

Headteacher Update

We have certainly been hit by a cold snap this week and I hope you have been safe on the roads. When I was driving into school on Monday, one of the roads was particularly treacherous with five cars coming off the road. I am hopeful that no one was injured.

I have made a slight change to the attendance box below and made it by class and the attendance for the week. Our school target is 97%+.

I met with the Eco Warriors yesterday lunchtime and we discussed the work they had been completing across the school e.g. checking classes are turning lights and taps off, rubbish going in the bin and litter picking. One Eco Warrior has also created a Global Warming poster which they then got signed by different children and staff in support of taking action to make a change. When we next meet, we have decided to look at the school garden area and ensure the garden beds are ready for planting and looking to put some bird boxes up across the school. We will keep you updated.

I have been out of school on a training course today and missed Celebration Assembly as well as Hot Chocolate Friday! It is always a special time of the week and Mrs Pain has covered for me today.

On Monday it is National Handwriting Day, the children practise their handwriting a lot during the week, and we will recognise the day as a school and allow some extra practise.

Celebration of achievement afternoon will be on Tuesday 7th February straight after school. We missed the one before Christmas so we can ensure any work that was completed then can also be shown at this time.

One of our school values is perseverance. We encourage the children to use a growth mindset and keep going when they encounter obstacles and along with hard work and a good plan, they can achieve their goals. I saw this video during the week and had to share it with you, what a great example of perseverance!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RDomahMTEs4

Wishing you all a great weekend.

Healthy regards,

Mr Graves Hillside First School, where children are at the heart of everything we do.

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Upcoming Events / Key Dates

Please find details of events for the Spring Term below. We will add to these during the term so please continue to check each week.

WEEKLY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Little Owls - 90% Tawny Owls I - 90.7% Tawny Owls 2 - 92.4% Tawny Owls 3 - 95.6% Snowy Owls I - 99.3% Snowy Owls 2 - 95.9% Snowy Owls 3 - 85.8%

Whole School 92.2% Target



The school day begins at 08:40 Gates open at 08:30 School finishes at 15:00



A few photos from across the school this week.













Dates for the Spring Term



News from Emmanuel Middle School

EMMANUEL MIDDLE SCHOOL



Performance Dates

21st March 2023

22nd March 2023

23rd March 2023

7pm

Music & Lyrics by

Elton John & Tim Rice

Additional Music & Lyrics by

Lebo M, Mark Mancina, Jay Rifkin, and Hans Zimmer

Book by

Roger Allers & Irene Mecchi

Based on the Broadway production directed by Julie Taymor

Music Adapted & Arranged and

Additional Music & Lyrics and "Luau Hawaiian Treat" written by **Will Van Dyke**

<u>Clubs</u>

Rippa Rugby (Year I-4) https://www.ripparugby.co.uk/

After a successful first term Rippa Rugby is continuing during the Spring Term. Please use the link above to book a space.



Tennis Club is under way for children in Year 2, Year 3 and 4. Further details and how to book available here:

https://www.live4tennis.co.uk/service-page/mon-3-4pm-hillside-first-jan-feb-23

