

The Evercreech Echo



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Headteacher's message

Welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed a restful break over Half Term. It is so uplifting to see the sun shining this week and feel that Spring is just around the corner.

As always, the children have returned to their learning with confidence and enthusiasm ready for what is set to be a jam-packed half term of learning and events!

We are looking forward to launching our 'March into Books' month on Monday with a huge array of activities and focus on reading.

With kind regards,

Mrs Sarah Hann, Headteacher

Love music?

Fundraising Appeal Launch Event

28th February, 7:30pm
St Peter's Church, Evercreech

Join us for an evening of cheese, wine and light entertainment

RSVP to alison.jolyon@gmail.com by 21st February

Organ & Sound
FUNDRAISING APPEAL
St Peter's Church, Evercreech

Church Praise Service

As part of our links with St. Peter's Church, a small group of our children will be taking part in Sunday's St. Peter's Songs of Praise. The children have been practising hard to learn the song and add actions in readiness. The service is open to all; **11am Sunday 2nd March**.



Attendance matters

Our attendance figure this week is **94.23%**
(Last week: **92.5%**)



Tuning into Kids

This week, we welcomed our first set of parents to the popular 'Tuning into Kids' parenting programme. This is a six week course that will be repeated in the summer term. If you are interested in our future dates, please contact the School Office.



Safeguarding—Scooters and bikes

For safety reasons, please can we ask that children do not ride scooters or bikes in the school playground.



Spring Term Learning Priority— Reading update

Our hardworking PTFA have organised a series of events on World Book Day, **Thursday 6th March**, to celebrate the joy of reading. The events will consist of an afterschool book swap in the hall from **15:15 to 16:00**, with an opportunity to play games, visit the tuck shop, and purchase "scrumdiddlyumptious" chocolate bars for £1.50 that contain a prize in every bar!

Year 1 — Science, everyday materials

This week, Cherry Class started a new topic in Science focusing on everyday materials. The children had a great time sorting objects into four categories: metal, wood, plastic, and glass. They also expanded their vocabulary by learning what "transparent" means and discovering which materials are waterproof. It was a fun and informative way to explore the materials we use everyday—great work Cherry Class!



Year 5 — Computing

This week, Pine Class have started a new computing unit on vector drawings. To understand the basics of graphic design, the children used Google Draw to design their own houses made purely from lines and shapes. They worked so hard on their designs and produced some fantastic pieces of work—superb effort Pine Class!



Year 4 – Music

In music this week, Sycamore have started to learn the new song that they will be practising on their ukelele, 'Hound Dog' by Big Mama Thornton. The children had a go at doing an Elvis impression and started to learn their new chord required.



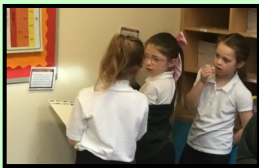
EYFS— Our Wonderful World

During Spring Two, Holly Class are focusing on the topic 'Our Wonderful World'. To start this off Mrs Morris has worked with the children to create their very own aeroplane in the role play area. The children are having great fun exploring the items and role playing what it would be like to go to and work within an airport.



Year 3 — History, The Stone Age

This week, the children from Willow Class went on a Stone Age fact hunt. The children located facts around the classroom to support their learning for their new, exciting topic.



Year 2 — Music

In music this week, Mulberry have been finding the beat, listening to different types of music and learning new songs and how to play them using the bells.



Collective Worship

This week in Collective Worship, we explored World Thinking Day which took place on Saturday 22nd February for Girl Guides and Scouts worldwide. We focused on community and the importance of helping each other and caring for our environment.

The children learned how money collected helps people all over the world.



Year 6—Art

This week, Oak Class have begun a project on sculpture. They thought about their time at Evercrech so far and have begun to compile ways of representing those memories in a literal and abstract way.



Celebrating with

WORLD
BOOK
DAY

BOOK BULLETIN

MARCH INTO BOOKS!



We are excited to share with you some of our plans for celebrating reading throughout our **March Into Books** event. We are looking forward to marking **World Book Day** next week, and want our book celebrations to last throughout March to show how we really value the importance (and magic!) of stories at all times.

We really want to live this year's theme of **'Read Your Way'** and ask everyone to let go of pressures and give children the joy of reading on their own terms. We hope you will enjoy celebrating books with us!



Book Bingo: Throughout March

We will be launching our new bingo for **'March into Books'** next week on Class Dojo - see how many of the reading challenges you can complete to be in with a chance of winning a prize!

