



# Ernesettle Community School Newsletter

## November 2019

## Together We Learn

...always striving to be outstanding, transforming the aspirations of a community.

Welcome to the November newsletter. All the children and staff at Ernesettle Community School are looking forward to the next few weeks leading up to Christmas. This year, there will be show-stopping performances, a delicious Christmas lunch, Senior Citizens event and of course, not forgetting, our annual Christmas Raffle! We can't wait! Just to inform you that despite the General Election taking place, **the school is open as normal on Thursday 12th December**. A detailed plan has been put in place to ensure that the day runs safely and smoothly; staff will be on duty throughout the school day to ensure that any visitors to the site are only able to access the former Children's Centre room to cast their votes. In addition, you will notice fencing, signage and taped off areas in the morning, some of which will be moved into position once you have dropped your children off. This fencing will also be removed for you to collect your children at the end of the day. We are very pleased that we are not disrupting the education of the children, whilst also removing the inconvenience of you having to find childcare on such days. Should you notice any issues or have any questions on arrival on this day, please do not hesitate to speak to one of the team.

We are looking forward to seeing you in the coming weeks for all of the Christmas events, details of how to book your performance tickets are overleaf.

Best Wishes,  
Mrs. A Pearce

### Breakfast Club & After School Club

Breakfast Club & After School Club continue to be available five days a week providing childcare from **7.30am** until **6.00pm**.

Please contact the school office for further details.

**BREAKFAST CLUB AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB HOURS HAVE BEEN INCREASED FURTHER TO SUPPORT WORKING PARENTS/CARERS AND ENABLE THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE CURRENTLY SEEKING EMPLOYMENT TO HAVE FAR MORE FLEXIBILITY WHEN LOOKING FOR JOBS OR TRAINING.**

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING SYSTEM

After School Club now operates a booking system via ParentPay, please contact the school office or Aly Mallett, the Extended Schools Club Supervisor should you require any further details.

**Some families may be able to claim the cost of these clubs back through Tax Credits.**

**Breakfast Club costs £2 per day with After School Club costing £2 for 3.15pm-4.30pm and £5 for 3.15pm – 6.00pm.**

### ParentPay

Can you please ensure that Breakfast Club and After School Club bookings are paid for and booked in advance through ParentPay.



FOR NEWS & FORTHCOMING  
EVENTS PLEASE VISIT:

[www.facebook.com/ernesettlecommunityschool](http://www.facebook.com/ernesettlecommunityschool)

### Term Dates 2019-2020 for Pupils

Term 2	
Last day of school:	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2019
Term 3	
First day of school:	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2020
Last day of school:	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Term 4	
First day of school:	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Last day of school:	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
Term 5	
First day of school:	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
Last day of school:	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020
Bank Holiday/s:	Mondays 13 <sup>th</sup> April & Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Term 6	
First day of school:	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2020
Last day of school:	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2020

**Please ensure you book any holidays outside of term time, as we cannot authorise any holidays during the school year.**

### Term Dates 2020-2021 for Pupils

Term 1	
First day of school:	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2020
Last day of school:	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2020
Term 2	
First day of school:	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2020
Last day of school:	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2020
Term 3	
First day of school:	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Last day of school:	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2021
Term 4	
First day of school:	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021
Last day of school:	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2021
Term 5	
First day of school:	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
Last day of school:	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
Bank Holiday:	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021
Term 6	
First day of school:	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2021
Last day of school:	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2021

## Christmas Performances & Events 2019

We are very much looking forward to seeing you at this year's performances. Due to fire regulations we have to limit the number of tickets to a maximum of 4 per family because of seating arrangements. We would be grateful if you only book the number of tickets that you require to ensure that everyone can be catered for. We realise it can be difficult, but please only bring young children to the day time performances and not to any evening ones. We will continue to use our online booking system:

[www.schoolinterviews.co.uk](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk)

Please visit the website, click on 'Make a Booking' and then enter the relevant code below:

Reception Event Code: **m8ju7** Christmas is a 'Clause' for Celebration

Year 1/2 Event Code: **qw9ra** It's a...Nativity

Year 3/4 Event Code: **45y25** Gimmie, Gimmie, Gimmie!

Year 5/6 Event Code: **3bays** A Great British Christmas

## Governor Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

Time for another newsletter...and Ernesettle has been as busy as ever – even with the mid-term break! On a recent visit to the school I was very impressed with several things – the atmosphere of calm and intensive learning and enjoyment, the behaviour and manners of the children and the fantastic poppy display. As ever, Facebook keeps everyone, including governors, informed about what goes on in school on a day-to-day basis with even more to share and celebrate.

Next stop, Christmas – hope you are more organised than I am!

Best wishes

Carol

Chair, on behalf of the Trustees and Local Governors

## Off to Parliament & London... Again!

Thank you as always to Johnny Mercer for organising and subsidising our visits to the Houses of Parliament and London again this year. The new School Councillors will travel to London, and if we are lucky, the visit will also include... a trip on the London Eye and a walking tour to see Buckingham Palace, Nelson's Column and Westminster Square. The first trip of this academic year will take place on 17th January 2020, with the second visit in the summer term.

What Johnny has done to support our school over the last few years has been invaluable, thank you very much to him and his team for the opportunities he continues to provide for our children.



### Attendance Awards

Just a reminder that all children with an attendance rate of 98.5% and above are entered into the draw for the £50 Smyths voucher at the end of terms 2, 4 & 6. Those children with 100% get two tickets each term!

Please give your child the best chance of winning this super prize by ensuring that they are in school every day and that dental and medical appointments are taken outside of the school day.



**Attend to Achieve**

Every Child. Every Day.