



HARVEST THANKSGIVING



Thank you for your generous support of Harvest Charity. The items and **£429.28** collected have been taken to the [Epsom and Ewell Food Bank](#).

Our year 1, 2, 3 and 4 children sang and behaved beautifully at St Mary's Church. Reception children and parents enjoyed their first performance in school.

The children also made cookies in school which were gratefully received by our elderly neighbours.

CONGRATULATIONS

For those of you that have been waiting for the news, we are pleased to announce the safe arrival of Mrs Ralph's baby girl; Mum and baby are both doing really well.

BAGS2SCHOOL

The recent Bags2 School collection raised an impressive £240 – thank you for your donations.

PARENTS EVENING

Thank you for your support at this week's Parents' Evenings. We had a very high attendance; which is fantastic. If you were not able to attend please liaise with the class teacher to make an alternative arrangement.

The purpose of Parents' Evening is for you to feel you have been given valuable information in regards to your child's progress. Therefore, if you have any further questions or queries please always speak to us.

SAFEGUARDING REMINDER

If you are walking past the school when the children are in the playground please do not engage any of them in a conversation. We realise how tempting this may be but for safeguarding reasons we do tell the children not to speak to anybody through the school fence.

BUILDING WORK UPDATE

Please refer to the separate [letter](#) to parents available on our website under 'virtual office' 'letters'

CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION



Thank you and well done to all the children who sent in their entries; your drawings were lovely and it was a very hard decision to make.

Congratulations to Rakshana in Year 2 whose drawing has been sent to the Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP to be entered into his Christmas Card Competition; the winner of which will be used for his official Christmas card. Good luck.

HALF TERM

The school will be closed from Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October. Children should return to school on Monday 29th October.

INTRODUCTION TO READING AT EWELL GROVE

Following on from this term's year group meetings please find attached information about reading at Ewell Grove.

PACKED LUNCHES

A reminder of our policy on packed lunches and what to include in your child's lunchbox:

- Bread (sandwich/wrap etc.), potato, rice or pasta based dishes
- Breadsticks and wholemeal crackers
- Fruit (fresh or canned in juice), vegetables and/or salad
- Cheese, beans/pulses, eggs
- Low-fat and lower-sugar yoghurt
- Tea cake, fruit bread, plain rice/corn cakes, homemade plain popcorn, sugar-free jelly
- Water is always freely available to all children at lunchtime – please provide a named plastic cup/beaker in their lunchbox.

DO NOT include anything containing nuts, including peanut butter or Nutella to help safeguard anyone with a nut allergy.

Find healthy lunchbox ideas at [Change4Life](#).

Try these ideas for [healthy food swaps](#).



**EWELL GROVE PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL
AUTUMN TERM² KNOWN DATES**

HOME LEARNING

Reminder - Autumn Term¹ [Home Learning](#) sheet should be returned by Monday 29th October.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th October

Our school photographer will be taking individual/family (sibling) photographs of the children on **Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th October**. Families will be photographed together **unless you inform us in writing** that you would like your children to be photographed individually.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCIES

We have 2 Parent Governor Vacancies. Please refer to the [Parent Governor Recruitment Booklet](#) for the full details available on our school website under 'about us' 'governors'

The closing date for nominations is **9:00 am 29th October 2018**.

CLASSROOM VISITS

Friday 2nd November at 8:45 am – parents are invited to bring their child into the classroom (for that morning only) so they can familiarise themselves with the new environment. Please only go into your own child's class – not try and visit everyone's

PARENTS FOCUS GROUP

The next meeting of the **Parent Focus Group** will be held on **Thursday 15th November at 2.30 pm** and, as always, **everyone is welcome**. Please note that this does mean **all parents and carers**, not just the Helping Hands Co-ordinators.

The purpose of the Parent Focus Group is to improve communication between the school and parents, and to provide information to the Governors and eventually OfSTED for the preparation of their report.

If you are attending the meeting please email events@ewell-grove.surrey.sch.uk

FRIENDS OF EWELL GROVE (FOEG)

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| Meeting @ 7:45 pm | Tuesday 6 th November |
| The Glitter Ball | Saturday 17 th November |
| Non Uniform Day For Chocolate Tombola | Thursday 29 th November |
| Non Uniform Day For Bottle Tombola | Thursday 6 th December |
| Christmas Fair After School | Friday 7 th December |
| Pantomime | Saturday 8 th December |

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Thursday 29th November 2018 at 8:00 am

GOLD BOOK / BIRTHDAY ASSEMBLY

Gold Book – each year group will have a Gold Book/Achievement Assembly once per half term where approximately 1/6 of the year group will celebrate success. The dates for Autumn² are below (parents will be notified in advance if their child is involved):

Birthday Assembly (Year R, 1 and 2 only) – will be held once per half term for each year group. For Autumn² children who have birthdays in November and December will celebrate these on the same day as the Gold Book Assembly dates below.

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| Year R | 9:10 am Thursday 15 th November |
| Year 1 | 9:10 am Tuesday 20 th November |
| Year 2 | 9:10 am Tuesday 27 th November |
| Year 3 | 9:10 am Thursday 22 nd November |
| Year 4 | 9:10 am Tuesday 13 th November |

Parents are welcome to attend their child's Assembly. Younger siblings are welcome to attend too, but we will ask you to take them out if they are causing disruption.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

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| Nursery | Nativity Songs performance in School on Thursday 13th December Morning Nursery at 10:00 am Afternoon Nursery at 2:00 pm |
| Reception | Nativity performance in School on Tuesday 11th December There will be two performances at 9:30 am and 2:15 pm |
| Year 1 And Year 2 | Nativity performance at St Mary's Church on Wednesday 12th December at 9:30 am |
| Year 3 And Year 4 | Carol Service at St Mary's Church on Wednesday 12th December at 6 pm |