughan, an experienced school leader and inspector.

The team spent time talking with leaders about safeguarding, the new school vision and values, our reading strategy and our curriculum offer. They went on to spend time in classrooms sharing learning experiences with children, listening to individuals read, talking with children about the behaviour and feelings of safety in our school, and spent time in the playground soaking up the inclusive nature of our wonderful school.

Whilst there are things we continue to develop, there were a great many points of celebration throughout the day:

- ♦ They saw consistency in application of strategies to support effective teaching and learning: strategies we developed last year such as active participation, quizzing of prior learning, sequencing of learning.
- ♦ Children were able to talk about our school values of Kindness, Bravery, Respect and Empathy and the team saw these being lived by all throughout the day.
- ♦ Leaders are ambitious and determined in their pursuit of excellence for the school and the community which it serves.
- ♦ Children spoke confidently about feeling safe and know that there are adults in school that will help them if they need it.
- ♦ The value and passion the school community has for reading both for academic gain and pleasure is evident across the school and, when taken on a reading tour, the Yr6 children explained that "reading is highly valued at EGPS".
- ♦ Our whole school curriculum has purpose and ambition for all learners and teachers use the well-sequenced 'core knowledge' to deliver lessons that enable children to gain knowledge.

It was a supportive and positive day for team EGPS and left us clear in the knowledge that what we have identified as our next steps in the School Development Plan are absolutely correct.

Mission Leaders

A Mission Leader is someone who represents their class. The Mission Leaders will give every child a voice about what changes we can implement to make Emersons Green Primary even better. During the first meeting we will decide on our mission for the year. There will be two mission leaders from each class:

- One Mission Leader will be voted in by their class
- One Mission Leader will be voted in by the adults

To be considered please...

Prepare an election speech that is no more than a minute long.



KS1

My name is... vote for me because...
Tell everyone about your ideas.

KS2

Introduce yourself
Why you would want to be a Mission Leader
What ideas do you have to improve Emersons?

You may also like to prepare a poster that we can display around school.

Whole school voting will take place on Friday 20th October.

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



Clubs

Clubs on offer in Term 2 include:
 KS2 choir, Chess, Fitness, Drawing, Netball, Board games/Lego, Craft and Singing.
 Please complete the Google form <https://forms.gle/euNWSWMKQFZupnc79> before the 18th October to request a place for your child to attend. An email will be sent to confirm spaces.

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!



Autumn Gathering

Emersons Green Town Council are hosting an Autumn gathering on Sunday 22nd October between 2pm and 4.30pm.
 More information can be found at <https://emersonsgreen-tc.gov.uk/upcoming-event/autumn-gathering/>

Parents Evening

Thank you to those of you who attended parents evening this week. We hope it proved informative and enables you to further support your child at home.

If you did not manage to attend please email the school office and we will do our best to accommodate a different appointment.

Diary dates

Week 7

Tuesday 17th—Harvest EYFS & KS1 9.15am
 Tuesday 17th—Harvest KS2 10.30am
 Wednesday 18th—Y5 Bikeability
 Thursday 19th—Y5 Bikeability
 Thursday 19th—Bling your Bike/Scooter/Shoe
 Friday 20th—Last day of term

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Week 1

Monday 30th October—First day of term
 Monday 30th October—Halloween Disco
 Wednesday 1st November—Individual Photos

Quick announcements:

- ◆ Contact data sheets need to be returned to the office. We need 100% return.
- ◆ Last chance to return Christmas Card artwork, Monday 16th October.
- ◆ Photo Consents 2023 —please give consent on Arbor for photos to be taken.



'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 and is securing strong mental maths skills.

Year Group	Number completing weekly sessions
Year R	N/A
Year 1	27
Year 2	21
Year 3	29
Year 4	24
Year 5	24
Year 6	30

FORGING MIGHTY FUTURES

We firmly believe that everyone has the potential to be MIGHTY. Emerson mouse believes that though he is but small he has the might of a LION inside.

All these children have shown their inner lion this week.

Red Class Moyo
 Orange Ellis
 Yellow Class Elliot
 Green Class Olivia R
 Blue Class Chloe
 Indigo Class Esme
 Violet Class Albie

