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Newsletter 4th March 2021

Encouraging everyone's light to shine

Dear Essendon families,

We are so excited to be able to welcome all the children back on Monday. I hope you enjoy your last weekend of the current lockdown situation, and that your children are looking forward to returning to normal schooling. Here is this week's news...

Facebook page

In order to further improve our accessibility to parents, we have revived the school's Facebook page, which has been disused since 2017. If you are a Facebook user, please follow and



like the page, which will be used to post messages, photos and news in the future. The address is https://www.facebook.com/EssendonCofE

Multi-Active clubs and wraparound care

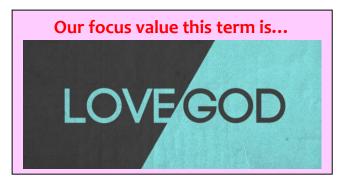
We are pleased to announce that after-school clubs from Multi-Active will be starting up again after the Easter holidays. Full details can be found further down this newsletter, including details of their Easter holiday camps and wraparound care. Please note, in a change to their originally published programme, Mondays will now be Gymnastics instead of Bootcamp.

World Book Day

It was lovely to see so many children participating in the World Book Day activities on Thursday, whether in school or at home. Reading is a life-long pleasure, and we hope the day's activities have helped encourage your children to develop good reading habits that they will continue into the future!

Sponsored read

Don't forget to support your child in taking part in the sponsored read following on from World Book Day. This is a great way to support the school in



gaining new resources to support reading and writing. See Mr Woodhouse's letter for more details.

World Book Day tokens

This year, due to Covid restrictions, we have signed up for digital World Book Day tokens.



You will receive a link to your token shortly. All you need to do is click on the link and follow the instructions to redeem your voucher.

Surveys

Thank you to all those who took the time to complete our online surveys. Your feedback is very welcome and will help to inform our future school development planning.

Marie Curie Great Daffodil Appeal

Don't forget that we are supporting the Marie Curie Great Daffodil Appeal with today's "Wear Something Yellow" day. If you haven't done so already, you can donate to the appeal here:



Appeal

https://www.mariecurie.org.uk/daffodil/donate.

Now read on to see the brilliant work our pupils have been posting online this week!

With love and best wishes, Mr Potter



Dear Parent/Guardian,

On behalf of Multi-Active I would like to give you all an update.

Multi-Active are so pleased to announce we will be Essendon's Wrap Around Before and After School Club once again from March 8th 2021. The Base After school sports clubs will begin from 13th April 2021!

Multi-Active are a childcare provider who operate across Beds/Herts/Cambs and Essex working with schools to provide Wrap Around Care and School Holiday Services. For more information about Multi-Active you can visit our website at www.multi-active.co.uk

From 8th March 2021 we will be providing:

Breakfast Club: Runs from 7.30-8.45am Mon-Fri, which includes fun games and Breakfast followed by a school walk to the classroom. We have 2 drop off slots 7:30am and

After School Care Club: March 8th - March 26th 2021 from 3.30-6pm Monday - Friday we will offer a 'care club' which includes various daily activities. We have 3 collection slots 4:15pm, 5pm and 6pm Monday - Friday. A Food Menu and Club Rota to see what activity clubs are on each day is displayed on our website.

From 12th April 2021 - 28th May 2021 we will begin our popular After School Clubs again! Monday -Bootcamp - 3:15-4:15 Outside Changed to Gymnastics - 3.15-4.15 Inside

Tuesday – Nerf Targets Club – 3:15-4:15 Inside/Outside

Wednesday - Football Skills Club - 3:15-4:15 Inside/Outside

Thursday - Rounders Club - 3:15-4:15 Outside

Friday – Street Dance Club – 3:15-4:15 *Inside*

We will again run our after care club until 6pm for children alongside an afternoon snack.

Holiday Club: Multi-Active run camps in the school holidays with various activity days from 7.30am – 6.00 pm for children in the local area! Your closest venues are at Hollybush Primary School in Hertford/ at Ridgeway Academy in Welwyn Garden City/ at Longmeadow Primary in Stevenage. Our next camp is Easter Holiday camp on 29th March 2021!

How to book:

8am.

For Wrap Around Care:

By email: admin@multi-active.co.uk

By calling our office on Tel:01462 351582 or 07561-416208 (Mon-Fri 8am - 4:30pm).

We use continuous bookings the office will ask you to fill these out to secure your booking.

For Holiday Camps: Online at www.multi-active.co.uk select the venue you would like and place your booking using our booking system. The next camp is Easter Holiday Camp from 29th March 2021!

We are Ofsted registered and accept Childcare Vouchers and Tax Free Vouchers. For more information please see our website at www.multi-active.co.uk and select 'Wrap Around Care' and 'After School Clubs' to find out what activities are running in your child's school and to see our regular newsletter to keep you up to date!

Please note: Parents who already have a continuous booking with us will have their booking automatically applied and they will get an email with dates their child is booked in. If they need to make changes to contact the office. Some parents have a credit notes for sessions that did not go ahead - these will be applied to March and April's bookings before any further payment is taken.

We look forward to seeing you there! Let's get Multi-Active!

