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Through dynamic teaching, a highly creative curriculum and supportive environment, every Egerton child gains a passion for learning. When combined with the knowledge, skills and values they develop, we enable our children to fulfil their potential as global citizens in an ever-changing world

This first half term has been undeniably tough for the children, the staff and for families. Covid has significantly affected our school and the bubble system had to be reintroduced for the past 4 weeks. This had the desired effect of slowing down transmission rates and ensuring more children remained in school.

Sadly, a number of our staff did test positive and have been quite poorly, despite all the staff being double vaccinated. Replacing staff has been a significant challenge but I would like to thank all of the staff at Egerton for their unwavering commitment to ensure every day was a great day for your children.

Arrangements after half term

We will be reverting to our usual daily arrangements:

- Gate opens at 8.40am
- Junior children go straight into school at 8.45am
- Infant children and parents remain on their playground until a whistle at 8.55am
- Pick up at 3.20pm. Gate opened at 3.10pm
- Junior parents can go through to the Junior playground at pick up

The children will be able to play together with normal lunch arrangements and we are hoping to start Phys Kids as soon as possible, led by the Year 6 children for two lunchtimes every week. Assemblies will begin too!

Thank you!

We would like to say a huge thank you to the parents of last year's Year 6. For some thirty years there has been a tradition that the Year 6 parents present the school with a gift. This came originally from the parents. Gifts have included a bird table, solar powered water fountain, play equipment and a bench all to be used and appreciated by all children. This year the gift was a reading bench. It is used every single day and is situated in the school garden.



New Adventure Playground

The adventure playground next to the school garden will be replaced over half term. The work started yesterday and the children enjoyed watching the start of the transformation!

INSET Day – Monday 1 November

On behalf of the staff, I would like to wish you all a restful half term! We look forward to welcoming you all back for a fresh start on Tuesday 2 November.



New Lunchtime Menu starts after half term.
Please find attached

After School Clubs

After school clubs will resume week commencing 8th November (Choir 15th Nov)

Mondays-Miss Garvey and Miss Thorpe will be running choir (confirmations of choir places were confirmed in September) NO CHOIR on 8th November due to Parents' Meetings with teachers.

Tuesdays-Netball: all Years 5&6 are welcome to join the netball training.

Thursdays and Fridays-Multiflex for Years 1-6. All details and to make a booking please see Multiflex website. Any children who were booked on for this half term, their missed sessions will carry over into next half term. Please contact Mr Webb if you would prefer a refund.

<https://www.multiflex-sports.co.uk/>

New After School Club

Kathryn King has been running an after school club at Egerton for many years and will be running karate after school on a Wednesday. She offers an introduction to Karate in a fun environment that will help your child develop their confidence, co-ordination, concentration, flexibility and overall fitness.

Karate is taught in a disciplined environment that helps teach respect along with physical and mental discipline. Belts & certificates awarded to all students on completion of their first term training.

Children from age 5+

Kathryn is a fully qualified 4th Dan black belt instructor and World & European medalist 2019.

A Peek in the classroom this week!

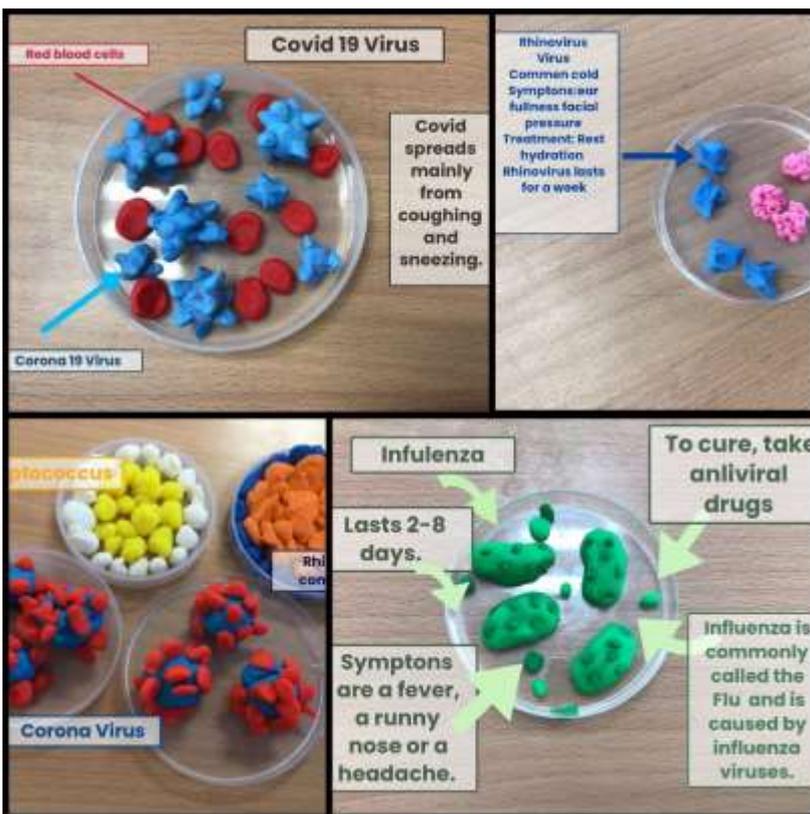
Year 4 had a wonderful trip to Chester as part of their Roman Britain theme this half-term. We explored a recreation of the original barracks then went on a march around the city equipped with a sword and shield. Here the class are voting for poor Mrs Bagnall to be put to the sword in the arena! Oh dear!



