

# Eversley Primary School

'Be the best you can be'



Issue 2

14<sup>th</sup> January 2019

## Newsletter

Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back to school, published here are our diary dates for this term. Any changes or additions are kept updated on our website. [www.eversley.essex.sch.uk](http://www.eversley.essex.sch.uk)

As the term progresses look out for our Early Bird catching punctual pupils. Punctuality is a valuable lifelong skill. In school, later arrival affects not only the pupil who is late, but disrupts the whole class. We are committed to improving regular attendance and punctuality as part of the Essex schools overall strategy. Further information on this is available at [www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools](http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools)

A big thank you to everyone who supported out charity work last term. We have been really pleased to make donations to Children in Need, Jeans for Genes, Macmillan Cancer Support and Save the Children. Our Christmas collections have been donated to support Children's Services at Basildon Hospital. Your generosity is appreciated.

Sadly, our play equipment in the junior playground became worse for wear. We are in the process of developing the space with some exciting new features – hopefully ready for the warmer weather.

If you have any queries or questions, please get in touch, we are always happy to help.

Mrs P Pepper  
Headteacher

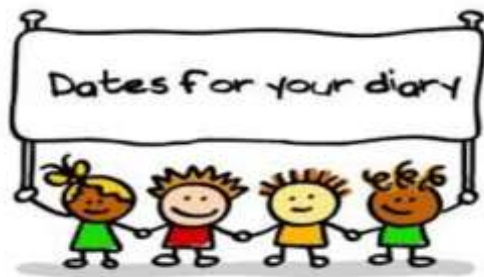
### **Fun Time Friday**

As part of our updated Behaviour Management Strategy, Fun Time Friday has replaced Golden Time. This is an exciting new initiative. It is based on positive reinforcement with the aim of offering pupils a much wider range of activities to select from. Children are no longer dependant on their House Group for choices and can decide for themselves. They will change activities every half-term and during the year all pupils will take part in their first choice activity at least once. It is possible that someone could lose some Fun Time Friday time if they have not followed school rules during the week. In this situation children will be offered some structured reflection time.

It is early days and new ways of working can sometimes take a while to settle in. However it was a great start with many children really making the most of the Fun Time they were having.

### **Fun Time Friday**





15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cross Country
18 <sup>th</sup>	Cross Country
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Yr 6 SATs meeting 6pm
1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	02 Choir Trip
5 <sup>th</sup>	Safer Internet Day Chinese New Year
6 <sup>th</sup>	Sign to Sing
14 <sup>th</sup>	Careers Day
18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>Half Term</b>
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>Non-pupil Day</b>
25 <sup>th</sup>	Fairtrade Fortnight
1 <sup>st</sup> March	EYFS Colchester Zoo trip
7 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day
15 <sup>th</sup>	Comic Relief
20 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 Stubbers meeting 6pm
21 <sup>st</sup>	Yr 1 Gruffalo trip
27 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening 3.30pm - 7.00pm
28 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening 3.30pm - 6.00pm
25 <sup>th</sup>	Mock SATS week Dodgeball Day
28 <sup>th</sup>	Bring a mum to school EYFS Stay and Play - RD
29 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Stay and Play - RP
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Autism Awareness Week Dodgeball Day
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Easter Service
3 <sup>rd</sup>	School Discos
4 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade
5 <sup>th</sup>	Dodgeball Final
5 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>End of Term</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>First Day of Term</b>



**Map of Kensuke's Kingdom  
By Lois Duck**

**Green Card Awards**



Ellis Adeniyi

CONGRATULATIONS  
WE ARE PROUD OF YOU

**Welcome to our  
new caretaker  
Mr Crabb**

Look out for him  
and  
say  
hello!



**Emergency School Closure**

On the rare occasion of us having to close temporarily, for example in severe weather or a heating breakdown, communication of closure will be through the following means:

- A text message
- A post on the Essex County Council website
- A tweet posted to the school twitter
- The tweet will appear on the school website

**Road Safety**

We have been reminding children to 'Stop, Look, Listen, and Think' when they are crossing roads. To help keep them safe we have discussed being bright to be seen in the dark and taking care when looking at mobile phones. Please help us to keep your children safe by keeping the school entrances clear of vehicles. This will enable pupils to cross more safely and allow access for emergency vehicles if necessary. Thank you.