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Friday 4th November 2022

Our Value this Half Term: Love Yourself

Dear Essendon Families,

Important Dates

We are starting this week's newsletter with some important dates and invitations:

Friday 11th November at 2:30pm in school.

This will be our Remembrance Day Collective Worship, parents are invited. Poppies are on sale in school now so please bring in your donations.



Monday 14th November

We will be wearing odd socks for the launch of Anti-Bullying Week.



Friday 18th November

It's Children in Need so it is spotty non-uniform day at Essendon, you can wear weekend clothes, no football strips or costumes. Bring a pound for a cake from the cake sale.



Friday 18th November at 2:30pm

All parents are invited to our Anti-Bullying Assembly and our Open Classrooms, come and look at some of the work we have been doing.

Phonics and Early Reading Workshop

Pantherswood parents and Homewood parents are invited to our phonics and early reading workshop on Tuesday 8th November at 3:30pm. Come along and see how we teach reading.

Music Assembly

Thurs 8th Dec at 2:30pm Harefield will be playing ukuleles and glockenspiels and some of Mr Hampshire's students will be playing their instruments.

Coffee and Chat Afternoon – All welcome

You are invited to our Pastoral Coffee Afternoon, on Friday 9th December at 2pm. We will be focusing on sleep and sleep issues for children, strategies and solutions. Come along for a chat, a coffee and mince pie. Mrs Todd, SENCo, and Mrs Cawthra, Pastoral Lead would love to meet you and talk about sleep or any other concerns.

Black History Month – Homewood



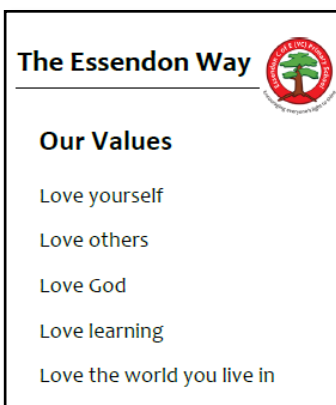
Homewood read Floella Benjamin's book about coming to England from Trinidad when she was ten years old. It was not all that she had expected and her story explores what happened.

Applications for Reception Class 2023

Applications are now open for Pantherswood, Reception Class places for September 2023. Please let parents of this age group know that they can come along and visit Pantherswood and the School.

Collective Worship

We have been celebrating our Value for this term – Love Yourself. By knowing and loving ourselves; all our smooth corners and all our rough corners, we can be a better friend to others. We have asked God to help us with this.



Flu and Covid immunisation

Children are eligible for flu virus and COVID-19 booster vaccines – click on this link to find out what you need to know:

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/10/25/children-are-eligible-for-flu-virus-and-covid-19-booster-vaccines-heres-what-you-need-to-know/>

Flu protection is offered through school and covid protection is offered through walk-in centres and your GP, click on the link to find out more. Remember immunisation protects your child and the people around them.

Outdoor Shoes

Please can everyone have a pair of outdoor shoes or wellington boots in school. Only those with outdoor shoes will play on the grassy areas when it is wet, this will include footballers.

Did you know that school meals are free for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2?

Our school meals are delicious and they are free to children in Pantherswood (Reception only) and Homewood. Have a look at the attached menu and see what a range of meals we have on offer. All children in every class can order a meal on the day and make their own choice.

Please talk to your child about what's on offer each day before they come into school.

Check for new dates and events

Tues 8th Nov 3:30pm Phonics Workshop

Fri 11th Nov – Remembrance Assembly 2:30pm parents welcome

14th to 18th Nov – Anti-bullying Week

Fri 18th Nov – Children in Need – cake sale and 2:30pm Anti-Bullying assembly, followed by open classrooms, parents welcome

Thurs 8th Dec – Music Assembly 2:30pm

Fri 9th Dec 2pm Coffee Afternoon - Pastoral

Thurs 15th Dec 2pm Pantherswood and Homewood Nativity in the Hall for parents.

Mon 19th Dec Skipping morning with Dan the Skipping Man

Mon 19th Dec 2:15pm Christmas Carol Service at the Church – whole school and parents

Tues 20th Dec - Last day of term – 1:15pm

And finally ...

Enjoy your November 5th celebrations, stay safe and have a lovely weekend, **from Ms**

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A recruitment poster for Essendon C of E Primary School. The poster has a white background with a large red shape at the bottom. At the top left is the school logo, a tree in a circle, with the text 'Essendon C of E Primary School' and 'Encouraging everyone's light to shine'. The main text reads 'Are you applying for a Reception Class place in September?' followed by 'Come and visit us at Essendon C of E Primary School' and 'A small school with a big heart'. On the right is a circular photo of children sitting around a table. At the bottom left is the Ofsted logo and the text 'Visit our website at www.essendon.herts.sch.uk'. At the bottom right is a dark red circle with the text 'Give us a call or send an email and come and have a look round our school' and 'We would love to meet you' followed by contact details: 'admin@essendon.herts.sch.uk', '01707 261209', 'School Lane, Essendon', 'AL9 6HD'.