This week in Year 2 the children had their fabulous finish. They complete a food themed obstacle course and had lots of fun!



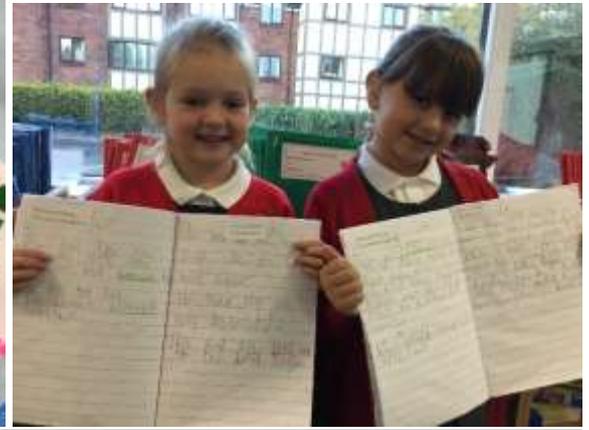
In Year 6, as part of our Science topic, we were learning all about microbes. Micro-organisms are very tiny living things. They are so small that you need a microscope to see them. We learnt that there are three main groups of micro-organisms: virus, bacteria and fungi, and that some microbes are harmful and others are useful. Finally, we used play dough to create our own microbes.



In Year 5, we had a go at making Anglo Saxon 'Royal' bread! We used ingredients like wheat flour and oats and had to make sure everything was carefully measured out. It was a tough dough so we were very tired after all the kneading! Great team work by all (and some future Star Bakers I think!)



We have had a busy week in Class 1. We finished our stories of the Three Little Pigs which included suffixes, adjectives and 'and' to join clauses. We also made house collages, carefully selecting materials to suit each element.



This week in Year 3, we have used compass points to give directions. The children have worked really hard and remembered the compass points really well.

L.O. To use the 8 points of the compass.

	factory		restaurant
school	park	hospital	
bus stop	post box		shop
the station	toy shop	cinema	
market	cafe	golf	
zoo	public houses		beach
bus stop	cinema	Start	supermarket

Make some of your own sentences like these and write them into your book.



We have had a spooky week in Reception. Our focus book was *Potion Commotion* by Peter Bently. The children have spent the week helping the main character 'Betty' make potions and complete spells. We have had lots of fun!

EGERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL
HOLIDAY DATES 2021/22

	School Closes	School Re-opens
Autumn Half-Term	Friday, 22 October 2021	Tuesday, 2 November 2021
Christmas	Friday, 17 December 2021	Wednesday, 5 January 2022
Spring Half-Term	Friday, 18 February 2022	Monday 28 th February 2022

Easter	Friday, 1 April 2022	Tuesday, 19 April 2022
May Day	Friday, 29 April 2022	Tuesday, 3 May 2022
Summer Half-Term	Friday, 27 May 2022	Monday, 6 June 2022
Summer	Thursday, 21 July 2022	Monday 5 th September 2022

INSET Days: Monday 1st November, Tuesday 4th January

An extra day off has been allocated on Friday 22 July 2022 to take into account the Bank Holiday for The Queen's Jubilee which falls in half term.