



Dear Parents /Carers,

Another week of the autumn term has whizzed by and we are fast approaching December!

Page 5 outlines our arrangements for the Christmas period with dates of important events. Unfortunately, we will not be hosting any audience-based events but will continue to provide children with the opportunity to undertake many exciting and varied Christmas events. Over the next two weeks there will be new games and activities in all playgrounds. All funds raised will go towards this venture. See page 2.

As the weather continues to become more wintry, please ensure that your child has a coat that is named. If you take a few minutes of time to name items of clothing, you will stand much more chance of being reunited with them should they become lost!

As you are aware, I will be leaving Earlsmead at the end of term and an Interim Head has been appointed for the Spring term. Her name is Mrs O'Sullivan which some of you may remember as she had been with us in February 2020. Mrs O'Sullivan is an experienced Head and will lead the school until a permanent Head is appointed.

To allow Mrs O'Sullivan to meet her team and plan for the coming term, **Tuesday 4th January 2022 will be a training day for staff. Children will now return to school on Wednesday 5th January 2022. Please note the change of date.**

Nursery Funding

If you have a child attending Nursery class, Blossom, please remember to check your eligibility for Spring term 2022.

The deadline to apply for eligibility and to reconfirm your childcare code through HMRC is 31st December 2021.

Please make sure you submit your applications before the deadline and secure your child's place for January 2022. For further information on how to apply, please check the HMRC website www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/

Have a great weekend!

Ms N. Marshall

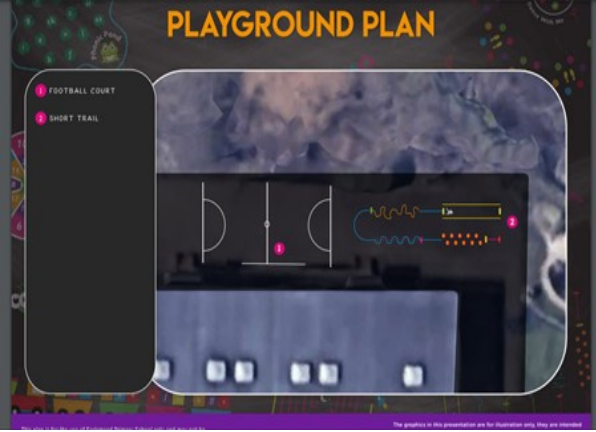
Headteacher

New Playground Plan

Below are the images for the new playground games and activities. The designs were chosen by the School Council. What an exciting time this is for our community! Children are bubbling with excitement about the range of activities and new ideas to entertain themselves. The planned work will commence next week and it is hoped to be completed by the end of term.

The cost of this project is approximately £10 000 and will be funded by PTA. All funds raised during this festive period will go toward the cost of this project. We would welcome any monetary donations towards this. Should you wish to support the school with the new playground please place the funds into a sealed envelope addressed to **PTA PLAYGROUND**.

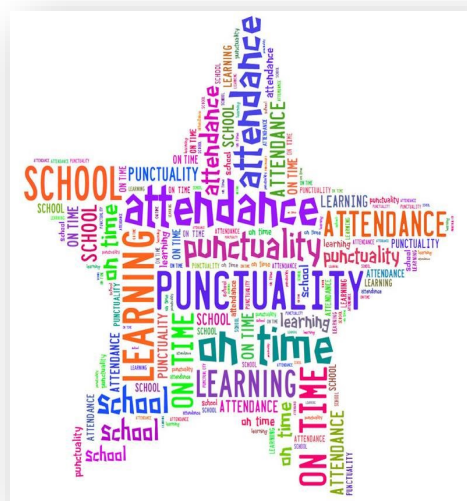
Thankyou in advanced for your continual support.



Attendance

Our attendance target is 96%. We must make every effort to ensure that all children are in school everyday unless they are ill. Well done Maple for achieving the best attendance in KS1 & Eucalyptus who achieved the best attendance in KS2!

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Oaks	89.69	Chestnuts	91.28
		Redwood	93.60
Maple	95.93	Cherry	93.81
Ash	97.00	Willow	96.00
Meranti	98.28	Eucalyptus	100
Pine	99.20	Sycamore	92.40
Elm	94.17	Greenheart	95.91



Achievement

Congratulations to the following children who received awards for positive behaviour for learning!

