



Essendon C of E Primary School

stir up one another to love and good works

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Newsletter: 18th September 2020

Dear Essendon families ...

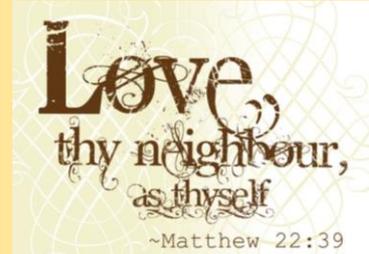
Our first full week back has been completed, and that is something to celebrate. I hope your children are rightly proud of themselves for how they've settled back into the swing of things.

Covid-19: changes to our procedures

We are continually reviewing our procedures to ensure we are doing everything possible to keep our community safe. As a result, we will be asking parents to follow revised procedures **from Monday**:

- 1. PE.** On days when they have PE, we will be asking pupils to come to school in their PE kits and to remain in them all day. This will avoid the need to bring two sets of clothing into school and thus reduce the number of avenues of infection risk.
- 2. End-of-day stagger.** We know it has been difficult for parents to maintain sufficient distance when collecting pupils from the front carpark. We will therefore be asking parents to collect at the following staggered times. (Parents of pupils in multiple classes can pick them all up at the same time).
 - ◆ Homewood: 3.05pm
 - ◆ Warrenwood: 3.10pm
 - ◆ Pantherswood and Harefield: 3.15pm
- 3. Masks.** We are encouraging parents to wear masks if possible when collecting children. Please remember masks are worn not for the wearer's protection, but for the protection of others.

This half term, our value is:



Seesaw online learning

Sadly, it is likely that we may be forced to close at some point. I wanted to reassure you that in the event of a bubble or whole-school closure, teaching will move immediately to the Seesaw platform for home learning. Class teachers are in the process of setting their classes up and will provide login details in due course. If you struggle to gain access to online learning for any reason, please inform your child's teacher.

Herts County Council School Closure Notification System (Everbridge)

In the event of a bubble or whole-school closure, we will seek to notify parents by all available means. Please ensure you have signed up to receive texts from the Everbridge notification system here:

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/emergency-school-closures/emergency-school-closures.aspx>

PE Day Monday 19th October

We are delighted that Hatfield and Welwyn Sports Partnership will be coming into school to lead a day of PE activities on Monday 19th October, so please can all pupils come wearing their PE kits on that date.

Bags to School Day Monday 9th November

Collection bags will be sent home for old clothes to be collected, with the proceeds going to the school!

School Association Relaunch: new parents needed!

After many years of raising invaluable funds for the school, we are looking for new parents to join a relaunched school association this term. If you would like to contribute to a fantastic organisation that raises vital resources to support our children's education, please contact me directly.

Multi-Active Breakfast and afterschool club – The Base

There are still places at Breakfast Club and Afterschool club. Contact details for Multi-Active are overleaf.

Have a great weekend! With love and best wishes, Mr Potter

How to Book Guide

Bookings can be made for all of our services such as Wrap Around Care, School Clubs, Holiday Camps and more through our website.

Simply go to www.multi-active.co.uk and select the service you are looking for.

Then select the location of the School and this will direct you onto the school page and a button to book with us online.

Online bookings are done via Active Works and parents will receive their own portal login details to see their bookings

Ways you can book

It is recommended that you book online through www.multi-active.co.uk

We accept childcare vouchers and Tax Free Vouchers. Please choose pay with vouchers option when booking online and enter the code CCVOUCHER2017 at checkout. Ensure we have your reference code by emailing the office at admin@multi-active.co.uk or by calling our office on Tel:01462 351582 or 07561-416208 (Mon-Fri 8am - 4:30pm).

Search for Multi-Active Essendon, when using Tax free vouchers and ensure we have your child's TFC reference code.

Please note when you book online we offer a 10% sibling discount. This is applied when you get to the last stage of booking automatically.

The Base at Essendon Primary

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From September 2020 Multi-Active will be running the Wrap Around Care at Essendon Primary for children who attend the school.

Breakfast Club Runs from 7:30-8:30am Mon-Fri, which includes fun games and breakfast followed by a quiet work in the classroom till 9am September 2020

After School Club Runs from 3:15-6pm Mon-Fri, which includes a fun programme for children alongside an afternoon snack (starts from November 2020)

Holiday Club Runs every school holidays from 7:30-6pm (starts October Half Term).

How to book

For parents who wish to make a continuous booking please contact our office.

For ad-hoc bookings you can book online or by calling our office on Tel: 01462 351582

[Contact us](#)

[Book Breakfast Club September 2020](#)

[Book Breakfast Club October 2020](#)

[Book October Half Term 2020](#)

Session Selection

SELECT ONE SERVICE. ADDITIONAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE SAME TIME.

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Location

Session

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HAVE QUESTIONS?

