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At Egerton we aspire to create an inclusive environment where all students and staff can flourish. We strive to nurture curious minds, so that all children leave school as confident, compassionate and globally aware citizens.

24th January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy week here at Egerton with the children finishing off their wonderful artwork, which is connected to our sustainability goals. These are now up around school and are a fabulous showcase of the children's' art skills. We finish today with another bout of extreme weather instead of snow it is now extremely windy. I am hoping that the children get to spend some time outside today, but as there are weather warnings in place, this may not happen. I hope you all have a lovely weekend when it finally arrives.

# **School Improvement Visit**

Our Director of Primary was in all day on Tuesday this week, meeting with subject leaders, speaking to our Y6 children, looking at writing books, behaviour across the school and she also observed Y2, 3, 4 & 6 classes. Her report is exceptionally positive as she saw amazing lessons, exemplary behaviour and the children she spoke to amazed her with their knowledge about writing. As a school, we are thrilled with the report as it shows the hard work from all staff to educate and teach your children each day and the amazing well-behaved children we have here at Egerton- a huge well done to everyone involved!

#### Y5/6 Athletics

Our Y5/6 children represented the school last night at the athletics competition. The children performed brilliantly and were awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> place for their efforts. A huge well done to these children who proudly today were showing off their medals, but also a thank you to Mr Webb and Mrs Healey for escorting the children to the leisure centre.

### **Esther McVey visit**

Next Friday we will be welcoming our local MP, Esther McVey in to our school. She will be spending a few hours in the school, talking to the children and seeing what life is like here at Egerton. I am hoping she brings her outdoor shoes, as I will be taking her in to the outdoor area to show her what our Forest School provision is like.

#### **SEND Offer**

Please see the attached flyer for the SEND market place local offer. There is a drop in organised for families with children with SEND or families who are concerned their child might have SEND needs.

#### Attendance meeting

We had a school attendance meeting on Monday this week, where the attendance officer for Cheshire East discusses any children who have low attendance, the reasons for this and if any other things can be put in to place to improve attendance across the school. As our attendance is very good- we are rag rated as a green school- with overall attendance above 95% across the school. However, one of the areas that the attendance officer did notice was children arriving late in to school and coming through the office doors after the gates have closed. From **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January**, any children arriving late, via the office doors, you will be asked to sign your children in and provide a reason for the lateness. If we see patterns of this, a letter will be sent home along with a print out of your child's attendance record. Even missing just 5/10 minutes a day of learning equates to nearly an hour a week and over a month this is substantial.

Please can parents and carers who arrive late regularly, please make a concerted effort to get in to school before the gates close on the main yard. Thank you for your support in this matter.

# **Attendance winners**

This week's attendance winners are Year 3 with a wonderful 99.9% attendance, in 2<sup>nd</sup> place are Year 6 with 99.0% and in 3<sup>rd</sup> place are Y5 with 98.9%. A huge well done to Year 3 who get this week's extra playtime.

## E-safety

This attached guide breaks down the potential risks posed by health and fitness apps to their younger users, providing advice on how to address these concerns.

Please see the attached flyer for further information.

**Best wishes** 

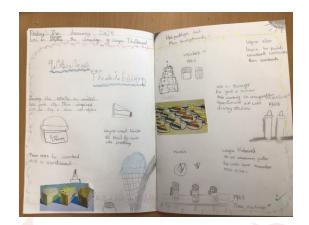
Caroline Lowe

**Head Teacher** 

# Important Diary Dates (new dates in bold \* change of date)

	Spring 2025
Date	Event
31.1.25	Esther McVey visit to school
3.2.25	Y5 safety presentation- Cheshire Fire and Rescue
6.2.25	Y5 Parent's meeting- Pensarn- 3.20pm in the Y5 classroom
13.2.25	PTA Valentine's Disco- more info to follow
14.2.25	School closes for children
24.2.25	School opens for the children
27.2.25	PTA Parent quiz and Fish and Chips
4.4.25	School closes for children
Summer 2025	
22.4.25	School opens for the children
5.5.25	May bank holiday
6.5.25	School opens for the children
21.5.25 or 22.5.25	PTA Film night- Dates to be confirmed
23.5.25	School closes for children
2.6.25	School opens for the children
11.6.25-13.6.25	Y6 Residential to Castleton
13.6.25	Lego workshop Y5
16.6.25	Lego workshop Y6
27.6.25	PTA Summer Fair
11.7.25	Additional inset day 6
18.7.25	School closes for children
21.7.25 & 22.7.25	Inset Days 4 & 5





During their art lessons this week, Year 4 have been exploring the vibrant and unique artwork of Wayne Thiebaud. The children enjoyed studying his pieces and using his style as inspiration to create their own examples. They also discussed their likes and dislikes about his work and shared their research on his distinctive approach to art. Thiebaud specialised in 3D artwork and was famous for painting cakes, which has made Year 4 very excited to create their own delicious-looking masterpieces in the coming weeks!













This morning in Y5, the children have been learning about two key festivals celebrated by Hindus. They explored why both Diwali and Holi are celebrated and how they are celebrated, through identifying key characteristics of the celebration.

This week, Year 2 have finished their division learning in Maths. They enjoyed using the cubes and paper plates to solve their questions and writing down their calculations. Well done Year 2!









This week in Reception, the children enjoyed making rockets as part of our work on space. They decorated them using crepe paper for flames and a cone for the nose and triangle shapes for the wings. We then went outside to see how far we could throw them!







This week in nursery class we continue to learn all about the winter season, and we finished our keeping warm freeze and have now been looking at winter in our garden and getting ready for our big bird watch.

We worked together to create our winter tree frieze for the playroom wall, and the children drew and painted different species of birds for the tree, also making 3D birds out of old cd's and paper fans. Then we made a start on making our very own bird hide in the tree house, and are looking forward to twitching, where the children will search for birds using binoculars. Hopefully, the bird cakes will encourage the birds into not only our garden but at home too.

This week we have learned so much about the different types of birds and the difficulties they have finding food in the hard cold ground. We have learnt the "two little dickie birds" rhyme, making the bird puppets and looking at pairs and the number 1 and 2. In addition to this, we have been looking at our initial letter in our name, writing, and decorating these with cold colours and collage materials.