Kind Regards,

Katie Miles, School Operations Manager and The Multi-Active Team



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Multi-Active have been running Wrap Around Care services at Essendon Primary since September 2020 and we are excited to let you know about the fun After School Clubs running next term at your school.

Next term we have a great range of clubs from Nerf Target Club working on our accuracy and tactical play to Bootcamp with fitness-based games and exercises open to children from Reception to Year 6. Please note that due to Covid-19 rules for wrap around care settings we can only offer 15 places per club to ensure we comply with our Covid-19 guidelines (Full details of how we keep children safe and our Covid-19 procedures to keep children safe can be found on our website). If you would like your child to attend a club, please go online to our website to book online or call our office on the number below. We accept childcare vouchers and tax-free credits. More information about our other services such as our Breakfast Club and extended hours care club up to 6pm at The Base can be found on our website.

School/Location	Essendon Primary	Dates	Tues 13 th April 2021 - Fri 28 th May 2021	Cost (£)	£2 per session when booking 7 week block sessions The School will cover 50% of the usual club fee.(usually £4)
Duration	1 Hour	Time	3:15pm - 4:15 pm	Age	Years Reception to Year 6
Club Details	Monday – Booking 4.1 Tuesday – Nerf Targets Cl Wednesday – Football Ski Thursday – Rounders Club Friday – Street Dance Club	ills Club – 3:1 5 – 3:15-4:15	.5 5-4:15 Outside Outside	Changed	– now Gymnastics
Booking info	To Book online please go Essendon The Base After You can also book by Tele Please note that places or	School Clubs	Iling 01462 351582	!	fter School Clubs and select



Photos from our learning this week!

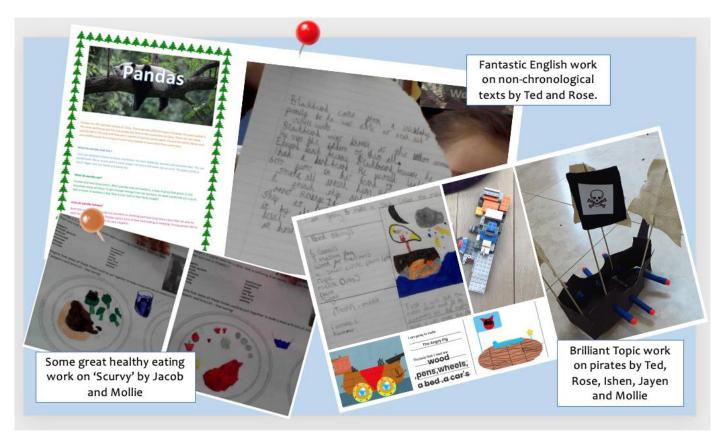
Pantherswood



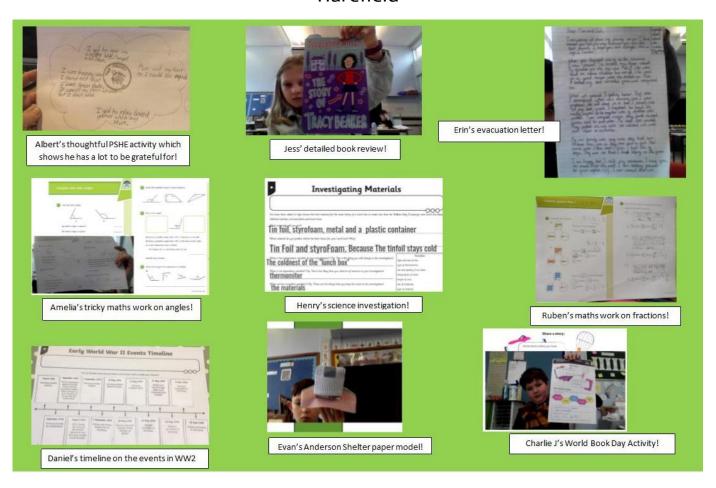
Homewood



Warrenwood

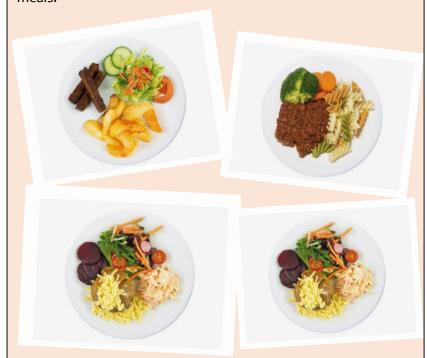


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Sign up for hot and cold school meals!

Since Herts Catering Ltd began providing our school meals in the Autumn term, we have been delighted by the fantastic quality, generous portions and wide variety of options on offer. The pupils have unanimously expressed their enjoyment of the meals.



I would strongly encourage all parents to read through the information available at www.hcl.co.uk and consider taking up these excellent school meals!



Whole class engagement online this week...

