# Evington Valley Primary School Caring and Learning Together



### Newsletter

### Spring Term 2018



Happy new year to all our families!! The Spring term is well under way and, despite it only being a 10 week term, there is still lots going on in school! Check the diary dates for forthcoming events.

Thank you so much to all of our families for supporting the fundraising event on Monday 18th December.

We raised an incredible £1.101 for Rainbows and the cheque was presented to staff from the hospice in an assembly last week. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Crossing Patrol**

Temporary position available at Evington Valley Primary School.

Evington Valley Rd / Evington Drive Monday to Friday 8:05am - 8:55am & 2:55pm -3:50pm

Permanent positions available at other locations including Medway Primary School, Spinney Hill Primary School, Whitehall Primary School, St Barnabas Primary School & Coleman Primary School

Apply online to Leicester City Council at www.leicester.gov.uk/jobs

For further details please contact Michael Bridge on 0116 454 6202

### **BOOK WEEK**

This year, Book Week will take place from Monday 19th February—Friday 23rd February. taking place during the week including sessions when parents will be invited into school to read with their children

There will also be a book fair in the Drama Hall on Wednesday 21st

Watch out for more details nearer the time.

There will be lots of exciting events

February.

### SAFETY NOTICE You may have noticed the new

signage outside school advising that it is now illegal to stop or park on the yellow zigzags. Despite this, there are still parents who are leaving their cars on the zigzags. The markings are there for a reason and that is to ensure the safety of our pupils. Please avoid stopping on the zigzags!! Thank you.

### January 2018



#### What's happening this term?

#### **Educational Visits & Events**

Book Week—week commencing 19th February

Roving Book Fair—Wednesday 21st February

F2 Swithland Woods Trip— Tuesday 27th February

FS Science Week-week commencing 12th March

Parents Evening—Tuesday 20th February (3.30pm—5pm) and Thursday 22nd February (3.30pm-7pm)

February half term week-Monday 12th February—Friday 16th February

Easter holidays—Monday 26th March—Friday 6th April

Monday 9th April—8.45am School opens for the Summer term

Please see the school website for all term dates.

#### **SCHOOL MILK**

A reminder that parents of children over five years will need to register with Cool Milk if they wish their child to have milk in school each day. Either pick up and complete a leaflet, or register at www.coolmilk.com. If you have any queries, please ring Cool Milk on 0844 8542913 or speak to Mrs Amjed in the school office.

#### EVINGTON VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Evington Valley Road - Leicester LE5 5LL

# Attendance & Punctuality Attendance Target—96%

#### **Current Attendance Rates**

| UKS2 | Dec %    | Aug to<br>Dec%       | LKS2       | Dec % | Aug to<br>Dec%           |
|------|----------|----------------------|------------|-------|--------------------------|
| ZA   | 95.5%    | <b>95.5%</b> (96.8%) | sv         | 91.5% | 93.5%<br>(94.6%)         |
| AM   | 90.5%    | <b>95.1%</b> (96.2%) | JS         | 94.9% | 96.6%<br>(97.7%)         |
| LF   | 95.8%    | 95.8%<br>(96.9%)     | TT         | 95.8% | <b>94.7</b> % (95.9%)    |
| KS1  | Dec %    | Aug to<br>Dec%       | FS         | Dec % | Aug to<br>Dec%           |
| NM   | 92%      | 93.8%<br>(95%)       | LI         | 89.1% | <b>89%</b><br>(90%)      |
| DC   | 95.2%    | 95.5%<br>(96.6%)     | RW         | 91.5% | 92.8%<br>(94%)           |
| FC   | 90.9%    | 94.2%<br>(95.3%)     | MP / am    | 93.9% | <b>88.8</b> %<br>(89.5%) |
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Dec Whole School—93%

**On-going Whole School— 94.2%** (95.3%)

On-going Whole School excl. F1 -94.4% (95.5%)

(The ongoing attendance data in brackets shows what would happen if religious observance was included in the attendance data)

At the end of Autumn 2, 136 children had achieved 100% attendance. Of those, 113 children were also punctual 100% of the time—congratulations to all pupils who received an attendance certificate—Keep it up!

## **TESCO** Bags of Help

We are delighted to inform you that we have again been successful in our bid to the Tesco Bags of Help grant scheme. This year we are looking to develop the school's new Sensory Room.

Our project, along with the other two successful projects in our region, has gone forward to a vote in Tesco stores. Customers can decide the outcome by voting for their favourite project each time they shop. Voting will take place in January and February 2018 and we will be notified later in the year confirming the amount of funding we will receive. The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive up to £4,000, the second placed project up to £2,000 and the third placed project £1,000.

You can vote for our project at the following Tesco stores:

| HAMILTON EXTRA        | LE5 1BJ |
|-----------------------|---------|
| ABERDALE ROAD EXPRESS | LE2 6GB |
| GRANBY STREET EXPRESS | LE1 6FB |
| HUMBERSTONE EXPRESS   | LE4 9JP |
| BELGRAVE GATE EXPRESS | LE1 3HP |
| WELFORD HOUSE EXPRESS | LE1 6ZH |
| MELTON ROAD EXPRESS   | LE4 6PN |
| EVINGTON METRO        | LE5 5NA |

Thank you for your support!

#### **GOVERNOR INTERVIEW**

Each month we will be asking one of the School Governors to tell us a little about themselves so that parents can learn a bit more about the Governing Body. This month it's Anisha Panchbhaya

Type of Governor: I am a Parent Governor

How long have you been a Governor at EVPS? Since July 2017



What made you want to become a Governor at EVPS? Due to being on leave from my job at a local Children's Centre after having my fourth child, I was in a position to dedicate myself to the role of Parent Governor by using my experience, skills and, most importantly, my desire for all children to have the opportunities to be the best they can and achieve their goals. I felt that I could achieve this by supporting EVPS as a Parent Governor to maintain its high standards, commit to the school's vision and ethos and improve education for all pupils.

What work have you done with the school / children during your time as a Governor at EVPS? I attend regular meetings with the Governing Body. I also carry out regular visits during the school term for sessions such as listening to children read and review this in order for the children to progress positively. I will soon be attending various training sessions for Governors.

What do you think the school has improved during your time as a Governor at EVPS? A recent highlight for me as a Governor has been the Ofsted inspection carried out in September! In comparison with the previous inspection, it is evident that EVPS has been proactively addressing the needs and implementing structures on areas requiring improvement. An example is, EVPS introduced a strategy for pupils to work together as 'learning partners', which develops pupils' independence and determination to work things out themselves.

EVPS is a wonderful school and my role has given me an insight on the dedication and hard work carried out by Mrs Griffin, Staff members, the Governing Body, Pupils and not forgetting the support of the Parents.