

Welcome to our NEWSLETTER 22.03.24



Last week was our annual Science Fair based on the theme "Science through Stories". Once again, we were blown away with the creativity and innovation of our pupils and staff and it was such a joy to see the children exploring all of the activities at the fair alongside their families, peers and staff.

We had a great turn out of parents and carers on the day and we would just like to thank you all for coming along to see what the children had been learning.

Our stars of the show were of course our "Evergreen Science Detectives" who, each year have to apply for this important role and attend a mini interview! Seeing these individuals become the teachers, working together responsibly and presenting science ideas to visitors on the day makes us burst with pride! Well done Science Detectives!

The winners of our Science homework project were "Bertie Henderson" for his brilliant "Three Billy Goats Gruff" bath experiment and Noah Sadler for learning about how an identical twin pregnancy is formed and listening to a story about "2 powerful little boys growing in Mummy's tummy".

March Outdoor Learning Challenge

March Outdoor Learning Challenge. This week in Forest School we had an egg hunt. Our teachers hid eggs in the trees for us to find. Can you have an egg hunt outdoors? We'd love to see your pictures or videos on Evidence for Learning.



Thank you!

A huge thank you to Kitlocker for supplying our girls' football team with their AMAZING new kit!





At Evergreen we are committed to providing equality and promoting the inclusion of all pupils in all areas of primary school life. We recognise the diverse and individual needs of all of our pupils and take into account the additional support required by those children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

The Government has asked all Local Authorities in the UK to publish, in one place, information about the services and provision they expect to be available in their area for children and young people from 0 to 25 who have Special Educational Needs and/or a Disability (SEND).

This is known as the **"Local Offer"**.

All schools have a Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO) who works with staff, pupils, parents and outside agencies to ensure that the needs of individual pupils are met in accordance with the Special Educational Needs Code of Practice.

Our SENCO is Jayne Curtis.

Further information about the "Local Offer" Scheme can be found on the [County Durham Families Information Service \(FIS\) Website](#).

<https://www.countydurhamfamilies.info/kb5/durham/fsd/home.page>

All the information about our "Local Offer" can be found on the [S.E.N.D.](#) section of our website.

<https://evergreenprimary.co.uk/index.php/our-school/send>

Evidence for Learning

Please check the Efl app regularly to see all the lovely photos and videos of your child's learning each week. If you are having problems logging on, please contact Claire:

conions@evergreenprimary.co.uk

Look out for more Evidence for Learning workshops for parents in the Summer Term.

Year 5 Parent Event at The Oaks

If your child is currently in Year 5 and you are thinking about The Oaks as an option for secondary school, why not come along to this friendly event on Wednesday 8th May 5-6 pm. You will be shown around the school with other year 5 parents and staff will try to answer any of your questions.

Wellbeing



Commando Joes

This half term classes have been completing Commando Joe challenges in their PE sessions. This is a character development programme which helps pupils improve their

problem solving, team work, empathy and resilience. The pupils have loved the sessions and discovered that helping others really makes them feel good!

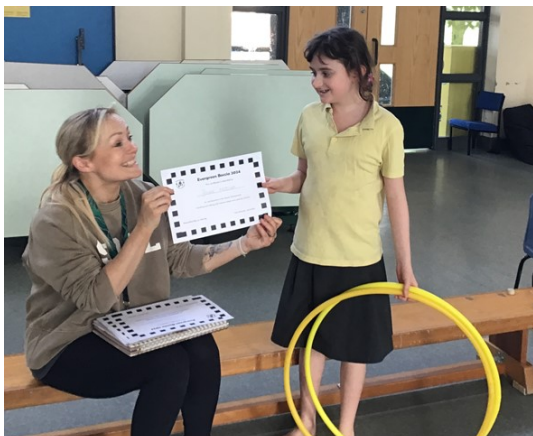


Parents Coffee Morning

Reminder: it's is our coffee morning 10am – 11am on 27th March. We hope to see you there!!

Boccia Tournament 2024

Orange 1 and Orange 2 took part in a Boccia tournament on Tuesday 19th March. Both classes came to explore the equipment and learn the rules of how to play. We had a practice throwing and rolling the balls. Then we had a little competition, Charlotte, Toby and Jack won their games. It was lovely to see children from different classes working together and for the pupils to learn and experience a competitive situation. The experience helped pupils to develop their hand eye co-ordination as well as their resilience, team work and sportsmanship. I was very proud to see all the pupils championing all their team mates and competitors.





School holidays for the 2024/2025 academic year

Holiday	Closing Date	Date Re-opens for Teaching Purposes
Summer 2024 (6 weeks 1 day)	Tuesday 23 July 2024	Thursday 5 September 2024
Autumn Half-Term 2024 (1 week)	Friday 25 October 2024	Monday 4 November 2024
Christmas 2024 (2 weeks 1 day)	Friday 20 December 2024	Tuesday 7 January 2025
Spring Half-Term 2025 (1 week)	Friday 21 February 2025	Monday 3 March 2025
Easter 2025 (2 weeks)	Friday 11 April 2025	Monday 28 April 2025
May Bank Holiday 2025 (1 day)	Friday 2 May 2025	Tuesday 6 May 2025
Summer Half-Term 2025 (1 week)	Friday 23 May 2025	Monday 2 June 2025
Summer 2025	Friday 18 July 2025	TBA

Inset days 3rd & 4th September 2024
6th January 2025

Dates for Spring / Summer Term

Wednesday 27th March - Parents Coffee Morning 10am

Thursday 28th March—break up for Easter

Wednesday 17th April—back to school

Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd May—Musical theatre performances of Matilda

Monday 6th May—Bank Holiday

Wednesday 8th May— Year 5 parent event at the Oaks (5-6 pm)

Monday 13th May—Autism Week

Friday 24th May—Break up for half term