

Eversley Primary School Newsletter 14

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**School will close for the Christmas Holidays at
1.30pm on Thursday 21st December 2017**



Eversley Wins the School Games Platinum Award!

We are very pleased to announce that Eversley Primary School was one of only 104 schools in the country to receive the special School Games Platinum Award!

The Award is part of the School Games Mark, a government led awards scheme launched in 2012 and administered by national charity the Youth Sport Trust, which had close to 9,000 applicants this year. Its aim is to reward schools for a commitment to the development of competition across schools and into the community.



The Platinum Award is the new fourth level of the award scheme, introduced earlier this year to celebrate schools who had shown consistently high-levels of enthusiasm and commitment to school sport. Applications are only open to those schools who achieved five successive gold awards.

To achieve the gold award a school must meet a certain set of criteria, which includes engaging a high percentage of young people in both curricular and extracurricular activities, participating in a minimum number of competitions across different sports, and reaching out to target groups including young leaders, volunteers, and those previously identified as the school's least-active pupils.

Ali Oliver, Chief Executive of the Youth Sport Trust, said: "We are pleased to introduce the new Platinum Award this year to give these exemplary schools the recognition which they deserve. We are extremely proud of all our award winners for the passion which they have shown towards the School Games and their dedication to providing opportunities for all young people to take part in competitive school sport."

At a time when young people are becoming less healthy and less active, the School Games provides opportunities for millions across the country to participate in sport and reap the benefits of an active lifestyle both on and off the field. Schools like Eversley are really leading the way."

They're approximately 20,000 primary schools across the country, so it really is an outstanding accomplishment to be one of 104 schools that were awarded the Platinum, with only three other schools across the borough of Enfield sharing this achievement.



Congratulations to all our musical pupils who performed to such an amazing standard on Wednesday afternoon. There were over 80 performers in the concert from our Key stage 2 classes who gave the audience many superb musical memories; you gave the audience a great afternoon. We would like to take the opportunity to thank the staff who have worked each week with you all, our string ensemble tutor, Julie Clifford, Guitar ensemble tutor Simon Drey and Mrs Ocran who leads the Year 3 Young Singers. We were extremely proud of you all. (Mrs Evans)



Goldilocks and The Three Bears

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week the Reception children performed their version of Goldilocks and the Three Bears to their parents and siblings.

This was their first performance at Eversley and it was a huge success! Well done to Nightingale, Kingfisher and Woodpecker Classes! We are very proud of you and all your hard work. Thank you to the parents for their support in attending. (The Reception Team.)

EFL Kids Cup Runners-up!

On Thursday 14th December, the Eversley boys' football team played in the regional qualifiers of the EFL Kids Cup at The Hive for a chance to represent Barnet FC in the South of England League 2 Finals later this year. The boys got off to a steady start with a 0-0 draw against Cannon Lane and quickly followed that up with a superb 2-0 win against Sunnyfields, thanks to two goals from Christopher. After another 0-0 draw against Goldbeaters, the boys played their last group stage game against Pinner Park, where a late goal handed the boys their first loss of the day as the game finished 1-0.



However, despite not playing their best football, the boys had done just enough to qualify for the quarter finals where they faced a strong St Georges side.

Knowing that they were so close to the final, the boys began to defend much better as a unit and were able to deny their opponents any goal scoring opportunities before Christopher grabbed a late goal to send them into the semi-finals against Broadfields. Despite the nerves beginning to set in, Rishon managed to unleash a thunderous strike from outside the box to give Eversley an early lead and the boys were able to withstand a flurry of late attacks to shut their opponents out and send them all the way into the final.

Their last game of the day was against St Marys and St Johns and both teams played their part in what was a very entertaining final. However, with neither side able to find a winning goal it all went down to penalties. Baz once again proved what an outstanding keeper he is by keeping out three spot-kicks but unfortunately Eversley eventually lost the shootout 2-1 and were awarded their runners-up pendant by Barnet FC goalkeeper Kai McKenzie-Lyle after the game.

