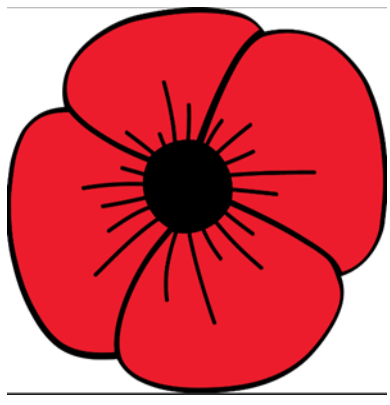


## Welcome to our NEWSLETTER 17.11.23

Blue 2 have been practising their cutting and fine motor skills by making poppies.



### Autumn Outdoor Learning Challenge

Your challenge for this week is to jump in puddles!  
 Embrace the wet weather and put on your waterproofs and wellingtons. We would love to see photos and/or videos on Evidence for Learning.



### Thank you!

Travis Perkins from Bishop Auckland donated materials for us to build a new permanent fire pit in our Forest School area. Thank you so much!





## Christmas Fayre

Our Christmas Fayre will be held on Tuesday 12th December, 4 -6.30 pm. There will be local businesses, Edzoocation and circus performers. There will also be a raffle with some great prizes and of course Santa himself! More details to follow!

## Medication in school

Polite reminder that children must have a signed medication form sent in as staff cannot administer medication without it.

## Magic Breakfast

Evergreen is part of the Magic Breakfast scheme. The charity's aim is to ensure that no child starts the day too hungry to learn. We are pleased to offer a healthy school breakfast, available to all! This includes a range of cereals, toast or bagels.

## Names on clothing

We regularly have items of clothing which are lost around school. To help us identify who the clothing belongs to and return items to their rightful owners, could we please ask that all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name.

## Evidence for Learning

Please check the EfL app regularly to see all the lovely photos and videos of your child's learning each week. If you are having problems logging on, please contact Claire:

conions@evergreenprimary.co.uk

We have run a couple of Evidence for Learning workshop for parents and are looking to run more in the Spring Term.

## Sickness

Please remember that children who have vomited or have had diarrhoea should remain off school for 48 hours from the last episode. This is following government guidance to ensure your child is fully fit before returning to school and also to help stop the spread of illness to children and staff. For more information, click on this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities/managing-specific-infectious-diseases-a-to-z#diarrhoea-and-vomiting-gastroenteritis>



# Wellbeing



## Football for all

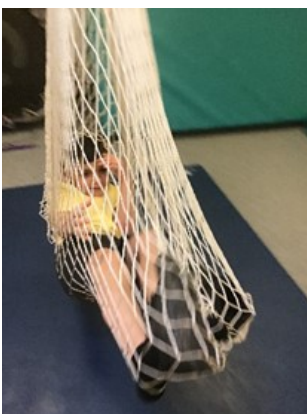
Football sessions have started for curriculum development and after school clubs. This term's football club is on a Tuesday 3.15pm—4pm. If anyone is still interested in joining we have a few spaces left. Please contact the school and ask for Kay or Jayne who would be happy to help you.

## NEAS Visit - Interschool Sportsability Festival.

On Wednesday 8th November we held a Sportsability Festival at our school. This was part of our inter-schools festival, celebrating Physical Health and Wellbeing.

10 pupils from NEAS visited our event and 3 classes in school (Purple 1, Red 4 and Yellow 3) also attended. The aim of the event was to provide a safe spaces for pupils to explore physical fun activities alongside pupils from another school.

All pupils who took part enjoyed the activities which included Rebound Therapy, a reaction time board, Gymnastics, and Commando Joes a survival type set of missions).



## Sensory Regulation Therapy

We are very lucky to have Future Steps Occupational Therapy working with us one day a week. They work with our pupils who have sensory regulation needs. They provide a programme to help with hyper and hypo sensitivities. This programme is provided regularly for pupils to support them in their learning. Activities may include swinging, jumping, hanging, quiet spaces, music, vibration and much more.

## IT IS OK TO...

BE YOURSELF

NOT KNOW EVERYTHING

SAY NO

ASK FOR HELP

HAVE BAD DAYS

MAKE MISTAKES

NOT BE OK

START OVER



### School holidays for the 2023/2024 academic year

Holiday	Closing Date	Date Re-opens for Teaching Purposes
Summer 2023 (6 weeks 2 days)	Friday 21 July 2023	Wednesday 6 September 2023
Autumn Half-Term 2023 (1 week)	Friday 27 October 2023	Monday 6 November 2023
Christmas 2023 (2 weeks 1 day)	Tuesday 19 December 2023	Thursday 4 January 2024
Spring Half-Term 2024 (1 week)	Friday 16 February 2024	Monday 26 February 2024
Easter 2024 (2 weeks 3 days)	Thursday 28 March 2024	Wednesday 17 April 2024
May Bank Holiday (1 day)	Friday 3 May 2024	Tuesday 7 May 2024
Summer Half-Term 2024 (1 week)	Friday 24 May 2024	Monday 3 June 2024
Summer 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024	TBA

**Inset days 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024**  
**15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

## Dates for Christmas

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 10 am Christmas Play for Blue 1, 2, 3, 4

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 11 am Christmas Play for Red 1, 2, 3, 4

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 10 am – Christmas Play for Purple 1, Red 5, 6, Yellow 1, 2, 6 and Orange 1, 2, 3, 4

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 10 am – Carol Concert for Yellow 3, 4, 5

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas dinner (wear your Christmas Jumper!)

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day and a visit from Farmer Christmas on his tractor!

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Parties for Blue 1, 2, 3, 4 and Red 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Parties for Purple 1, Yellow 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and Orange 1, 2, 3, 4

## Lumiere

This will be our Fabulous Finish and will be held on Tuesday 28th November, 4—5.30 pm. More details to follow