

The Evercreech Echo



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Friday 7th February 2025—Spring Volume 5

Headteacher's message

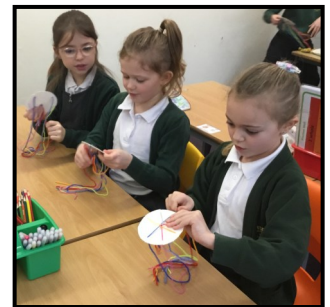
What a wonderful week of activities we have had at Evercreech CofE Primary. Our school has been enveloped with positive thoughts and feelings as we took time to reflect on ourselves and what we enjoy doing, and look at how this makes us feel.

Seeing all the children wearing their brightly coloured scarves today reminded us all about Children's Mental Health Week and how we work together to support a culture of growth and positive self-image.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

With kind regards,

Mrs Sarah Hann, Headteacher



Spring Parents' Evening

Our Parent's Evening will be taking place next week.

Tuesday 11th February - 3.30-6pm

Wednesday 12th February - 3.30-6pm

If you would like to book a SEND appointment with Mrs Dallard on these evenings, please contact the School Office.

A reminder that our school wear provider, RAMS Sports, will be with us on these evenings for you to view and order any school uniform you might require.



After School Clubs

A reminder that due to Parent's Evenings, there will be no after school clubs. The only clubs running will be clubs run by external providers:

- Gymnastics
- Multi-skills with Mr Hayman



Attendance matters

Our attendance figure this week is **93.24%**
(Last week: **94.38%**)



Mental Health Awareness Week 3rd—7th Feb

Our children have been busy taking part in a wide range of activities this week to celebrate Children's Mental Health Week. We will share photos of the things the children have undertaken next week in a 'special feature' within our newsletter.



Spring Term Learning Priority— Reading update

You should have received our 'March into Books' letter that was sent out via ParentMail this week. It contains lots of information about the events we have planned and how you can support your child with reading.



Year 1 — Religious Education

This week, Cherry Class went on a trip to the church to find Christian artefacts they've been learning about in R.E. They had a fun scavenger hunt to find the artefacts and listened to Bible stories from the vicar, Helen. After that, they drew pictures of the artefacts they saw.



Year 4 – PSHE

As part of mental health week, Sycamore class went for a mindfulness walk. Whilst on this walk we listened to what noises we could hear, what we could see and what we could smell. It was really nice to be out of the classroom and embrace nature.



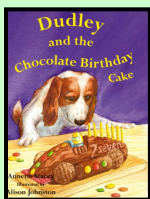
Year 3 — Design & Technology

This week, the children in Willow Class have made their own pneumatic toys. They discovered that air pressure can be used to power objects and create movement. They all enjoyed creating a monster to their own design.



KS1 Author Visit

KS1 were incredibly fortunate to have the author, Annette Stacey visit Cherry Class on Monday to share some of her captivating stories. One of the highlights was hearing about *Dudley and the Chocolate Birthday Cake*, a tale inspired by true events involving a mischievous dog who stole half of a birthday cake!



We are grateful for Annette for visiting our school and sharing her joy of reading with us.

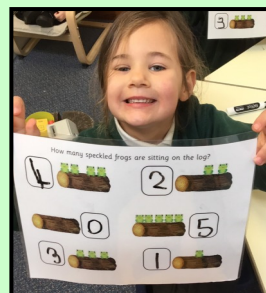
Year 5 — P.E

This week, Pine Class have been working hard on their shooting skills in PE as part of their basketball unit. They've been practising dribbling and shooting from different angles around the hoop, and they've shown great determination along the way. Now, they're all excited to put their skills to the test in the KS2 netball tournament next term! With all the hard work they've put in, they're ready to give it their best shot and have some fun!



EYFS— Maths

This week in maths, Holly Class have been singing the song 'Five Little Speckled Frogs' and practising their number formations.



Year 2 — Science

This week in Mulberry class, the children continued their work on the different food groups. They cut, snipped and grated foods to create a balanced meal. The children made sure to include a protein, fruit or vegetable, dairy product and some carbohydrate to create their designed wraps—it was great fun!



Year 6— History

This week, Oak Class have learned about Maya hieroglyphs and have written their names in this style. They are really enjoying this Ancient history topic and are looking forward to completing their mask next week.



Acorns Pre-School

This week, Acorns have been looking at farming and farm animals. They have been learning about where their food comes from and were lucky enough to have a visit from Aubree's Dad and his tractor!

The children all had a turn sitting inside the tractor pretending to drive it and were amazed at how big the wheels were!

