

Essendine Primary School News -July 24

July 2024

Head of School Message

Dear Families of Essendine Primary,

As the school year draws to an end, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continue support and enormous efforts in making Essendine Primary a wonderful school for our children to learn and do their very best.

Our staff work tirelessly to provide the very best for our students and this month's newsletter showcases some wonderful opportunities our children have experienced. I'm immensely proud of all the children's efforts. Well done!

At this time of the year we sadly say goodbye to some staff and wish them the very best in their futures! Jolanta Fereday is retiring after 20+ years at Hallfield Primary and has been with us at Essendine for over two years. Karen Assiam, Georgina Kirk, Jadwiga Hulak and Silvia Sana are also leaving us and they will sadly missed and I thank them for all their hard work! Please come and visit us!

I wish everyone a lovely restful summer and I look forward to seeing you all back on the first day Wednesday 4th September 2024.



We would like to remind parents/carers that any medication for children must be brought to the office, where you will be asked to complete a consent form. Do not give any medication to class teachers or children. Please also remember to update the office with any changes regarding your child's medication and any changes in illness/medical conditions.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Working together, growing together.

Weekly updates, news and events in and around your school community

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Attendance



Whole school attendance so far this term is currently at **93%** The national benchmark of good attendance is **96%.** Let's keep working on it together.

Year 6 Trip to London zoo



This term the whole of Year 6 visited London Zoo. The children explored in groups, and were amazed to see all of the wonderful animals and creatures – the spiders and gorillas being extremely popular!











Years 3 and 4 Zoo Trip

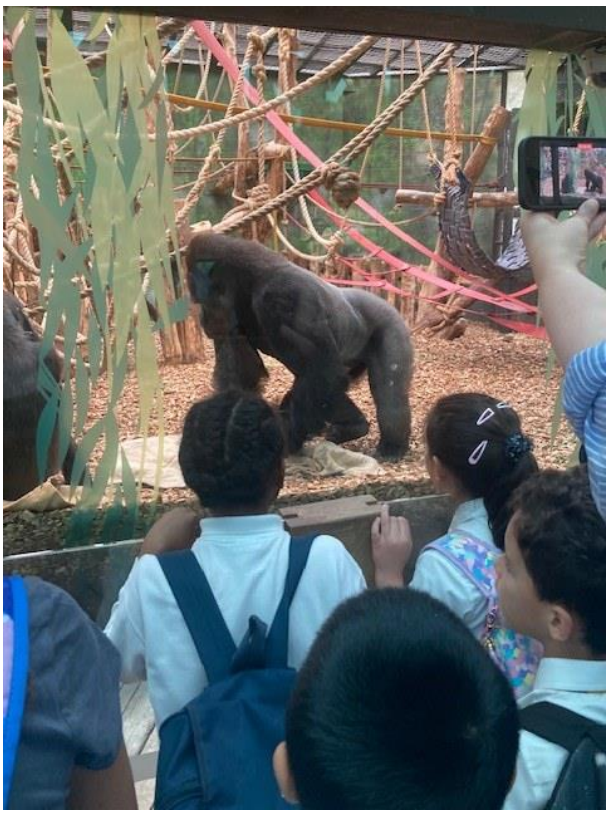


Another successful visit to London Zoo. The children of Years 3/4 had a wonderful time!













Year 6 at Sayers Croft

Year 6 had the best time on their residential to Sayers Croft last week! All children got stuck into a range of activities from rock climbing to caving - we were so proud of their resilience and

adventurous attitudes. The evenings were filled with movies, watching the Euros and games. We hope it was an unforgettable experience. A huge thank you to all the staff who made this trip possible!















