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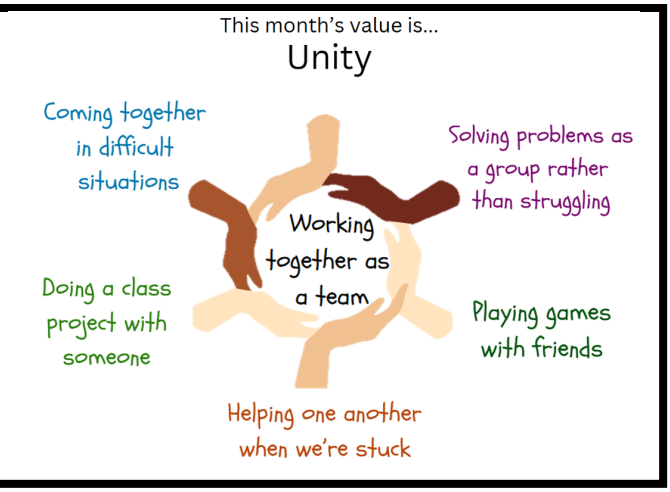
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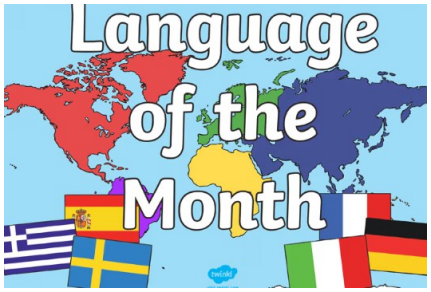
Dear Parents and Carers,

As we are seeing more sunny days, **please ensure that children arrive at school with suncream already applied and wearing a sunhat**. We know that the weather can be changeable so please keep an eye on the forecast and ensure that they have a suitable waterproof coat when needed. With so much wonderful outside space, we really enjoy making the most of it at this time of year.

As we move through the summer term, we start to think about transition into the next school year. If you have a child joining Early Years at Merebrook or Year 3 at Emerson Valley, you should have now received an email asking you to complete an online application form. If you have not yet received this, and it cannot be found in your junk mail box, please contact Mrs Grant in our EVS office by emailing office@evs5d.com.
Please remember that **on Monday school is closed for the May Day Bank Holiday**. School reopens on Tuesday as normal. Enjoy the long weekend!

Mrs White
Executive Headteacher







Golf Enrichment Day

On Monday, our whole school community enjoyed taking part in a golf enrichment day led by Stu Warren Golf. Children across the school enjoyed a session with him on what was a beautiful sunny day! Following the golf day, Stu sent us the following message: **"I just wanted to thank you and the team for making me feel so welcome and to your brilliant pupils, who really brought the energy. It's such a great school with an amazing atmosphere!"** We are so proud of our Merebrook children. We are pleased to have been able to offer this opportunity, which we funded through our PE and Sport Premium.





Golden Book

Wagtails: Millie and Casper

Robins: Seraphina and Bethel

Starlings: Zoe and Nancy

Woodpeckers: Daisy and Levi

Kestrels: Carla and Lydia

Finches: Alex, Max and Nana



Summer Term dates

These dates are for both Merebrook and Emerson Valley

7th—8th May 2026	**Year 4 Residential to Caldecotte**
11th - 14th May 2026	Year 6 SATS week
11th May 2026	**EYFS Maths workshop 2** 2-3pm
12th May 2026	**Year 1 celebration of work** at 2:30pm
13th May 2026	**Year 2 celebration of work** at 2:30pm
14th May 2026	**Year 3 celebration of work** (afternoon - time to be confirmed)
15th May 2026	EVS non-uniform day for colour raffle donation for Summer Fair
19th May 2026	**Year 4 celebration of work** (afternoon - time to be confirmed)
20th - 22nd May 2026	**Year 6 Residential to The Bushcraft Company**
21st May 2026	**Year 5 celebration of work** (afternoon - time to be confirmed)
1st June 2026	**INSET day**. School closed to children.
2nd-12th June 2026	**Year 4 Multiplication and Times Tables Check** (MTC)
4th June and 5th June 2026	**Year 3 trip to Gullivers**
13th June 2026	**EVS Summer Fair** from 11-1pm. All invited!
16th June 2026	**Merebrook Sports Day for 'Big Nest' children only** at 2pm
17th June 2026	**Merebrook Sports day** - EYFS at 9am and Key Stage 1 at 10:30am
18th June 2026	**New Year 3 parents information evening at EVS** - 5pm.
22nd and 23rd June 2026	**Year 4 to St Albans Cathedral**
23rd June 2026	**Year 2 trip to Hazard Alley** **Year 1 enrichment day: Victorians**
25th June 2026	**Years 3 and 4 Sports Day (am)**
26th June 2026	**Years 5 and 6 Sports Day (am)** **Year 6 BBQ and Sleepover**
29th June 2026	**Transition Day**
2nd July 2026	**Merebrook reserve Sports Day** (only needed if event cannot go ahead on 17th June)
6th July 2026	**EYFS, Year 1 and year 2 Awards at 2:45pm** (invite only if your child is receiving award)
7th July 2026	**EYFS trip to Woburn Safari Park** **Year 3 and 4 Awards at 1:30pm** (invite only if your child is receiving award) **Year 5 and 6 Awards at 2:15pm** (invite only if your child is receiving award)
9th July 2026	**Year 3 and 4 reserve Sports Day** (only needed if event cannot go ahead on 25th June)
10th July 2026	**Year 5 and 6 reserve Sports Day** (only needed if event cannot go ahead on 26th June)
13th July 2026	**Year 6 Production to Parents at 2pm** (Parks and Luther King parents invited)
14th July 2026	**Year 2 Leavers assembly at 9am** **Year 6 Production to Parents at 2pm** (Attenborough and Darwin parents invited)
15th July 2026	**Year 6 Prom 4:30-6:00pm**
17th July 2026	**Last day of the school year.**



RIDE MK CYCLING FESTIVAL

1.6 KM READY SET GO ROUTE

14 JUNE **11:00** **RIDE HIGH EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, MILTON KEYNES**



Jump on your bike, trike or scooter and cycle our route at Tear Drops Lake.

Come along in **fancy dress** (our theme is carnival circus), with a prize for the best costume.

Open to children aged 0-8yrs. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. All participants will receive a medal, goody bag and ice cream, and there will be a festival afterwards for the whole family to enjoy.

The Ready Set Go Route is part of Ride MK - a fundraising event organised by children's charity Ride High. All participants are asked to raise money to support their work with vulnerable and disadvantaged children in Milton Keynes.

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Additional Ride MK Routes: 100km and 50km Road and 25km Redways. Register as a team, ride independently or join a guided group.



RIDE MK CYCLING FESTIVAL

25 KM REDWAY ROUTE

14 JUNE **10:00** **RIDE HIGH EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, MILTON KEYNES**





A rewarding 25km ride perfect for beginners, families and anyone looking to get back into cycling, offering just the right level of challenge in a traffic-free setting.

Explore Milton Keynes on a signposted Redway route, starting and finishing at Ride High, where a festival atmosphere awaits at the finish line.

Ride your way - solo, as a team, or join a guided group. All participants will receive a medal with the option of a free pint of beer or an ice cream. Children will receive a goody bag.

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SAVE THE DATE!

EVS SUMMER FAIR

SATURDAY 13TH JUNE

11am-1pm



More info to follow..

Emerson Valley