To finish the week, they compared the sizes of different animals, learned what their babies are called, and looked at how they are used on the farm.

Acorn of the week is:
Aveda for being so kind and helpful.



After School Clubs

In Art Club this week, the children created sheep using wool. They wound the wool around some cardboard before creating its legs and ears out of card.



Intra House Netball for KS2

Today we welcomed our first Lower KS2 Intra House netball competition! With the support of Mr Hayman, Miss Owen organised a thrilling netball competition to test our children's ball skills through friendly competition.

We look forward to counting up the points to find out who has won our first House Cup of the year!



EVERCREECH COFE PRIMARY SCHOOL PTFA

EASTER BINGO

FRIDAY 14TH MARCH

IN THE SCHOOL HALL

DOORS OPEN: 6.00PM

EYES DOWN 6.30PM

A FUN FAMILY EVENT FOR ALL AGES



CHOCOLATE PRIZES,
RAFFLE, HOT DOGS &
REFRESHMENTS



ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO
EVERCREECH C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARADISE CRESCENT, BA4 6EH.

Spring 2025 Diary Dates

- Fri 7th Feb - Whole school bake sale for Guide Dogs UK
- Fri 7th Feb - KS2 Intra House Netball Competition
- Fri 7th Feb - Wear your scarf to school day—Mental Health Awareness
- Mon 10th Feb - NSPCC Speak out stay safe workshops in class—Years 2, 5 & 6
- Tues 11th Feb - Safer Internet Day
- Tues 11th Feb - EYFS Burns the Bread visit
- Tues 11th Feb - Parents Evening 1 (3.30pm-6pm)
- Wed 12th Feb - Parents Evening 2 (3.30pm-6pm)
- Wed 12th Feb - EYFS and Year 6 Heights and weights measurements
- Thur 13th Feb - Year 1 Rock up and Read! (2.30pm)
- Fri 14th Feb - Red and blue non-uniform day (details to follow)
- Fri 28th Feb - Mrs Hann's Headteacher Tea Party - Year 3 (selected children)
- 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
- Thurs 6th Mar - World Book Day (**Details to follow**)
- Fri 7th Mar - World Prayer Day
- Weds 12th Feb - Year 1 trip to Bristol Zoo
- Thur 13th Mar - Year 2 RSPB Ham Wall Nature Reserve trip
- Mon 17th Mar - Fri 21st March—School science week
- Mon 17th Mar - Space Dome visit—all year groups to take part
- Weds 19th Mar - KS2 Local Author visit and book signing
- Thurs 20th Mar - Yr2 to visit The Glen Care Home
- Fri 21st Mar - Science project exhibition 2.45pm - 3.15pm (In school hall)
- 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 25th Mar - Red Nose Day (**Non-uniform with a red theme**)
- Fri 28th Mar - EYFS Mother's Day Service (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
- Thurs 3rd Apr - Easter Service @ St.Peter's Church—Holly and Oak Class Parents
- Fri 5th Apr - Break up for Easter
- Tues 22nd Apr - INSET day (Staff only)
- Wed 23rd Apr - Children back to school for Summer Term

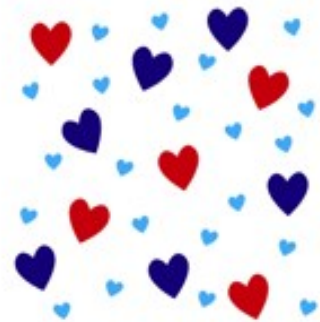
Additional class trips and visits will be added over the next few weeks once confirmation has been received.

Blue and Red Day - Friday 14th February



Next Friday we are inviting children to come in wearing blue and red in memory of Oliver Jones, whose untimely passing last year devastated our school community. The 14th February marks Oliver's birthday and we would like to celebrate Oli and his love of Spiderman through a **blue** and **red** theme. If you had the privilege of knowing Oli, you knew of his overwhelmingly kind and loving nature, so it is fitting that he shared his birthday with Valentine's Day. We will be collecting donations for **Bristol Children's Hospital** in support of the Jones family's fundraising.

The 17th February also marks **Random Acts of Kindness Day** so over half term, we are challenging the children to perform a random act of kindness for somebody, in memory of Oli and his kind nature and unfailingly positive attitude. Each child will be given a paper heart and we ask that you write their random act of kindness on their heart and return it to school after half term so they can be collected and celebrated.



Why not take up the random act of kindness challenge as a whole family to spread some **positivity, wellbeing** and **love** in your community? If you're not sure what you could do, here are some ideas to get your started. **Doing something nice for someone doesn't cost a lot of time or money. It's the small things in life that can make a big difference.**