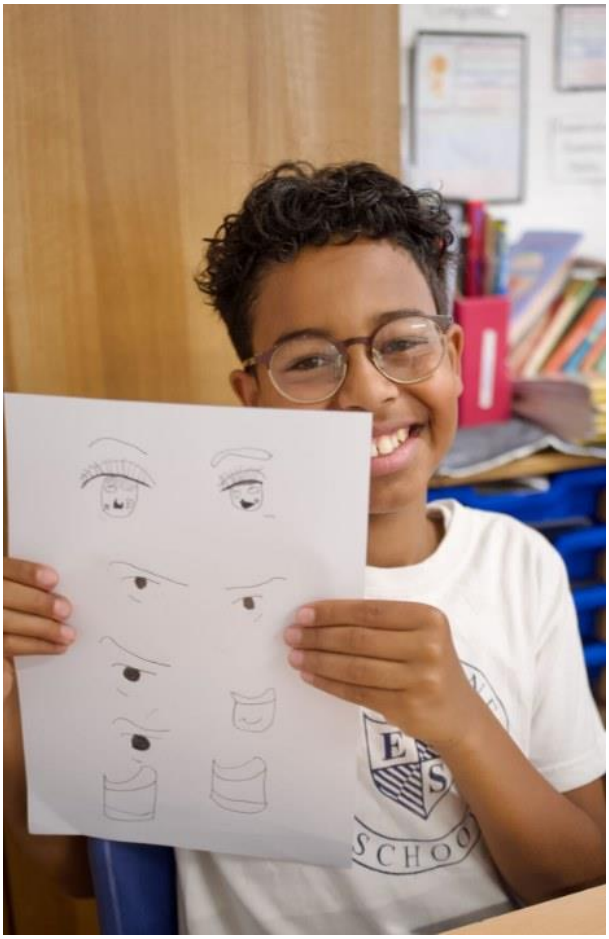


Year 6 Author visit - Chie Kutsuwada



A manga artist visited 6T this term to deliver a writing and an art workshop. The children were told about the illustrator's career journey and then were taught how to draw features of people in the style of a manga comic!






Summer
Writing
Challenge



Cartoon Museum Visit

On Wednesday 19th June, 3/4C were treated to a trip to the Cartoon Museum. There they learned how to turn simple shapes into well-known figures, such as Boris Johnson or Batman. They also explored the wonderful collection of cartoons from history and had a go at making cartoon characters based on themselves!



Nature Champions - Exploring, protecting and enjoying the natural world

This summer holiday Holland Park Ecology Centre is running our Nature Champions sessions for eight to 12 year olds in partnership with Change4Life and the Department for Education. These drop-off sessions are outdoors in our woodland area and include outdoor exploration and play, nature connection and wellbeing, food growing and campfire cooking. We have **FREE funded places for those receiving benefits related Free School Meals** and charged places. During Nature Champions sessions we will provide a **FREE** healthy lunch and snacks, prepared with the help of the participants. To apply for a funded place, follow this link to complete a form: Nature Champions HAF funded place application form To book our charged places at £36 per child per day, follow this Eventbrite link: Nature Champions on Eventbrite

- Time: 10.30am-3pm
- Ages: 8 to 12 year olds

- Dates: Tuesday 30 July to Friday 2 August, Tuesday 6 to Friday 9 August, Tuesday 27 August to Friday 30 August

Please contact the Ecology Centre for more information:

- Email: ecology.centre@rbkc.gov.uk
- Phone: 020 7938 8186
- Location: The Ecology Centre, Adventure Playground, Holland Park

Year 5 Trip to London Zoo



Our Year 5 students made the most of the lovely weather recently and had a memorable day at the zoo!





























E.Y.F.S Sports Day



A lovely afternoon with staff and parents enjoying EYFS sports day.












Our Changing Healthcare
NHS







Landmark Hotel Chefs Visit



On Thursday 27th June, chefs from the Landmark Hotel visited the children of 3-4C to deliver their third workshop. This time, the children were trying a variety of different types of bread, including sourdough and brioche. The children then made their own dough to take home and bake. Thank you to the Landmark team for providing such an amazing experience!


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Year 3-4 trip to the Landmark Hotel

Following the incredibly successful workshops led by staff from the Landmark Hotel in food preparation and cooking, Class 3/4C went to visit the illustrious Hotel to see the experts in action. After a briefing, the children went to see the fabulous foyer and talked about service to customers. They also visited the kitchen and spoke to the service staff about dinner service. A huge thank you to the staff who were so kind to show us around one of the finest hotels in London. What an experience!



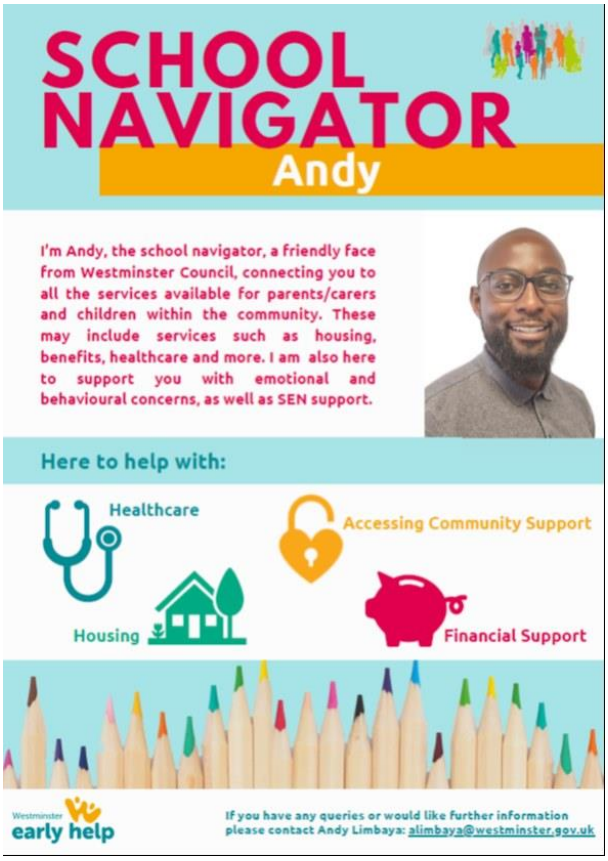








Meet our new family navigator



Year 6 Visit to the Lord Mayor Parlour

Year 6 were invited to visit the Mayor's office in Westminster this term for a special meet and greet with the Lord Mayor himself! Robert Rigby showed the children a special presentation about his role and job and the children all were invited to hold some of the special items given only to a Lord Mayor!





