



Autumn term 2018

November 30th 2018

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Update

I can't believe how quickly this term is flying past and that it is almost a month since I last updated you all on our school news. We have had a hugely busy and successful half term and I have been made a very proud headteacher on a number of occasions.

The captains and vice-captains accompanied me to the cemetery on November 8th to pay our respects by laying wreaths on two WWI graves. The children read about the two soldiers and also led thoughts and prayers. They all represented the school admirably and spoke beautifully. Their excellent conduct was commented on many times.



On November 11th there were two events the children took part in; a number of children took part in the parade to lay the school wreath and the choir and members of the junior classes took part in a commemoration for the centenary of WWI. Once again they conducted themselves amazingly well. The choir brought a tear to many an eye with their fabulous singing and all the readers spoke clearly and well. So many people have contacted me to say what brilliant children we have and how well they all did.

A lot of the children contributed with work about World War I or wrote poems and diary entries. Some of these were displayed on the night and they are now being displayed in school.



On top of all this we have been awarded the fair play trophy for two separate sporting events this half term; once for girls' football and the other for boys' football. The children have also competed in athletics [4th out of 16] and a hockey tournament [4th out of 22]. Miss Mullings, Mr Bishop and Mr Tingey have been very impressed with their sporting attitude and effort at each event.



Raccoons have been photographed for their new school photo and have also led a sharing session with their parents.

Y5/6 visited Gressenhall to take part in a Victorian Murder Mystery day. We all dressed up and had a fabulous day gathering the evidence and interviewing the witnesses. It turns out I would not have made a very good detective as I got the culprit wrong but many of the children had it all worked out correctly!

Y4 will be off on their residential trip to Burwell House the 12th & 13th December and I have no doubt we will get great reports back from there too.

Accelerated Reader is going well and to date the children in KS2 have read 1460 books since September. At the top of the leader-board this week we have: Robert B, Dexter, Oliver W and Izzy. We currently have two word millionaires: Izzy and Jacob. Keep up the reading and don't forget the children can log on at home too!

Reminders

Dinner money

Please remember that dinner money must be paid in advance and that if there is dinner money owing children will need to bring a packed lunch until the debt is cleared.

Eaton Vale

Permission slips and £25 deposits were due back at beginning of November. There are still a number outstanding so if this is yours please ensure that these are returned to school as soon as possible.

Christmas Performances

All costumes for the EYFS and to KS1 performance must be in by Monday please.

Uniform

Please make sure that weekend nail varnish is removed before school on Monday.

Please make sure that your child has black shoes and not trainers for school.

Children may only wear school sweatshirts in school and not hoodies as these are not uniform.

Thanks

A big thanks you to everyone who contributed to our Christmas Shoebox appeal – in the end we sent over 100 boxes off.

Thank you also for your support with Children in Need, we raised £258.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sally Esom'.

Sally Esom

Headteacher

Dates for the Autumn term 2018

Date	Event	Who is involved
7/12	School Pantomime – paid for by PTA	EYFS/KS1 – am KS2 – pm
10/12 at 2pm 11/12 at 6pm	KS1 Christmas performances	KS1
12 – 13/12	Burwell House Residential	Y4
12/12 13/13	EYFS Christmas performances at 9:15am	EYFS
19/12	Christmas lunch/ Christmas jumper day/ End of term	Whole school
3/1/19 Thursday	Term begins	Whole school