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NEWSLETTER: Friday 11th October 2024



Welcome to this week's newsletter. This week we have had our first parents' evenings of the year and it has been lovely to see so many parents in school to talk about their children's achievements and next steps, thank you to everyone who said hello or shared how their meetings went, it was a pleasure to be able to speak to so many parents.

Also this week, we have had Year Two pirate day so there was a lot of swashbuckling mischief happening in their classrooms yesterday! Today, our Year 6 prefects have helped to run the next tour for prospective parents and the children, as always, were a real credit to their parents and the school with all the prospective parents commenting on their confidence, articulation, and positivity. Well done to these children!

Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor at the school. This is a really important role within the school as the governors help to set the strategic direction for the school and ensure the children receive the high-quality education they deserve. If you are interested in becoming a parent governor, please contact the clerk at clerk@emsworth.hants.sch.uk for an application form. If there are more applicants than we have vacancies for, parents will be asked to take part in a ballot to choose the next parent governor. The deadline for applications is the 25th October at 12pm.

America's Cup Final

The final of the America's Cup starts tomorrow and as previously shared, one of the team is a parent to one of our Year 6 children so this has caused quite a bit of excitement. We would like to wish the very best of luck to INEOS Britannia!

Show Racism the Red Card Day

As shared in the diary dates at the beginning of the year, next Friday is 'show racism the red card' day. This is a really important day to ensure that honest and open conversations around racism, and it impact, take place. On Friday, the children can wear anything red to school to mark this day. Please make sure the children are wearing sensible shoes and not wearing anything expensive.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend, see you bright and early on Monday morning.

Best wishes,

Rebecca Mitchell

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Celebrating the Children

Our Stars of the Week this week are:

Class	Name	Reason
Badgers	Louie Wiggins	Louie, you are always so helpful and kind towards others. We are very proud of you; you are a star!
Hedgehogs	Iris Duffy	Iris, you are always a kind, helpful and positive member of the class. You really are a star!
Squirrels	Charlie Webber	Charlie, you have had an amazing start to Year 1. You work hard, listen and are a great role model. Well done!
Rabbits	Millie Boggild	Millie, we are so impressed with your love of learning and the care you put into your work, especially your handwriting. Well done Millie!
Puffins	Arthur Hammersly	Arthur, you are really enjoying Year 2, you work hard in every lesson and show great role model skills. Fabulous!
Penguins	Theo Patten	Theo, you have worked so hard and shown fantastic perseverance in phonics this week. Well done!
Lions	Esmae Butt	We are incredibly proud of the kindness you've shown since joining Lions class. We're so happy that you are one of our Happiness Heroes!
Tigers	Teddy Kenneth	Teddy, since joining EPS, you have demonstrated the school values every day. Your love of learning is infectious and admirable; you are an inspiration to others.
Kangaroos	Anouk Le Gris	Anouk, you have such a brilliant attitude towards all of you learning and are a great role model to others.
Koalas	Theo Fuller	Theo, you have shown tremendous enjoyment in all of your learning which has produced some great success! Your love for learning and helping others is a positive influence in Koala class.
Owls	Tommy Creamer	Tommy, I am so impressed with your determination in your writing this week. You have worked so hard on your Space poem. Also, a huge well done on 12/12 in your spelling test this morning!
Otters	Xander Boggild	Xander, you have demonstrated maturity and accountability towards your learning this week and you have really reaped the benefits. Well done!
Flamingos	Oliver Murray	Oliver, you have created some incredible writing in our English lessons and have a brilliant attitude to school life in general.
Toucans	Cooper Simmons	Cooper, you have demonstrated an excellent attitude towards your learning this week. You are pushing yourself more now and it has been great to see your confidence beginning to grow too.

Award	Child or Class Receiving the Award	Reason
Headteachers Award	Tylney Harvey	Tylney is a fantastic role model in Year 6. She is always kind and considerate to others and always demonstrates the school's values. Tylney has recently been appointed as pupil governor and takes this role incredibly seriously already.
Attendance Award	Tigers	100%

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Early Years (EYFS)

We have had a fantastic week exploring activities based on the story of The Little Red Hen.

To develop our fine motor skills, we planted seeds with tweezers, cut the wheat and ground the wheat. We explored using different materials and techniques to paint and collage hens. Finally, we all made some delicious bread rolls.







Years 1 and 2 (Key Stage One)

This week in Year 1, we have been writing sentences celebrating how great it is being unique. The children have used lovely adjectives to describe their hair, eyes and personality. We have really enjoyed seeing the children's enthusiasm for their writing. In Maths, we have been looking at greater than, less than and equal to. We have had fun completing different activities and spending time in both classes. The children really impressed us with their bouncing, catching and passing skills in P.E, and it has been great getting outside to use our outdoor activities in explore time! What a fun week we've had!

