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24th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and enjoying the sunshine!

**Earth Day and The Big Switch Off!**

On Wednesday, we celebrated Earth Day and took part in The Big Switch Off!

The day began with an assembly presented by the Prime Minister (Eli), Deputy Prime Minister (Gabriel), and the Teaching, Learning and Environment Cabinet. The assembly was created by Eli and Gabriel, who spoke about why Earth Day is so important. They also explained that, at the end of the day, our school would join together with others across the Trust to take part in The Big Switch Off. Please see the PowerPoint that they created attached.

They told everyone that, at the sound of the alarm at 2 o'clock, all electrical items had to be turned off for one hour. As it was such a lovely day, many classes decided to take their learning outside.

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Year 2 Wren Class visited Oakwood Park to take part in litter picking. They joined an event organised by the Friends of Oakwood Park and enjoyed it so much that they asked if they could help again!

In the afternoon, the Sports Leaders and the Sports and Well-being Cabinet organised a skipping challenge across the school. All of the children from Reception to Year 6 came out together, in their year groups, to take part. The Sports Leaders and cabinet members acted as judges and selected one child per year group to go through to the final.

I was so impressed to see how skilled both the children and staff were at skipping! Some of the older children even created their own routines.

When I counted the votes, we had a tie in Years 3, 5 and 6, so we have additional children going through to the final.

On Wednesday 29th April, during whole school assembly, the finalists will go head-to-head and the whole school will vote using their ballot papers.

Well done to everyone who took part—you were all amazing!

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**Skipping Challenge Finalists**

| Year Group | Winner |
|---|---|
| Reception | Sofiane |
| Year 1 | George |
| Year 2 | Tara |
| Year 3 | Ayla & Yann |
| Year 4 | Sare |
| Year 5 | Harlie & Esma |
| Year 6 | Sophia B, Dania & Kann |

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Samantha Williams
Headteacher

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**Weather Request**

Dear parents & carers,

Since the UV radiation is getting higher and higher, and hotter and hotter we wanted to let you know what you can do.

We will let your children bring in hats,sunglasses, fans and sunscreen. You can only wear sunglasses and hats OUTSIDE  NOT INSIDE.

Please put names on their essentials so they don't get lost.

Keep your children safe in the sun .

Thank you for reading this letter.

WRITTEN BY: Sarya Omar, Ava Demirkaya and Alexandra Georgou

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**Forest School News**

We couldn't have asked for better weather to kick off the first week of summer forest school! The sunshine made all the difference, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed spending time outdoors.

Year 4 had a lively morning making shakers out of paper tubes, filling them with either chickpeas, red kidney beans, or rice. Once the tubes were sealed, the children eagerly shook them and tried to guess what was inside based on the different sounds each ingredient made—it was a brilliant way to combine creativity and curiosity, and the group had a fantastic time.

In the afternoon, we marked Earth Day with the "Big Switch Off," taking a moment to discuss how we can be kinder to our environment. The children came up with some thoughtful ideas, and it was lovely to see them so engaged.

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Our Year 1s had an exciting session searching for minibeasts around the site. They found an impressive variety, including slugs, caterpillars, bees, butterflies, woodlice, ants, and centipedes. It was a wonderful start to their forest school experience and set the tone for the weeks ahead.

Looking forward to more adventures in the forest with everyone!

Susan and Anna - Forest School

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# Superstars

**Congratulations to our Superstars**

| Superstars | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Swallow | Matteo | 4 Beech | Oliver |
| 2 Starling | Anoushka | 5 Birch | Baris |
| 2 Wren | Athanasios | 5 Maple | Ollie |
| 3 Elder | David | | |
| 3 Oak | Saskia | | |

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**Well done to the pupils that received a Thank You Certificate for making Eversley a better place by demonstrating one of our Eversley Values**

| Thank You Certificates | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Owl | Alex | & | Hanna | 3 Elder | Edvin | & | Valentina |
| 1 Robin | Alexis | & | Lukas | 3 Oak | Rik | & | Sophia |
| 1 Swallow | Alexander | & | Oscar | 5 Maple | Evie | & | Nefes |
| 2 Dove | Amelia | & | Kiyan | 5 Sycamore | Niko | & | Nithin |
| 2 Starling | Kaltrina | & | Kuzey | | | | |
| 2 Wren | Aria | & | Jayan | | | | |

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## Birthday Book Donations

**We would like to wish**

Kaan (Hazel)

**a very Happy Birthday and thank you for donating a birthday book to your class**

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*Our value for the month of April is* **Fairness**

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## Attendance

One of the areas the school is working hard to improve is the attendance of children at Eversley Primary School. The United Nation Convention on the rights of the child entitles them to a Right to Education (Article 28). Children missing vital learning reduces their chances of success. Please help us to continue the upward trend by ensuring your child comes to school every day and on time.

**The overall school attendance to date is 95.9%**

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# Dates for your Diary 2025-2026

| Summer Term | Time | Event |
|---|---|---|
| **Please remember to book your child's school meals before returning to school** | | |
| Monday 27th April | | Sycamore Class Trip to the Tate Gallery |
| Monday 27th April | 3.30pm-6.00pm | Starling Class Parent Consultations |
| Wednesday 29th April | 3.30pm-6.00pm | Starling Class Parent Consultations |
| Thursday 30th April | | Reception Classes - Teach Rex Visit in School |
| Friday 1st May | | Inset Day 4 - School Closed to Children |
| Monday 4th May | | May Bank Holiday - School Closed to Children |
| Tuesday 5th May | | Birch Class Trip to the Tate Gallery |
| Thursday 7th May | | Local Elections - School Closed to Children |
| Friday 8th May | | Maple Class Trip to the Tate Gallery |
| Tuesday 19th May | | Class & Sports Team Photography |
| Thursday 21st May | | Class & Sports Team Photography |
| Friday 22nd May | | Break for Half Term at Usual Time |
| Monday 25th - Friday 29th May | | Summer Half Term - School Closed |
| **Please remember to book your child's school meals before returning to school** | | |
| Monday 1st June | | Inset Day 5 - School Closed to Children |
| **Tuesday 2nd June** | | **Return to School** |
| Thursday 4th June | | Year 1 Trip to the RAF Museum |
| Monday 8th - Friday 12th June | | Year 6 Residential Trip to Manor Adventure |
| w/c Monday 15th June | | Sports Week |
| Tuesday 16th June | | Year 3 Trip to Celtic Harmony |
| Tuesday 7th July | | Reception Visit to Hertfordshire Zoo |
| Tuesday 7th July | 6.30pm | Year 6 Production to Parents |
| Wednesday 8th July | 6.30pm | Year 6 Production to Parents |
| Thursday 9th & Friday 10th July | | Year 4 Residential Trip to Phasels Wood Activity Centre |
| Friday 10th July | 5.30pm-8.30pm | Year 6 Leavers Party |
| Wednesday 15th July | 9.00am | Year 6 Leavers Assembly to Parents |
| Friday 17th July | | Break for Summer Holidays at **1.30pm** |
| Monday 20th July | | Inset Day 6 - School Closed to Children |

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