The boys should be very proud of how they performed throughout the day as their performances improved massively with each game they played and only just missed out in representing Barnet FC in the EFL Kids Cup for the second successive year running. (Mr Robotham)



Football Friendlies

Last Friday, the Eversley boys' and girls' football teams wrapped up their Autumn term with some friendly matches at Raglan Junior School, with three games happening at one time to give the children as much football as possible before the Christmas break.



Despite the cold weather, all the children played some fantastic football with both the boys' teams as well as the girls' team registering a win each and scoring a selection of superb goals. It was great to see 24 of our children playing competitive football against another school and sets them all up well for what it is looking like a busy Spring term in the second half of the season, with both sides looking to get their hands on their first trophy of the year. (Mr Robotham)

Key Stage 2 Panathlon Games

Congratulations to Leandro, Niyah, Zeni, Martin, Mustaneer and Aman who came first runners up at the Primary Panathlon at Lee Valley Leisure Centre, on Friday 8th December. We are very proud of the children as they showed teamwork, friendship and determination throughout the event. They discovered new talents for games they had never played before such as 'Kurling' (otherwise known as 'Sliders'!) and 'Flight Path' (which involves throwing balls at a Velcro target). However, their favourite activities were 'parachute popcorn' and long-jump as they took great delight at falling in the sand!

A big thank you to the Sports Leaders in year 6 (Jensen, Chris, Lidia, Talya, Isabella and Farah) who demonstrated superb organisational skills, gave clear instructions and made the event enjoyable and fun for all the children - they really helped make the event a huge success!
(Rachel Fryer)



Christmas Jumper Day

Today Eversley supported Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. All children and staff looked absolutely fabulous! With fairy lights and baubles, snowmen and Christmas trees - all on a jumper!

The children looked spectacular in whole school assembly and we saw a selection of the best jumpers chosen by each class teacher. Ms Heiler and Mrs Knight then had the difficult task of choosing 3 children from the whole school as winners!



Congratulations to:

Kira 1C for the most festive jumper
Farah 6JR the most sparkly jumper
Baran 6P the most original jumper

Thank you to everyone for taking part and donating to Save the Children.



Birthday Book Donations



We would like to wish the following children a wonderful birthday.
**Narissa P (Kingfisher), Abdudullah (1EM), Chloe T (1M),
 Ayse C (2DC), Sans M (4S)**



We hope you had a great day.
 Thank you for donating a birthday book to your class.

If you would like to donate a book to your class, please
 collect a donation sticker from the school office to stick your name and a message
 to your class in the book.

Dates for your Diary 2017-2018		
Autumn Term - 2017	Time	Event
18th December 2017		yr3: Ancient Egyptian Workshop
18th December 2017	9.20am	4C: Roman Assembly for parents
18th December 2017	PM	All year groups - Class Parties
21st December 2017	1.30pm	School finishes at 1.30pm for the Christmas holiday period
22nd Dec 2017 to 3rd Jan 2018	school closed	Christmas Holiday - School closed to pupils
Spring Term - 2018	Time	Event
3 rd January 2018	Closed	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
4th January 2018		Spring Term begins – Children back to school as usual
8th January 2018	9.05am	Meeting to Yr5 Parents regarding trip to France
31st January 2018	7.30pm	yr6: Young Voices Concert O2 Arena

This month's value is **Kindness**

Inconsiderate Parking/Driving

The Governors of Eversley Primary School continue to remain concerned about dangerous/illegal parking/driving around the school.

- Please do not park on the yellow zigzag lines or yellow lines
- Please do not stop your car in the middle of the road to allow your child into or out of the car as it is not safe
- Please also do not leave your parked vehicle unattended with the engine running or leave your vehicle engine running unnecessarily while your vehicle is stationary
- Please do not drive your vehicle whilst using a mobile phone



Please remember that Oakwood Crescent is a public road. Residents experience a good deal of disruption from Eversley traffic. It would help relations with local residents if parents do not park over residents' driveways. Please also remember the unofficial one-way system in operation in Oakwood Crescent which runs from Chaseville Park Road to Eversley Park Road.