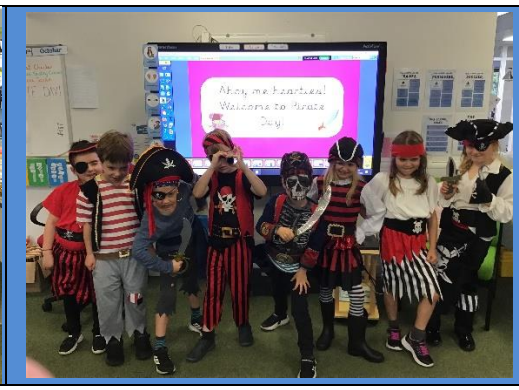
Ahoy me hearties! What an adventure Year 2 pirates have had this week. The children were brave and strong and passed their initiation to join the crew. They prepared their treasure maps with an X marks the spot and they drank some disgusting grog! They independently sewed a pouch for all their pieces of eight. What an exhausting day talking and behaving like a pirate all day! They looked amazing, thank you all for your involvement and hard work with the costumes – they were a motley crew aarrgh! We sail to calmer shores next week…

For our online Road Safety lesson, the children had some excellent knowledge and answers. They enjoyed being part of a 'meeting' with lots of other schools and worked hard.

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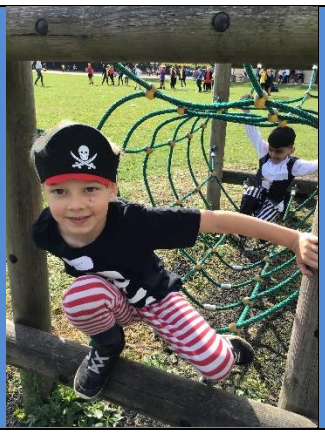




Years 3 and 4 (Key Stage Two)

What an incredibly busy week we have had in Year 3! In English we have started our new text 'Stone Age Boy' which fits perfectly with our topic work. We have loved imagining what it would be like to find ourselves back in Stone Age times. When we practised our adverbial sentences orally, our teachers were blown away by the descriptive language we used! In art, we had a go at drawing our creatures on the sandy cave walls we created last week. This was quite tricky, but it really helped us to understand what it was like for people millions of years ago. In our PE lessons, we have moved on from passing and catching to moving and dodging. We played a game called Foxes and Farmers which was really fun.

This week, Year 4 have been busy creating their diary entries in the character of Thomas. We have been very impressed with their choice of language and composition and many of you shared this sentiment during parents' evening. In maths, we have been consolidating the column method up to one thousand for addition and next week we will move on to subtraction. Th children have thoroughly enjoyed the science topic this term and this week they created circuits that involved buzzers, motors and switches as well as light bulbs. There was a real 'buzz' of excitement!







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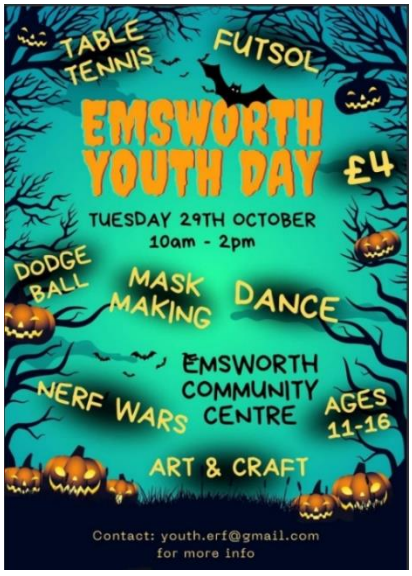
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Years 5 and 6 (Key Stage Two)

This week in Year 5, the children have been drafting and planning their Space poems. They have explored higher-tier vocabulary, discussed the structure of inspiring Space poetry, planned their own verses and have begun collating ideas and writing initial sentences. We look forward to sharing these with you next week.
In maths, we have started our addition and subtraction unit. We have been impressed with how much the children have retained from last year – this year we will be exploring addition and subtraction with up to 6-digits. We have set new MyMaths tasks for this unit.
The children enjoyed their Netball session this week; it was all about creating space and getting away from your marker! We continue to encourage and teach the children about sportsmanship and to support one another. After half term, the children will be going swimming (every Tuesday) as part of our PE curriculum. The children have been given consent forms to bring home, please return these by Friday 25th October. Have a lovely weekend.

Year 6 have had another very busy week and the countdown is now on for our residential to PGL. The time is really flying by!
In maths this week, the children began their next unit of work on the four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We began by recapping the column methods for adding and subtracting before moving on to multiplication. Please remind your children to keep practising their times tables – even if they already know them – as they now need to be able to apply these facts when working with larger numbers and more complex problems.
In English this week, we began a new learning journey linked to the text Floodlands by Marcus Sedgwick. We have been reading this in our guided reading lessons so the children know the characters and events well and will now apply this knowledge when writing in role as different characters. In guided reading, we have moved on to a new text called Moth, which is linked to our science topic on evolution and inheritance. The book is a great way to explore some tricky scientific concepts and is visually stunning too. It has been a big hit with the children!



Emsworth Youth Day

For children aged 11 – 16 at Emsworth Community Centre on Tuesday 29th October

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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAMS

Childhood Anxiety

Does your child show signs of anxiety? Do you know what anxiety looks like in children and what might cause it?

The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) are a team of mental health specialists supporting young people through Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT).

If you would like to learn more about anxiety and how you can support your child (and enjoy a cuppa and biscuits!), join Katie from the MHST at the session below.



Wednesday 16th October 2024 at 2pm

at Emsworth Primary School

Please confirm your space with the office

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Refreshments will be provided