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Friday 1st October 2021

Encouraging everyone's light to shine

Dear Essendon families,

Coffee Morning -Family Worker

Everyone is invited to Coffee and Cake on Tuesday 12th October from 9am to 10:30am in school, to meet Kim, our new Family Worker and find out how she can help support our Essendon Families. You may want to find out how to support your child with anxieties or worries, you may want more information on sleep routines for yourself and your child, or how to support your child with friendships. You may want to learn about supporting your child with healthy eating or being prepared for the coming teenage years or you may need information on benefits or housing. Please come along and meet Kim - everyone is welcome, big concerns or small concerns, it's just a chance to get together and support each other on our parenting journey.

Flu Sniff

Flu sniff consent forms have been sent out to all parents/carers. To take up this free offer of protection against flu we need all consent forms back before half term. The Flu sniff will take place on 10th November and it is another way of protecting staff and children from infection. Please contact Mrs Wilkinson in the school office if you need another form. admin@essendon.herts.sch.uk

Black History Month

October is Black History month when we focus on celebrating Black history, heritage and culture. Have a look at the stories that celebrate being young, gifted and black, a great place to start:

https://www.waterstones.com/black-historymonth

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https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/joinin/black-history-month

Message from our Governors

It was so lovely to see Harefield and Warrenwood pupils in St Mary's church on Thursday afternoon as part of the school's Harvest celebrations. It has been a long time since the school were able to go inside the building due to covid restrictions and they were warmly welcomed by Rev Theresa and the church wardens. The children had walked from school carrying food donations from all the pupils, parents and staff. These donations were left at the altar and will be delivered to the local Food Bank. Ms Canham pointed out various objects in the church, including the wonderful painting behind the altar of Jesus at the last supper with his disciples. The children then listened to the story of Jesus feeding the 5000 with only 5 loaves and 2 fishes, reminding us of how we all can share with each other. The children behaved beautifully and were great ambassadors for Essendon school. We are looking forward to welcoming the school back to St Mary's again in the near future.

From Pauline Alleyne

Chair/Foundation Governor

Half Term Holiday Club

Multi-Active are pleased to announce their Essendon School Holiday Club will run in October Half Term from: 25th October- 29th October. Book places on arts and crafts, science days and spooky themed days via

www.multi-active.co.uk

Parent Teacher Consultations

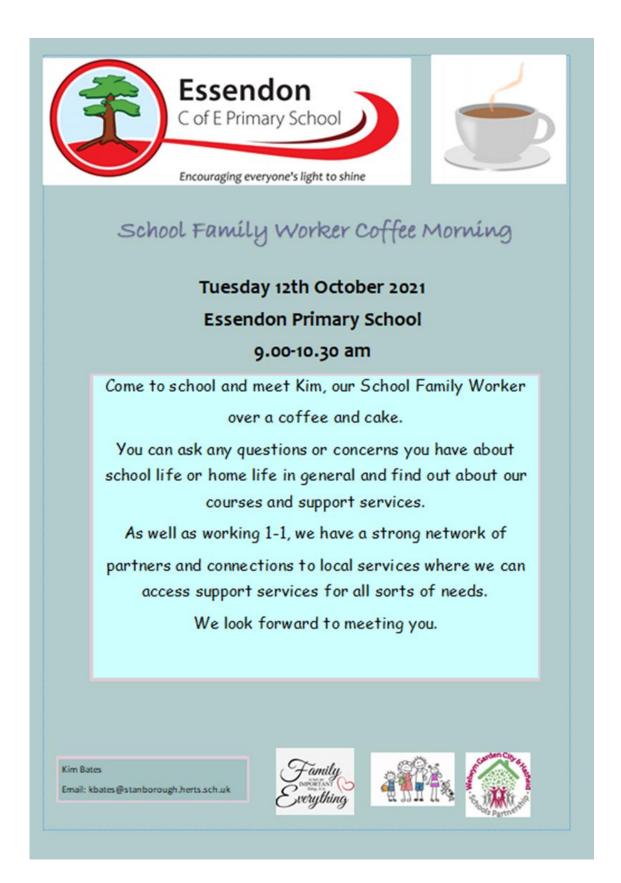
This term's parent teacher consultations on Tuesday 19th October and Thursday 21st October, booking letter to follow.

Remember - school closed

INSET Day Friday 8th October 2021 – school closed to children.

Have a lovely weekend. From Ms Canham

Headteacher's Award: Carter in Homewood. **Learner Leaves for Last Week:** Georgie - Homewood, Poppy – Warrenwood, Keira - Harefield.



All welcome



Essendon C of E (VC) Primary School

Key Dates: 2021/2022

Autumn Term:

Wednesday 1st September 2021 – Inset Day Start of term for pupils - Thursday 2nd September 2021

Friday 8th October – INSET DAY

Half Term: Monday 25th to Friday 29th October 2021

End of term for pupils: Friday 17th December 2021 – 1.15 pm Monday 20th December 2021 – Occasional Day Tuesday 21st December 2021 – Occasional Day

Spring Term:

Wednesday 5th January 2022 – Inset Day Start of term for pupils – Thursday 6th January 2022

Half Term: Monday 14th to Friday 18th February 2022

End of Term – Friday 1st April 2022 – 1.15 pm

Summer Term:

Tuesday 19th April 2022 – Inset Day Start of term for pupils - Wednesday 20th April 2022

Spring Bank Holiday – Monday 2nd May 2022

Half Term – Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022

Friday 17th June – INSET Day Transition Day – Thursday 14th July 2022

End of Term – Friday 22nd July 2022 – 1:15pm