



Edmondsley Primary and Nursery School

Welcome Back

What a great start to the year! Children have settled really well into their new year groups and I have already given out some headteacher's awards for amazing work. Our new Nursery and Reception pupils have had a fantastic week and you would not think this was their first week! I am delighted at how welcome the children, staff, governors and parents have made me feel at Edmondsley Primary School and I am really looking forward to the year ahead.

Congratulations Mr and Mrs Rees

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Rees gave birth to a beautiful baby girl named Anwen on 1st September. Mother and baby are doing really well and are settling into their new family life! I shared this with the children earlier in the week and they were thrilled with the news.



Message from Mrs Rees.....

Mr Rees and I welcomed our baby girl into our world on Sunday 1st September. I am looking forward to introducing her to everyone at Edmondsley as soon as I've mastered changing her nappies, feeding her, eaten food myself, brushed my teeth, worked out how the pushchair actually works, and of course sung songs and given her lots of cuddles myself!!! Hope you all had a lovely summer. Thank you for the lovely gifts and cards. See you soon. Mrs Rees and Anwen Evelyn (meaning beautiful wished for child) Rees.

Building Work

Work will commence on Monday 9th September to demolish and rebuild the wall and pathway from the bottom gate to the main entrance. Ramp access will also be added. Although this building work will inevitably cause disruption, it is essential for the safety of our whole school community and we ask you to bear with us during this time. The work is estimated to take 8 weeks and the following adjustments to access will be in place during this time:

- The bottom gate will not be able to be used. All children, parents and visitors will need to enter and leave school via the top gate.
- The main entrance will not be in use. If you need to speak to the office staff or give them anything in the morning, Mrs Haswell or Miss Burnip will be outside near the top gate from 8.45-9am. If you need to come to school during the day, you will need to ring the school office from the top gate and office staff will come to meet you. If you need to pick your child from school during the day for an appointment, please arrange this with the office staff.
- The car park will not be in use.

Although we have tried to consider most eventualities, there may be further impact we have not considered so once this work starts we will regularly monitor arrangements and adapt as necessary.

Meet The Teacher Sessions

This is an opportunity for you to informally meet your child's class teacher and for key messages to be shared. It is also an opportunity to have any questions answered and inform us of any necessary details about your child. I have organised the sessions around drop off and pick up times (please see diary dates on this newsletter). Don't worry if you are unable to make a meeting- key messages will be sent home as necessary.

Football League

The Football League begins next week. Year 5 and 6 children will be invited to try outs and a team will be selected - watch this space! I have included dates of the matches this half term in the dates section- it would be lovely to see as many supporters there as possible!



Reading Volunteers



Calling all parents, carers and grandparents! If you have any spare time and would like to volunteer to come into school to listen to children read, we would be very grateful. Don't worry if this is new to you- we'll explain what you need to do. Please tell your child's class teacher or inform the office if you are interested.

Packed Lunch policy

Thank you so much for embracing our new packed lunch policy as part of our Healthy Schools work in school. There have been very few items present that shouldn't have been and if there has been, they have not usually been included the following day. A full copy of this policy is available on our website if you are unsure what to include. Thank you so much for your support with this!

Which Castle achieved the most coins and Jewels this week?

New kings and Queens were crowned during today's Celebration Assembly. The coin and Jewel collections start next week!

New families—All children are split into Castle Teams. Each child receives a coin for their castle worth 2 points and jewels from our lunchtime supervisors—worth 5 points! Kings and Queens count jewels and coins and the winning Castle is announced each Friday during our Celebration Assembly.



Let's Celebrate!

Who has kept our **School Promise** exceptionally well this week?

Polite and Caring, that's what we are.

Best Break time Buddy Award was achieved by Will

Respect and Kindness, takes us far.

Edmondsley's Environmentalist Award was achieved by Bradley

Open and Honest, we don't tell lies

Playful Pupil Award was achieved by Charlie

Manners are important, everyone tries.

Etiquette Award was achieved by Tabitha

I is in united, teamwork's the prize

Terrific Teamwork Award was achieved by Aaron-Kai, Leo and Reece

Strive to be the best we can be,

Supreme Citizen Award was achieved by Mia

Everyone aims high at EDMONDSLEY

Life Long Learner Award was achieved by Shanice



Dates for the Diary - Autumn 1

(this will be updated weekly as new events are added to the calendar)

<u>Date and Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who is involved?</u>
Monday 9 th September 2019	Stag Class Forest School Sessions start	Stag Class
Monday 9 th September 2019- 3.20-4pm	Football Try-outs	Year 5 and 6 pupils
Wednesday 11 th September 2019 - 3.20-4pm	Football training	Football team
Thursday 12 th September 2019 3.30pm	Football League - Game 1 (Home game)	Everyone welcome to support!
Friday 13 th September 2019	Head boy and Head girl announced!	
Monday 16 th September 2019- 9-9.30am	Butterfly Class Meet and Greet	Parents/carers of Reception children
Tuesday 17 th September 2019 9-9.30am	Hedgehog Class Meet and Greet	Parents/carers of Year 1 children
Wednesday 18 th September 2019 9-9.30am	Squirrel Class Meet and Greet	Parents/carers of Year 2 children
Wednesday 18 th September 2019 2.45-3.15pm	Rabbit Class Meet and Greet	Parents/carers of Rabbit class
Thursday 19 th September 2019	NSPCC assemblies (more details to follow)	All children
Thursday 19 th September 2019 2.45-3.15pm	Deer Class Meet and Greet	Parents/carers of Deer class
Thursday 19 th September 2019 3.30pm	Football League - Game 2 (Away game- West Pelton)	Everyone welcome to support!
Friday 20 th September 2019 2.45-3.15pm	Stag Class Meet and Greet	Parents/carers of Stag class
Thursday 26 th September 2019 3.30pm	Football League - Game 3 (Home game)	Everyone welcome to support!
Thursday 3 rd October 2019	NSPCC Workshops	Year 5 and 6 children
Thursday 3 rd October 2019 3.30pm	Football League - Game 4 (Home game)	Everyone welcome to support!
Friday 4 th October 2019	Bikeability (more details to follow)	Year 4 children
Friday 4 th October 2019 2-3pm	NSPCC Parent Workshop - Online Safety	All parents welcome