World Book Day: 'Little People, Big Dreams'

On **Thursday 6th March** we are inviting children to come into school dressed up as someone who either already has a book published about them or they feel should have one! **Please see the letter on ParentMail for further information.** Throughout the day, each class will be taking part in lots of book-related activities and even some national quizzes and events! The **PTFA** will be hosting a **book swap** some bookish activities after school to continue the story-themed fun!



Author Visit: Kimberley Hanks

On **Wednesday 19th March** our Key Stage Two classes will be visited by local published author Kimberley Hanks. We are looking forward to this visit inspiring our reading and writing!

Stories & Reading for Pleasure: Throughout March (and beyond!)

We will continue to enjoy our daily class reads as a core part of our curriculum provision within each year group, exposing the children to a range of quality texts to broaden their experiences and widen their vocabulary. *Keep your eyes peeled for some sharing of stories that you can enjoy from the comfort of your own home too!*

Willow and **Sycamore** classes are also looking forward to rehearsing and performing their book-inspired play based on **The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse**.



Scholastic Book Fair: 27th March - 1st April

This popular book fair marks the end of our month-long celebration of reading; more details will be shared in coming weeks on ParentMail. We are delighted to confirm that **World Book Day tokens** will be accepted towards your purchases!



Spring 2025 Diary Dates

- Tues 4th March – Downside Races Cross Country – Race 3
- Wed 5th Mar – Year 3 Trip to Cheddar Gorge (Willow Class)
- Wed 5th Mar – Year 5 trip to We The Curious, Bristol (Pine Class)
- Thurs 6th Mar – World Book Day—**Dress up**
- Fri 7th Mar – World Prayer Day
- Weds 12th Mar— Drumming workshop (Acorns and Holly Class)
- Thur 13th Mar – Year 2 RSPB Ham Wall Nature Reserve trip
- Fri 14th Mar – PTFA Bingo in school hall
- Mon 17th Mar – Fri 21st March—School science week
- Mon 17th Mar – Space Dome visit
- Weds 19th Mar - KS2 Local Author visit and book signing
- Thurs 20th Mar - Yr2 to visit The Glen Care Home
- Thurs 20th Mar - Carymoor Whole School Assembly
- Fri 21st Mar – Science project exhibition 2.45pm - 3.15pm (In school hall)
- Fri 21st Mar – Red Nose Day (**Non-uniform with a red theme**)
- Tues 25th Mar – Mendip Jnr League (Millfield)
- Weds 26th Mar – Year 3 & 4 Production 2.15pm (**Please note, this date has changed**)
- Thurs 27th Mar – Year 3 & 4 Production 2.15pm
- Thurs 27th & Fri 28th March—Scholastic Book Fair in school
- Thur 27th Mar – Rev. Helen visiting Oak Class (Salvation)
- Fri 28th Mar – EYFS Mother’s Day Service - 2.30pm (Mum’s invited to Evercreech)
- Fri 28th Mar – Mrs Hann’s Headteacher Tea Party - Year 5 (selected children)
- Tues 1st Apr – Year 6 SATs Parent Information Session (Time TBA)
- Weds 2nd Apr – Mendip Junior League
- Weds 2nd Apr – Yr4 trip to Rural Life Museum
- Thurs 3rd Apr – Easter Service @ St.Peter’s Church—Holly and Oak Class Parents
- Fri 4th Apr – Break up for Easter



Spotlight on Wellbeing

Reading Wellbeing Challenges!

To link with our **March Into Books** event, each 'Spotlight on Wellbeing' this month will focus on suggestions for taking a break and exploring reading with some simple wellbeing challenges.

This week, why not try discovering a podcast or audiobook to enjoy while walking, tidying, or relaxing? **Scan the QR code** to access some **FREE** World of Stories audiobooks.



Acorns Pre-School

Acorns have been looking at Spring this week and at the way the environment changes over the seasons. We saw a lovely rainbow and decided to make our own using our hand eye coordination, fine motor skills and knowledge of colours.

Acorn of the week is **Owen** for his good listening.



After School Club - Netball with Miss Owen and Miss Leggett

The KS2 children in Netball Club had a fantastic first session on Tuesday. They learned the essential passes in netball, including the chest pass, shoulder pass, and overhead pass. The session also included some fun shooting practice, where they focused on bending their knees and using a flicked wrist to propel the ball. The children demonstrated outstanding focus during passing drills and ended the session with an exciting five-a-side game. Well done to everyone for their effort. and enthusiasm.

