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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful week we've had at Merebrook! Children in Wagtails and Woodpeckers performed their nativity, Whoops-a-Daisy Angel, to a packed audience on Thursday morning. It's hard to believe that these children only started school 13 weeks ago. They spoke and sang with such confidence. **Well done to all of our Early Years children for such a great start to their Merebrook life!**

Later that day, our Year 1 and 2 children enjoyed our Carols on the Playground event. Children enjoyed singing the songs that they have been practicing in school over the past few weeks. **Thank you to everyone that supported this event.** As we head towards the final week of the autumn term there is so much to look forward to. On Tuesday, those children that have paid for gifts will walk to Emerson Valley to visit the **Christmas shop**. **If you have purchased more than 1 gift, please send your child in with a carrier bag.** On Wednesday morning, our whole school community will walk across to Emerson Valley to see this years pantomime: Rapunzel with the Emerson Valley Year 3 children. This is a great end of term treat for children.

Over the coming days, house point totals for this term will be shared with children in school. **All children in the winning house, with the most points, will be treated to a non-uniform day. Communication will be sent out via Arbor about this next week. Please ensure that your child only wears non-uniform if they are in the winning house.**

As we come towards the end of next term, we start to plan for the spring. Applications for places in EYFS and Year 3 must be made by 15th January 2026 via Milton Keynes Council. Please click here if you have not completed your application yet. **If you did not manage to attend one of our open days last term and still would like a tour of either of our schools, we have 2 dates planned for early in January. Please see pages 3 and 4 of this newsletter for details.**

When we return from the Christmas break, **there will be a new dismissal procedure** for our Year 1 and Year 2 children. **From January, please do not enter through the rainbow gates when dropping off in the morning or collecting your child at the end of the school day.** This new arrangement is being introduced as our Year 1 and Year 2 children are developing their independence skills, and they are ready for this. This arrangement supports their growing confidence. In addition, keeping the gates clear helps our children exit safely and allows staff to oversee entry and dismissal effectively. We appreciate that you want to be close to your child at collection time, but we ask for your cooperation in staying outside the rainbow gates. Thank you for your support as we introduce this new procedure.

As a reminder, our last day of term is Friday 19th December. School finishes at the normal time: 3:10pm.

Have a relaxing weekend!

Mrs White

Executive Headteacher

Autumn Term 2025

These dates are for both Merebrook and Emerson Valley unless otherwise indicated. NEW EVENTS IN RED.

16th December 2025	**Christmas shop for all year groups**
17th December 2025	**Pantomime for all year groups**
18th December 2025	**Merebrook Christmas Disco 3-4pm EYFS & Yr 1 / 4:15-5:15pm Year 2**
19th December 2025	**Last day of the autumn term**

Golden Book

Wagtails: Millie and Samuella

Woodpeckers: Daisy and Samuel

Robins: Arnold and Jaya

Kestrels: Emma and Dean

Starlings: Gabriella and Edy

Finches: Eesa and Luna



Christmas Hampers

Tickets are on sale until Wednesday 17th December. 20p each or £1 a strip.





Sunshine Family Centre Christmas Holiday Calendar

We welcome families who live in Furzton, Emerson Valley, Shenley Lodge, Shenley Church End, Shenley Wood, Tattenhoe, Tattenhoe Park, Loughton and Loughton Lodge, Crownhill, Kingsmead, Whitehouse, Grange Farm, Oxley Park, Westcroft, Oakhill and Medbourne.

Monday 22nd December	Tuesday 23rd December	Wednesday 24th December	Thursday 25th December	Friday 26th December
10.00-11:00 Join the Sunshine team for festive Story, Songs and Rhymes at Westcroft Library **2:00-4:00** Community Larder At The Hive Community Centre, Whitehouse & our Community Café More info at: www.sofea.uk.com	**10:00-11:30** Christmas Family Stay and Play Crafts, festive treats and songs! 	**10:00-11:30** Drop in Café Enjoy a hot drink 	**Christmas Day** Centre closed 	**Boxing Day** Centre closed 
Monday 29th December	**Tuesday 30th December**	**Wednesday 31st December**	**Thursday 1st January**	**Friday 2nd January**
Open for support Daisychain Family Centre MK3 6PS	Open for support Hedgerows Family Centre MK6 4NP	Open for support Saplings Family Centre MK2 2HB & Rainbow Family Centre MK13 7BQ	**Happy New Year!** 	**HAF** Pantomime For eligible families Bookings only

Sunshine Family Centre, Merebrook Infant School, Furzton MK4 1EZ. Tel: 01908 508566

Merebrook

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INFANT SCHOOL

OPEN AFTERNOON

Tue 6 January 2026

1:30 PM







To book a tour either call the office or send us a mail.
We would love to show you our wonderful small school with a big heart and plenty of outside space.

Merebrook Infant School,
Dulverton Drive,
Furzton
MK4 1EZ

- Tour the school
- Meet teachers
- Review curriculum
- Ask questions

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Emerson Valley School

OPEN MORNING



Community, Pride, Aspire

Thur 8 January 2026

10:15 AM





To book a tour either call the office or send us a mail.
We would love to show you our vibrant junior school for years 3-6. Fostering independent, resilient, lifelong learners.

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Hodder Lane
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