



Friday 5th July 2024

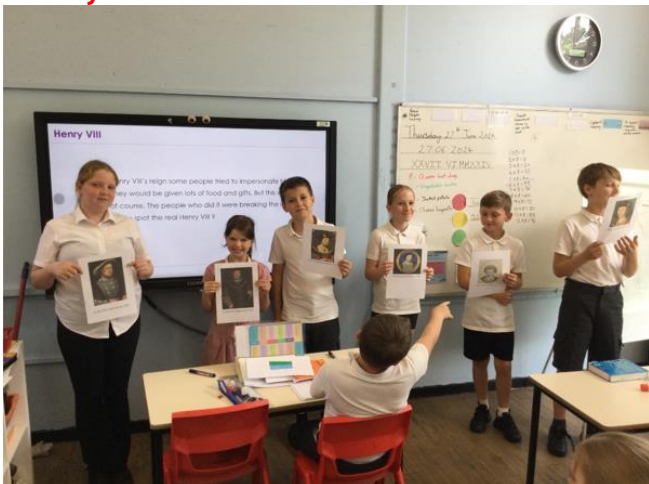
Our Value This Half Term: Love The World You Live In

Dear Essendon Families,
Sports Day - Go Team Essendon!



Thank you to all our parents and carers for coming to support our Sports Day this week. It was a great celebration of field events and track events and everyone competed so well and displayed great sportsmanship. Well done to Blue Team for winning overall and well done to everyone for being part of Team Essendon!

History Detectives



In history, Harefield were asked if they could spot the true portrait of Henry VIII out of a selection of imposters. Adelaide correctly spotted that they were all in fact portraits of the Tudor monarch, just painted at different stages of his life!

Cookery Club



After School Cookery Club made delicious Eton Mess, strawberries, cream and meringues. The recipe is on this newsletter, have a go at home.

Design And Build



Harefield designed and built model play ground equipment in Design and Technology.

Diary Dates

- w/c Mon 8th July – Bikeability – Y6
- Thurs 11th July – Transition Day for all year groups and Y6 to secondary school
- Thurs 11th July – Open Classrooms – all welcome,
- Fri 12th July – End of year reports
- Mon 15th July – Harefield to Young Mariners
- Thurs 18th July – 2:15pm Thanksgiving Church Service, all parents/carers welcome
- Fri 19th July – 11am Y6 Leavers Assembly, Y6 parents welcome. Y6 leave at 12pm.
- All other pupils leave at 1:15pm.**
- Tues 3rd September – Back to school

Summer Reading Challenge



Get ready for a summer of imagination and creativity at your local Hertfordshire Library! The Marvellous Makers Summer Reading Challenge is here to spark the joy of reading and we're celebrating creativity and storytelling for our young readers. This year's Challenge is an open invitation for children to explore books and stories, while taking part in free activities. From poetry and music to arts and crafts, there's something for every young creator. The Challenge begins at all Hertfordshire Libraries from Saturday 6 July, and continues until Saturday 7 September. Children are encouraged to read six library books and collect exclusive stickers along the way. And that's not all—finishers of the Challenge will receive a medal and certificate, and a chance to win tickets to

an interactive poetry workshop with the celebrated poet, Joshua Seigal. Keep an eye out for pop-up Maker Stations at select libraries during the summer holidays, offering simple, engaging, and free activities designed to unleash the creative spirit in every child. Curious to learn more? Visit:

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/SummerReadingChallenge for all the details on the Challenge.

Open Classrooms

We will be opening our classrooms to parents and carers on Thursday 11th July at 3:20pm, after we have dismissed the children, please come along and visit all our classes and see what we've been learning it would be lovely to see everyone.

Staffing For Next Year

Harefield: Teacher = Miss Raw

TA = Mrs Morton

Warrenwood: Teachers = Mrs Hall (M,T,W) & Mrs Terrell (Th, F)

TA = Mrs Kersey

Homewood: Teachers = Mrs Jones (M-Th) & Mrs Yiakoumi (F)

TAs = Miss Sharman and Mr Lincoln

Pantherswood: Teacher = Miss Griffiths

TAs = Miss Holding, Miss Hodgson, Mrs Bines

Have a lovely weekend, from Ms Canham

Eton Mess



Ingredients

6 meringues or 18 mini-meringues

450g strawberries

2 tbsp caster sugar

570ml double cream

Serves 6

Method

1. Wash the strawberries, carefully hull them and cut them into thick slices (small ones can be halved). Sprinkle them with the sugar and chill for 2 hours.
2. Whip the cream until it forms soft peaks.
3. Place the meringues in a plastic food bag and crush them with a rolling pin. (Try to not reduce them to dust – you want a mixture of small pieces and large chunky ones.)
4. Gently fold the chilled strawberries and their juices into the cream along with the crushed meringue.
5. Spoon the Eton mess into individual bowls and serve.



Telephone/Zoom Surgery

Tues 9/07/2024 09:30 - 11:30

* A chance to discuss your concerns with one of our
School Family Workers

* 15 minute time-slot allocated

Please go to this link to book:

<https://forms.office.com/e/iargRQ2D0n>

or click on the QR code on this page



SCHOOL SUMMER HOLIDAY PHONE-LINE

- Monday 29th July to Friday 23rd August 2024 -
- 10am - 2pm -

*Please note the phone-number to call if you need help
from our School Family Worker team:*

Day	School Family Worker
Monday	Kelly - 07984578408
Tuesday	Lindsey - 07398096858
Wednesday	Oyin - 07535704255
Thursday	Cheryl - 07535704247
Friday	Sarah - 07584018053



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ADHD and Autism Live Chat

The Toolbox's Live Chat supports children and young people with autism and ADHD (diagnosed or not), providing a safe space to discuss their feelings and concerns.



Use The Chat To Talk About:

- your feelings and emotions,
- understanding your autism/ADHD,
- building and maintaining relationships,
- available services and resources in Hertfordshire



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Essendon C of E Primary School



Term Dates: 2023/2024

Summer Term - 2024

Monday 15th April – **INSET Day** – staff only
Tuesday 16th April – Start of term for pupils – 8:40am
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

Term Dates: 2024/2025

Autumn Term – 2024

Monday 2nd September – **INSET Day** – staff only
Tuesday 3rd September – Start of term for pupils – 8:40am
Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November – Half Term
Friday 20th December – End of Term – 1:15pm

Spring Term – 2025

Monday 6th January – **INSET Day** – staff only
Tuesday 7th January – Start of term for pupils – 8:40am
Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February – Half Term
Friday 4th April – End of Term – 1:15pm

Summer Term – 2025

Tuesday 22nd April – Start of term for pupils – 8:40am
Monday 5th May – Bank Holiday
Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May – Half Term
Monday 16th June – **INSET Day** – staff only
Thursday 10th July - Y6 Secondary Transition Day
Friday 18th July – End of Term – 1:15pm
Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd July – **INSET Days** – staff only
Wednesday 23rd July – **Occasional Day** – School Closed