



Edition 3 of 2015/16 – Wednesday 18th November 2015

At the going down of the sun, we will remember them.

Accelerated Reading Scheme

We are coming to the end of our tenth week of running Accelerated Reader across all Key Stage 3 English classes, and are beginning to see real progress and increased engagement amongst students. Accelerated Reader enables us to assess students reading levels and help them find appropriate books for their ability. Students can then take quizzes on any book they have finished. This allows them to monitor their own progress by seeing how many books they have read, how well they passed the quizzes and how many words they have read in total.

So far Key Stage 3 have read 1,505 books and a staggering 32,651,261 words since the scheme began! We have improved our library stock with about 600 new books, with Diary of a Wimpy Kid, the Alex Rider series and Michael Morpurgo books proving especially popular with EMC students.

Every other week we update our STAR Reader board in the library where we celebrate individual students for the progress they have made. Our current Star Readers all achieved this honour by passing their reading quizzes with near perfect accuracy, demonstrating that they have not only been reading voraciously, but also thoroughly! These students are:

Luke Morris 100% 5/5 (Year 7)
Lily Fisher 98.3% 11/11 (Year 8)
Shannon Wedlake 97.5% 7/7 (Year 7)
Jude Faulkner-Blake 96% 5/5 (Year 7)
Shannon Watton 96% 5/5 (Year 8)
Oskar Hart 95.9% 11/11 (Year 7)
Linda Barker 95.7% 6/6 (Year 9)

We also have 7 word millionaires and multi-millionaires! These students have read over 1,000,000 words whilst maintaining a pass rate of over 80%! They are:

Amy Small, 87.4%, 3,575,614 words (Year 9)
Harry Burke, 92.2%, 2,694,788 words (Year 7)
Matthew Chedgzoy, 86.3%, 2,017,416 words (Year 7)
Alwin Thomas, 82.4%, 1,380,772 words (Year 7)
Lily Fisher, 98.3%, 1,321,153 words (Year 8)
Chloe King, 88.8%, 1,233,596 words (Year 8)
Oskar Hart 95.9%, 1,057,503 words (Year 7)

We hope to see students continuing to engage with the library and enjoying reading!

Parents, Carers and Students



EMC College Council Update

Miss Anderson would like to introduce and congratulate the new 2015/2016 College Council. These students have been selected by their peers to represent their year groups. They have pledged to do their very best for the College and wider community. Exciting events and success await, so watch this space!

Year 11

- Joe Locke (Head Boy)
- Charlotte Herbert (Head girl)
- Alfie Stanik
- Karolina Jagiellowicz
- Abigail Jones

Year 10

- Myles Gordon
- Angel Stuchbery

Year 9

- Jack Jones
- Phoebe Spencer

Year 8

- Emily Alder
- Alfie Darker O Rourke

Year 7

- Daniel Davies
- Chloe Davies

The NEW College Council made their first outing as a team to represent the College and did an excellent job. Many members of the public commented on how smart they looked and how lovely it was to still see the younger generation commemorate those who have given their lives in the name of their country. The day was an excellent success and showed just how well Leominster and the College highlights community spirit



Earl Mortimer College PTFA

CHRISTMAS

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QUIZ NIGHT



All profits will be used to buy future College resources for the students

Be there:

Thursday 26th November, 7pm

The price?

£2 to enter, max 6 per team.

CASH PRIZES, BAR, REFRESHMENTS!

Parents, carers, students, friends, family, neighbours... all are welcome to join the fun in the EMC Community Theatre!