Governor View

As we all continue to adjust to the times we are currently living in, I am very pleased to notice there is a good energy within the school and children are really excited to be back. The teachers are making great use of the generous outdoor space we are so blessed to have and enjoying every day of sunshine! The governors had a meeting last week and we were pleased to learn that the building works are progressing well and expected to be finalised around 22nd October.

Everyone involved in running the school is aware of how challenging these times are for most parents and children. Thank you for all your patience and support, thank you for social distancing within the school grounds and trying to do your best to keep each other safe. Children, Parents, Teachers, Governors and community, we are all lucky to be part of this small but resilient and special Essendon Family.

Jan Bedregeanu

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Friday 2nd October: Individual photos

Monday 19th October: PE day (all children to wear PE kit to school)

Monday 9th November: Bags to School Day

Monday 16th November: Children's nasal flu vaccinations

Monday 16th November & Wednesday 18th November: Parent's evening

Congratulations to this week's star learners!

Pantherswood:

Matthew and Terry

Homewood:

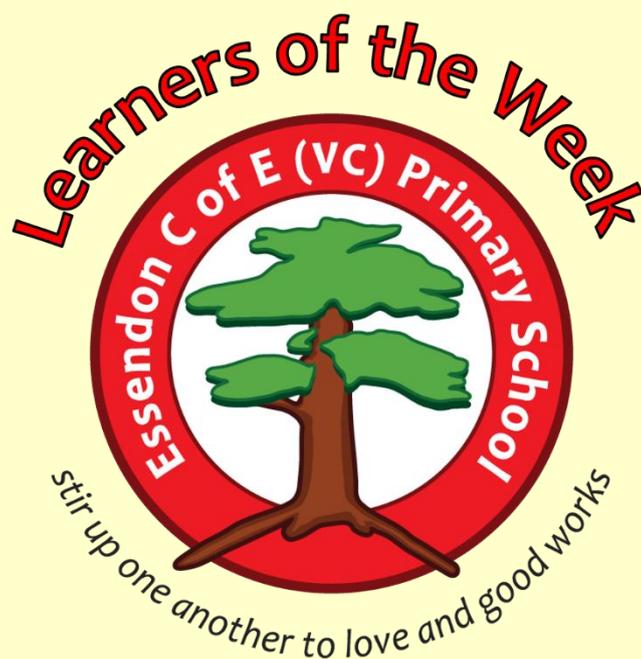
Ava and Edward

Warrenwood:

Ted and Albie

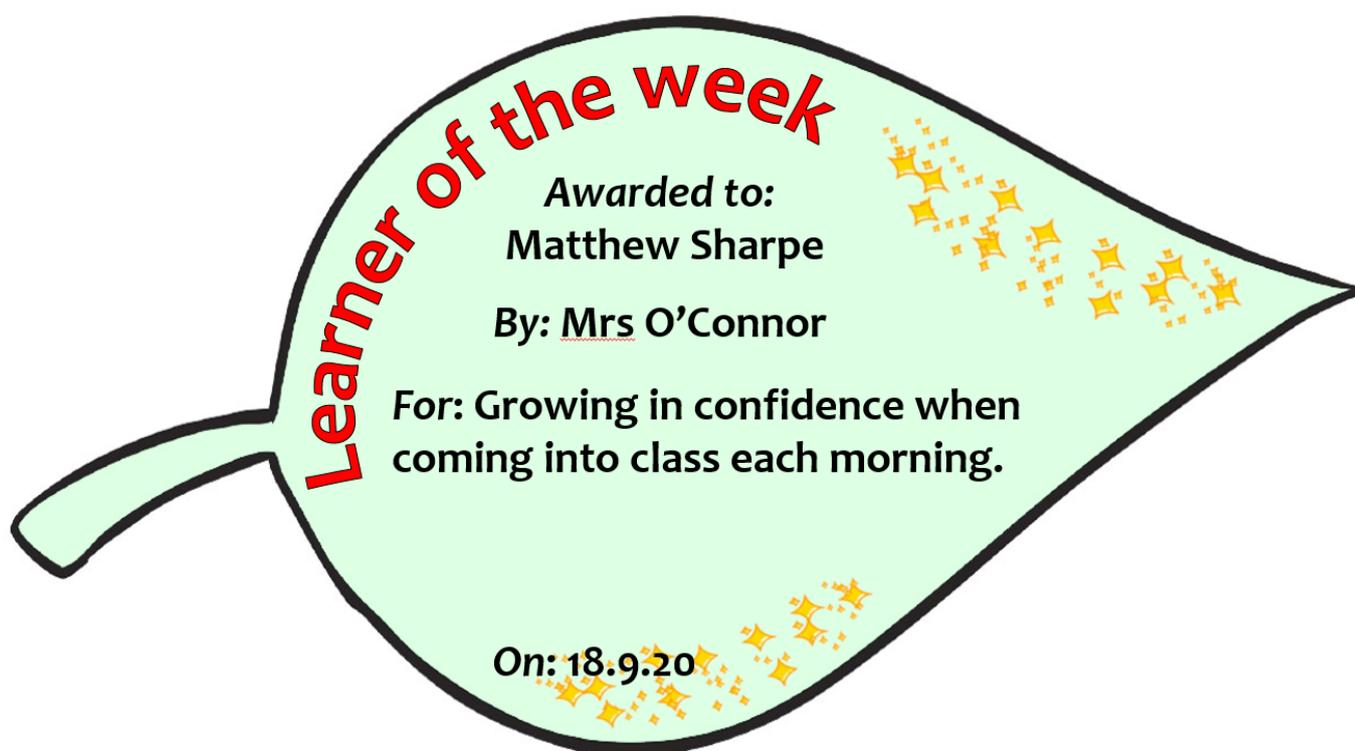
Harefield:

Charlie and Albert

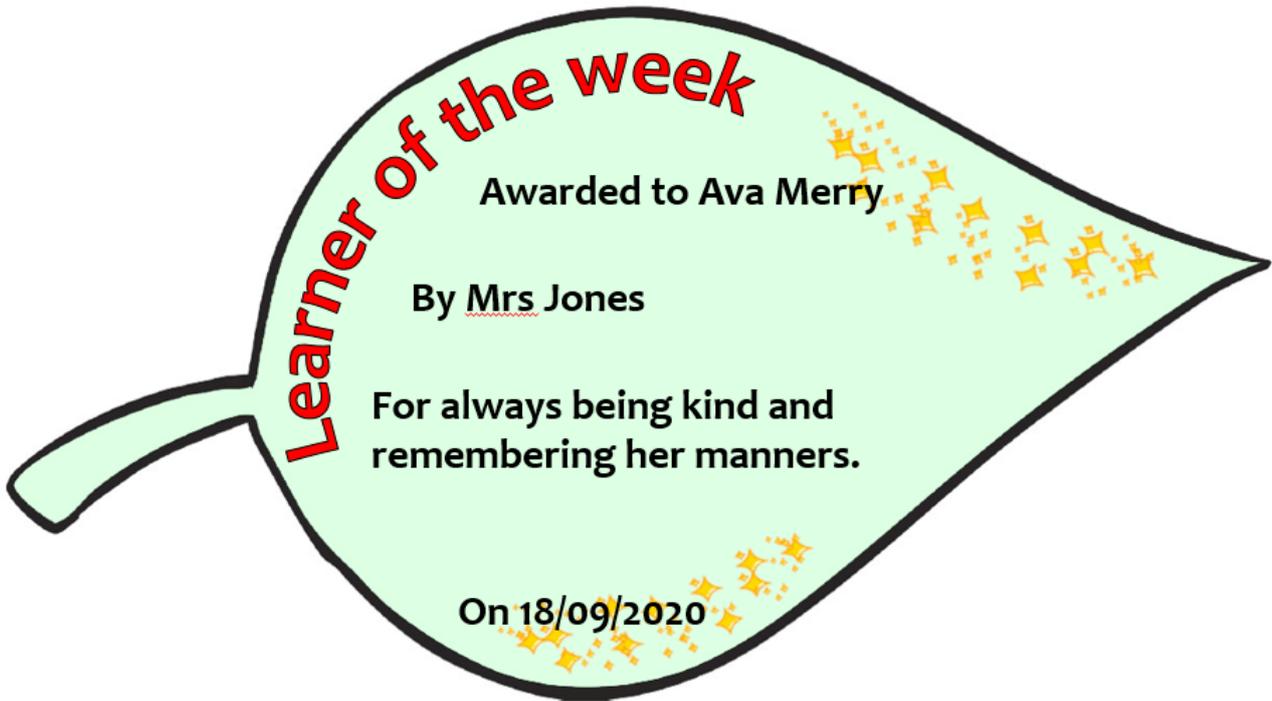


Well done to you all! Your cut-out-and-keep leaves are attached below, and don't forget that your leaves will be kept and put up on the Essendon Tree display at the front of the school once it has been installed.

Pantherswood



Homewood



Learner of the week

Awarded to Ava Merry

By Mrs Jones

For always being kind and remembering her manners.

On 18/09/2020



Learner of the week

Awarded to Edward Sell

By Mrs Jones

For always trying his hardest and working to improve his handwriting!

On 18/09/2020

Warrenwood

Learner of the week

Awarded to:

Ted Craig

By: Mr Woodhouse

For: Perseverance and not giving up
on challenges in your work.

On: 18.9.20

Learner of the week

Awarded to:

Albie Sell

By: Ms Canham

For: Working hard in all his
learning and for concentrating
on his presentation.

On 18.9.20

Harefield