Year 6 Trips















Year 1 Trip to Sea Life

Year 1 enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Aquarium. We have been learning about the oceans and seas in topic and it was amazing to see the animals and coral in real life.








Jellyfish are the oldest multi-organ animal, existing for more than 500 mill



Checklist for Enjoying the Summer Holidays



Travel vaccinations: If you are going abroad check that your family has all the recommended vaccinations for travel to that country as well as being up to date with the UK vaccinations. Check out the NHS website: Travel vaccination advice - NHS (www.nhs.uk).

Check the healthcare advice for all countries you're visiting

Taking your medicines abroad? Check the rules on taking your medicine abroad.

Don't skimp on the suncream: use at least factor 30, spend time in shade between 11am and 3pm and get hats the family will love to wear and sunglasses. Sunscreen and sun safety - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

Prevent tick borne disease: going for walks in the country or camping in the UK or abroad? Ticks pose health risks such as Lyme Disease and the rarer Tick Borne Encephalitis Virus. The UKHSA has produced resources on tick prevention along with a blog.

Stay hydrated: make sure everyone carries a refillable bottle of water.

How to stay BBQ safe: read the London BBQ Safety | London Fire Brigade (london-fire.gov.uk) If you are having a picnic in a park or open space – don't use a BBQ (including disposables), grass can be very dry and a fire can start and spread quickly.

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Kids Eat Free



Coffee Mornings



Coffee Morning Timetable- September/ December 2024

Date/ Time	Title	Agency	Focus Group
Tuesday 10/09/2024 9:00-10:00am	Attendance at Essendine	Essendine Primary School+ Westminster Schools Attendance Team	All
Tuesday 17/09/2024 9:00-10:00am	Introduction to Family Information Services	Bi-Borough Education Services	All
Tuesday 24/09/2024 9:00-10:00am	Applying for Secondary Schools (1)	Westminster Admissions Team + Marylebone Boys School	Year 6
Tuesday 01/10/2024 9:00-10:00am	Curriculum at Essendine	Essendine Primary School Mr Seymour – Deputy Headteacher	All
Tuesday 08/10/2024 9:00-10:00am	About our school Trips	Essendine Primary School Miss Robinson- Inclusion Manager	All
Tuesday 15/10/2024 9:00-10:00am	Behaviour at home and visuals support	Essendine Primary School Miss Robinson- Inclusion Manager	All
Tuesday 22/10/2024 9:00-10:00am	Applying for Secondary Schools (2)	Essendine Primary School	Year 6
Tuesday 05/11/2024 9:00-10:00am	Behaviour Policy	Essendine Primary School Mr Clarridge – Assistant Headteacher	All
Tuesday 12/11/2024 9:00-10:00am	Phonics and Early Reading	Essendine Primary School	EYFS Years 1&2
Tuesday 19/11/2024 9:00-10:00am	Self-care and relaxation techniques	Westminster MIND Services Essendine Primary School Mr Seymour- Deputy Headteacher	All
Tuesday 26/11/2024 9:00-10:00am	Mobile phone use and Online safety	Westminster Adult Education Services	All
Tuesday 03/12/2024 9:00-10:00am	Writing Skills	Essendine Primary School Miss Tracy – KS2 Leader of Learning	Years 3&4
Tuesday 10/11/2024 9:00-10:00am	Children's University	Essendine Primary School Miss Mossman – Class Teacher	All
Tuesday 17/11/2024 9:00-10:00am	Holidays Activities and Food	Westminster HAF Services	All

Office Opening Times

8:00 AM TO 11:30 AM.

1:15 PM TO 4:30 PM

Access outside these times is by ***appointment only/emergency***.

Breakfast club starts at 8am please arrive before 8.20am

Packed Lunch

It is easy to create an appetising packed lunch every day for your child. You should try to give them nourishing foods that are good for them. ***Sweets, biscuits, crisps, chocolate and fizzy drinks or any***

food high in sugar are not allowed as part of a healthy packed lunch. Fast food is also not suitable for packed lunch. *Nuts are not allowed in school. The only hot meals served are school meals from the school kitchen. Water is available at mealtime.*

Our school is a nut free zone no nut based food/May contain nuts items allowed for packed lunch.



Upcoming dates/reminders



- **Friday 19th July Year 6 performance of Annie to parents 2.15pm start.**
- **Tuesday 23rd July - Last day of school for children. Finishes at 2pm.**
- **Wednesday 4th September- First day back of school for children-8.45am.**
- **EYFS- staggered starts as per emails**