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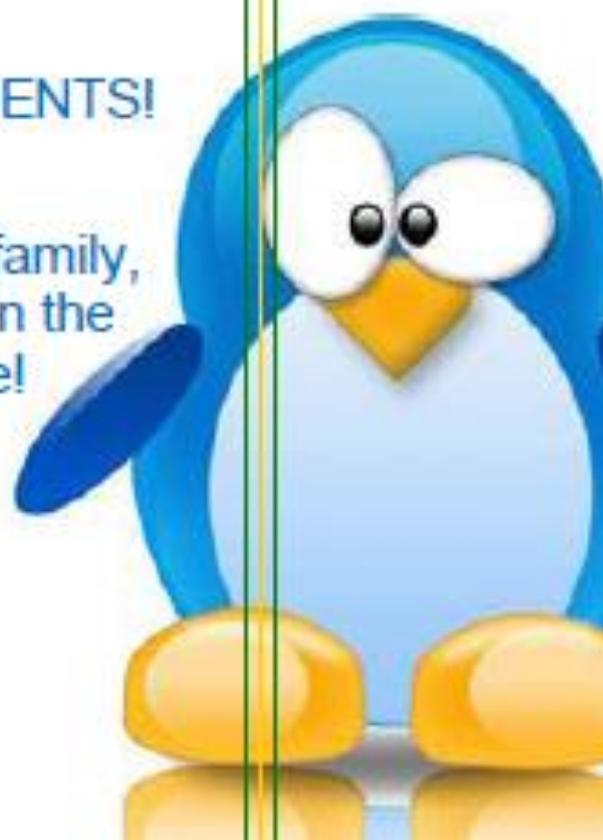
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Accelerated Reader News

The first half term has been a huge success for Key Stage Three students taking part in the Accelerated Reader scheme. In total, these students have read an incredible **1,072** books. This is an outstanding achievement!

Key Stage 3 Summary:

- Year 7 have read a total of 423 books (7,404,436 words).
- Year 8 have read a total of 415 books (4,359,249 words).
- Year 9 have read a total of 234 books (6,425,704 words).

Our top readers last half term were:

Oliver Goode (Year 8): 37 books read with 95.4% accuracy on his quizzes.

Amy Small (Year 9): 2,486,554 words read with 86% accuracy on her quizzes.

Harry Burke (Year 7): 1,496,967 words read with an impressive 97.9% accuracy.

Remember to complete your reading outside of class and have your reading log signed at home. We would like to say thank you and well done to all Key Stage Three students. Keep up the good work!



New help pages on the EMC web site

Have you seen the new pages at www.earlmortimer.org.uk? We have listened to your views and teamed up with the NHS and Childnet.com to bring you help and advice. Click the "Students" tab to find out how to stay safe online (e-safety) and how to handle some of life's issues such as anti-bullying and managing exam pressure. There are links to their websites so you can surf straight to the info that matters.



The Big Switch on!

EMC Choir will be performing at the Leominster Christmas Light Switch on, on Saturday 28th November. It would be great for students and parents to come along and support our students.



EMC

FOOD DRIVE

November/December



Please donate

- Tins
- Dried food
- Chocolates
- Pasta
- Place the food donations in the boxes in the Street area at break time.

REMEMBER!

All food must be at least one month in date!

ALL food will be donated to Leominster Food Bank, helping those in need.



Win a Helicopter Ride
for 4 people.....
THE ultimate
Christmas Gift

Hohoho... Kimbolton
St James PTFA,
proudly present
their 'Grand
Christmas Raffle'

Tickets just £1 a strip

Draw will take place
Friday 04th Dec

Many amazing prizes
including a helicopter ride
from Leominster for 4,
Small Print jewellery
worth £80 and lots more

Get your tickets now from
school office or a PTFA
member

All proceeds to Kimbolton
St James PTFA

EMC Sports Specialism – Inside Sport



North Hereford Primary Schools Quickstix Tournament

The Year 11 Young Leaders were officiating at the annual Quickstix tournament, held on the EMC astro just before half term. Five local teams were in action, showing a high range of skills and a lovely competitive spirit. The Hereford Winter Games organiser, Liam Brewer was impressed with the umpires and the players. Well done to our leaders Amber, Charlotte, Dan, Charlie, Joe and Oli and many congratulations to qualifiers, the runners up Stoke Prior and winners from Orleton.



Mr Morris Hoping For Insulation

Movember is here and it's time to raise awareness of Men's Health. Mr Morris is attempting to grow a moustache to compensate for the lack of hair on top of his head!

He would welcome any donations – please visit <http://mobro.co/geoffmorris> if you would like to donate. However equally important is the need for greater knowledge of Men's Health issues. Amongst Mr Morris's friends and family there are people suffering with Prostate Cancer – greater awareness may prevent this for others – please take the time to read up and suggest regular health checks for your nearest and dearest.



Netball Practice Update

Netball practices will be as follows:

Tuesday – Years 7&8 in the Sports Hall

Thursday – Years 9-11 on the Courts.