Team Points are awarded for following The Essendon Way.

Well done for 50 Team Points to: Albie D, Sam, Hollie, Ralph, Ollie and Maisie.

Headteachers Awards are for outstanding effort in the classroom. Well done to: Penny and Maisie.



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**WINTER/
SPRING
2022/23**

PUPILS' CHOICE EXTRA MENU

WEEK ONE

Served Week Commencing:
 • 2022: 31 October, 21 November, 12 December • 2023: 5 January, 23 January, 20 February, 13 March

<p>MONDAY</p> <p>BBQ Dusted Chicken with Rice Italian Pasta Bake (Ve) with Crusty Bread</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Cheese Baguette (V) Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>Mediterranean Roll with Potato Wedges (Ve) Macaroni Cheese (V) with Garlic Bread</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Egg Roll (V) Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing Sausages in Yorkshire Pudding (V) with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Chicken Mayo Wrap Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>THURSDAY</p> <p>Cottage Pie Quorn Burger in a Bun (V) with Diced Potatoes</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Ham Roll Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>FRIDAY</p> <p>Battered Fish Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) with Oven Chips or Pasta</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Tuna Sandwich Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>
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WEEK TWO

Served Week Commencing: • 2022: 7 November, 28 November, 19 December • 2023: 9 January, 30 January, 27 February, 20 March

<p>MONDAY</p> <p>Pork Sausages in Gravy with Creamed Potatoes Cheese & Veg Pasties with Diced Potatoes (V)</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Tuna Sandwich Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>Chicken Pie with Herby Potatoes Mild Vegetable Curry (Ve) with Rice</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Ham Roll Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding Lentil Roast (V) with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Chicken Mayo Wrap Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>THURSDAY</p> <p>Quorn Hot Dog (V) Roasted Vegetable Lasagne (V) with Garlic Bread with Potato Wedges or Pasta</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Cheese Baguette (V) Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>FRIDAY</p> <p>Crispy Coated Salmon Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) with Oven Chips or Pasta</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Egg Roll (V) Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>
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WEEK THREE

Served Week Commencing: • 2022: 14 November, 5 December • 2023: 16 January, 6 February, 6 March, 27 March

<p>MONDAY</p> <p>Vegballs in Homemade Tomato Sauce (Ve) with Pasta Cheese Pinwheel (V) with Diced Potatoes</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Egg Roll (V) Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>Mild Chicken Curry with Rice Omelette, Grilled Tomatoes and Baked Beans (V) with Potato Wedges</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Ham Roll Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>Roast Pork with Sage and Onion Stuffing Tomato Bolognese (Ve) with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Cheese Baguette (V) Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>THURSDAY</p> <p>Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges Cheese, Potato and Broccoli Bake (V)</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Chicken Mayo Wrap Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>	<p>FRIDAY</p> <p>Fish Fillet Fingers Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) with Oven Chips or Pasta</p> <p>CHILLED OPTION: Tuna Sandwich Jacket Potato with various toppings</p>
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Freshly baked bread, seasonal vegetables and bowl salads are available separately when on the menu • All our milk is organic - fresh from the dairy (V) = Vegetarian (Ve) = Vegan

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WRAP AROUND CARE AT ESSENDON PRIMARY

Before & After School Clubs

Breakfast Club* from 7.30am
After School Club until 4.30pm
Extended Care Club* until 6pm

*Food also provided



After School Clubs Autumn Term
Nov-Dec 2022

- Monday: Multi-Sports
- Tuesday: Arts and Crafts Creative Club
- Wednesday: Football Fun
- Thursday: Cooking Club
- Friday: Performing Arts Club



Open to children aged reception to year 6

Pricing: per day:
Breakfast Club £6
After School Club £5.50
Extended After School £12

To book please go online or call our team on:

 01462 351582

multi-active.co.uk





Essendon C of E (VC) Primary School

Term Dates 2022/2023

Autumn Term - 2022

Thursday 1st September 2022 – **INSET Day**

Friday 2nd September 2022 – Start of term for pupils

Friday 21st October – **INSET Day**

Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October – Half Term

Tuesday 20th December – End of Term 1:15pm

Spring Term - 2023

Thursday 5th January 2023 – Start of term for all

Monday 13th to Friday 17th February - Half Term

Monday 20th February - **INSET Day**

Friday 31st March – End of Term – 1:15pm

Summer Term - 2023

Monday 17th April 2023 – **INSET Day**

Tuesday 18th April – Start of term for pupils

Monday 1st May – Spring Bank Holiday

Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June – Half Term

Friday 16th June – **INSET Day**

Thursday 13th July – Transition Day

Friday 21st July - End of Term – 1:15pm

Term Dates for 2023/2024 are on our website