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Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Our Value This Half Term: Love Others

Dear Essendon Families,  
**Love Others – Good Manners And Politeness**



How can we show our Value, Love Others, in our everyday lives? We can show our love for others by having good manners and by being polite. It starts with a please or a thank you, standing aside at a door to let someone through, a simple smile or a hello. Then it can be showing that we are doing what has been asked of us by an adult. We look, we listen, then we act on what the adult has asked us to do. And loving others is certainly by being polite and kind to everyone at school. Good manners cost nothing and good manners and politeness are an everyday demonstration of love for others and it starts at Essendon Primary School.

**Cookery Club**



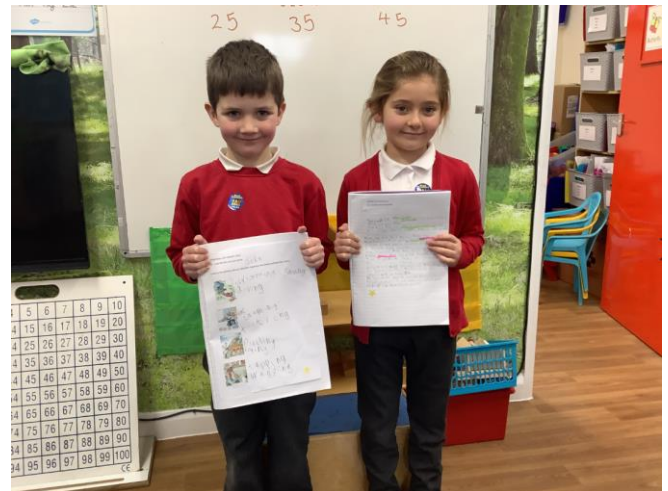
After School Club had lots of fun making apple and cream heart shaped turnovers.

**A Visit From The Police**



How exciting to have the police and their police car visit Pantherswood to talk about the jobs they do for our community.

**Headteachers Award**



Well done to John and Savannah for fantastic writing, using verbs and adverbs to make their writing so interesting.

**Brand New Fencing – Thank You!**

Thank you so much to the Friends of Essendon for helping us match fund the new fence that is going around our Woodland Area and Outdoor Classroom. The FOEs have gifted us over £4,000 towards the fencing and it is looking very smart indeed. There is lots of hardwork behind the scenes from the FOES so a massive thank you to Tippy, Lenka, Hazel, Jenny, Rick, Vicky, Amy, Emma, Kim, Mary, Ria, Sarra and Adam.

### Dates For Your Diary

**24<sup>th</sup> January** for 6 days – our Woodland Area is being refenced so please stay out of the woods.

**5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Feel Good Week

**Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Safer Internet Day

**Tues 13<sup>th</sup> February** – Shrove Tuesday/Lent

**19<sup>th</sup> Feb to 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb** – Half Term

**Tues 19<sup>th</sup> March** Parent/Teacher Consultations

**Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> March** Parent/Teacher Consultations

**Tue 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2:15pm** – Easter Service at the Church, all welcome.

**Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> March 1:15pm** – End of Term and Easter Egg Hunt with parents after school.

### And Finally ...

Today is the launch of the 2024 challenge! Can you, your family or your friends raise £20.24 for the school?

You could do odd jobs at home, you could ask for sponsorship for a bike ride or a walk.

Have a think about the best ways to raise money for the school and see if you can hit the £20.24 mark. Share your idea and maybe we can raise lots of £20.24s for the school!



**Have a great weekend from Ms Canham**

### Your Weekend Times Table Challenge

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**FRIENDS OF  
ESSENDON SCHOOL  
CHALLENGES YOU!**

**WE  
NEED  
YOU!**

**CHALLENGE  
2024**

**RAISE £20.24 BY  
FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY**

**IDEAS COULD INCLUDE:  
SPONSORED-  
RUN/WALK/SWIM/SILENCE  
SELLING OLD TOYS/BOOKS  
CAKE SALE  
ART WORK SALE**

**BEST IDEAS WILL BE  
SHARED BY MS CANHAM  
IN ASSEMBLY!**

**WE'RE CHALLENGING ALL  
CHILDREN TO RAISE  
MONEY FOR THE SCHOOL TO  
KICKSTART THE  
FUNDRAISING FOR 2024!**

**PLEASE HAND ALL FUNDS IN AN ENVELOPE WITH YOUR  
NAME TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY**

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**early help, brighter futures**

## Need advice and support for your family?

-  Relationship support
-  Parenting Advice & Courses
-  Emotional & Mental Health
-  Staying healthy
-  School attendance/anxiety
-  Money advice
-  Services for Young People
-  SEND Local Offer
-  Search local services
-  and much more



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## Essendon C of E (VC) Primary School

### **Term Dates: 2023/2024**

#### **Autumn Term - 2023**

Friday 1st September – **INSET Day** – staff only

Monday 4th September – Start of term for pupils – 8:40am doors open, doors close at 8:50am

Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October – Half Term

Wednesday 20th December – End of Term - 1:15pm

#### **Spring Term - 2024**

Thursday 4th January – **Occasional Day** – School Closed

Friday 5th January – **INSET Day** – staff only

Monday 8th January – Start of term for pupils

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd February - Half Term

Thursday 28th March - End of Term – 1:15pm

#### **Summer Term - 2024**

Monday 15th April – **INSET Day** – staff only

Tuesday 16th April – Start of term for pupils

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday

Monday 27th to Friday 31st May – Half Term

Thursday 11th July – Year 6 Secondary School Transition Day

Friday 19th July – End of term - 1:15pm

Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July – **INSET Days** – staff only