Whole School – 4 stars out of 5 Pantherswood – 3 stars out of 5 Homewood – 4 stars out of 5 Warrenwood – 3 stars out of 5 Harefield – 5 stars out of 5

Term dates 2020-2021

Autumn Term

Weds 2nd Sep: Inset Day Thurs 3 Sep: Term Begins Mon 26-Fri 30 Oct: Half Term Fri 18 Dec: End of Term

Spring Term

Mon 4th Jan: Inset Day Tues 5 Jan: Term Begins Mon 15-Fri 19 Feb: Half Term Fri 26 Mar: End of Term

Summer Term

Mon 12 Apr: Inset Day Tues 13 Apr: Term Begins Mon 31 May-Fri 4 Jun: Half Term Mon 7 Jun: Inset Day Tues 20 Jul: End of Term

Weds 21 Jul: Inset Day Thurs 22 Jul: Occasional Day

Congratulations to this week's star learners!

Pantherswood:

James and Evelyn-Rose

Homewood:

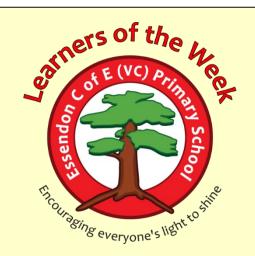
Quinn and Eden

Warrenwood:

Rose and Albie S

Harefield:

Louie and Amelia



Well done to you all! Your cut-out-and-keep Learner of the Week leaves are below.

Pantherswood



Awarded to
James Goldsworthy

By Mrs O'Connor & Miss Gurney

For sharing his wonderful creations and for challenging his learning with his mark making skills.

On 5/3/21

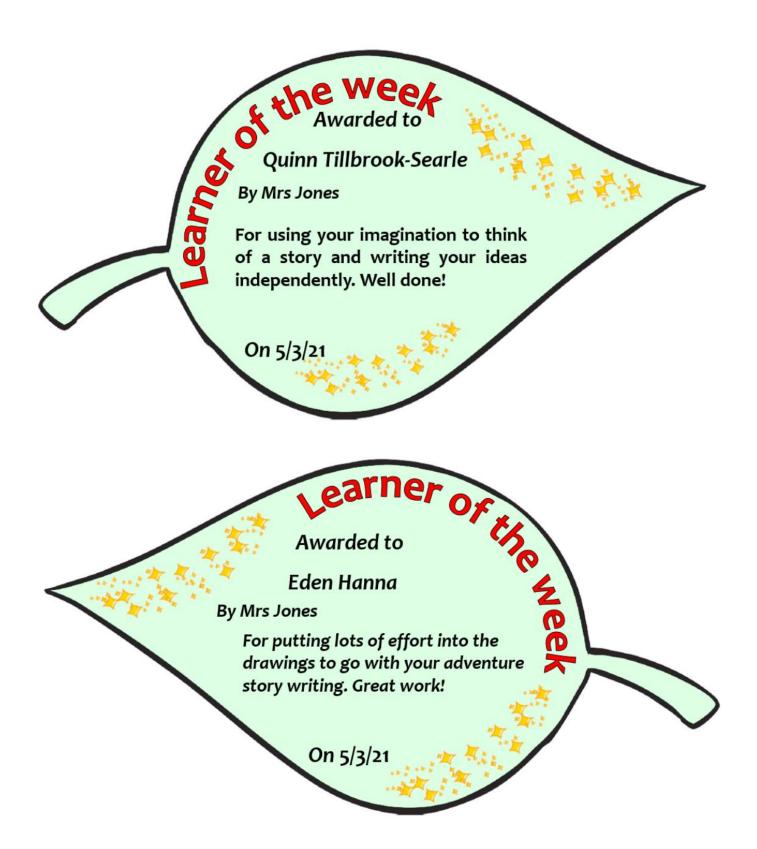
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Awarded to Evelyn-Rose Emslie

By Mrs O'Connor & Miss Holding
For showing determination and
for always being willing to challenge
her learning, especially in maths
and phonic activities.

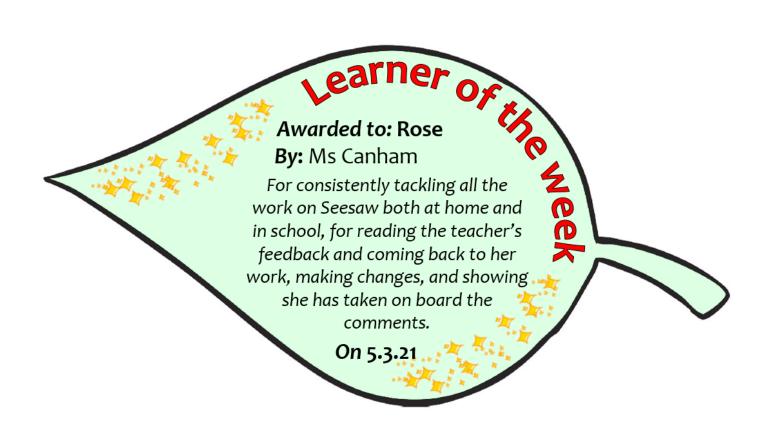
On 5/3/21

Homewood



Warrenwood

Awarded to: Albie S By: Mr Woodhouse For a beautifully textured daffodil sketch and painting, showing careful detail of a single flower as well as a painting of a vase of daffodils. On 5/3/2021



Harefield