Cherry: Apoovi & Safa M

Ash: Inayah & Sathvigan

Willow: Latifa & Fatima



Eucalyptus: Mariam & Matheus

Maranti: Aryan & Mohammed

Sycamore: Nikodem & Bushra

Elm: Fajer & Vieshniha

Thursday 9th December



EARLSMEAD SCHOOL

**WINTER
WONDERLAND**

**GAMES, TOYS, SWEETS,
CAKES, HOT CHOCOLATE
AND MORE**

ALL £1 OR LESS

**PLEASE BRING YOUR MONEY IN A
NAMED ENVELOPE OR PURSE**

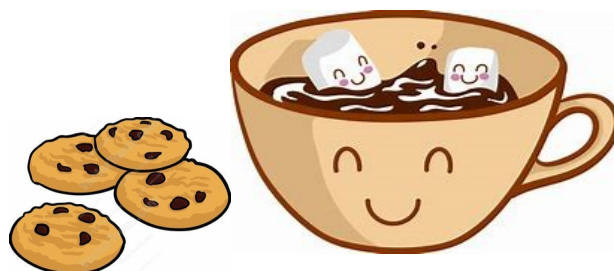
“Mmm.... Merry Mondays”

REMINDER

Dear Children,

Every Monday at playtime we will be selling hot chocolate and a biscuit

for £1.00 in the hall.



Don't forget your £1.00!

Details of our Christmas events



2021 DECEMBER



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Merry Mondays start from 15 th November (hot chocolate and a biscuit)		1 Children's Movie Night - Please see your ticket for collection time	2	3 Due to Covid restrictions, no parents please - Tree Dressing Assembly	4
5	6 Merry Mondays (hot chocolate and a biscuit)	7	8 Children's Christmas Lunch	9 Winter Wonderland (Christmas fair)	10 Due to Covid restrictions, no parents please - Nativity and Christmas Jumper Day	11
12	13 Merry Mondays (hot chocolate and a biscuit)	14	15 Class Christmas Parties	16 End of Term - school closes at 1.30pm	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Maple had a fun afternoon making decorations for the Tree Dressing!



Elm class have been making paper chains in school!





EARLSMEAD SPORTS NEWSLETTER

PLAYMAKER ACTIVITIES



During this playmaker's lesson, the children of Earlsmead were having fun with the parachute. Their target was to keep the balls on the parachute. A few skills involved were teamwork, cooperation and control.

By Nithuja and Fajer



In the lesson, the children were using chest passes to throw the ball at the rebounder. When the ball bounced back, they had to catch the ball. For this game the skills they needed were aiming, throwing and catching.

By Dunya, Zohra and Keya

PROMOTING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE



In your children's pack lunches, you should try and include different foods that make up a balanced diet. A good example of a healthy pack lunch is to have a sandwich, yoghurt and a piece of fruit. Having a healthy pack lunch will benefit your children in many ways. They will be able to concentrate better in the afternoon, this will ensure that the children will retain information better which will help with their learning. Below is a link that will give you some ideas for healthier pack lunches.

The playmakers helped bring this newsletter to you. They are; Vanessa, Sophie, Zuzanna, Dunya, Nithuja, Fajer,



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Term Dates 2021/2022

SCHOOL DATES / SCHOOL HOLIDAYS / STAFF TRAINING DAYS

Autumn Term 2021: Wednesday 1st September 2021 - Friday 17th December 2021

Staff Training Day (INSET)

Wednesday 1st September 2021

Staff Training Day (INSET)

Thursday 2nd September 2021

Half Term

Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October 2021

Last day of Autumn Term
1.30pm)

Thursday 16th December 2021 (school closes

Staff Training Day (INSET)

Friday 17th December 2021

Spring Term 2022: Wednesday 5th January 2022 - Friday 1st April 2022

Staff Training Day (INSET)

Tuesday 4th January 2022

NO Training Day on Monday 21st February 2022

Half Term
2022

Monday 14th February to Friday 18th February

Last day of Spring Term

Friday 1st April 2022 (school closes 1.30pm)

Summer Term 2021: Tuesday 19th April 2022 - Friday 22nd July 2022

Staff Training Day (INSET)

Tuesday 19th April 2022

Half Term

Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022

Staff Training Day (INSET)

Monday 6th June 2022

Last day of Summer Term

Friday 22nd July 2022 (school closes 1.30pm)