



School News

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I hope you all had a lovely summer break and enjoyed time spent with family. It is lovely to have all the children back in school after such a long time away for some of you. Although things may be a little different at the moment all the staff are looking forward to the year ahead and helping you all settle back in to school life. Thank you for your help and support in doing so safely.

SCHOOL DIARY

Wednesday, 9th September - New Fledglings start part-time.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Partnership with parents meeting

Each term I will host a 'Partnership with Parents Meeting'. This term it will be held via zoom on **Friday 11th September 9:30-10:00**. Our topic of discussion will be 'the return to school', it will be your chance to discuss and feedback on the children's return so far. I look forward to hearing your views. The zoom invite is below:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73517341384?pwd=UEswWThQZThqanpXcHc3OXVDRQ1FUdz09>

Meeting ID: 735 1734 1384

Passcode: hZ0E5t

Absent from School

Please can we remind parents of the importance of letting us know if your child will not be in school. Please telephone the school office on 01304 611360 **before 9.00am** to let us know if they will not be in school and the reason for this so that any appropriate action can be taken if necessary.

If your child or any member of your household presents one of the following symptoms:

- High temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A loss or change to their sense of smell or taste.

You must stay at home, arrange a test and self-isolate for 7 days from when their symptoms started or until you receive a negative test result. Anyone in your house who does not have symptoms must self-isolate for 14 days from when the first person in your home started having symptoms.

Your child and you must also stay at home if:

you're waiting for a coronavirus test result

you've tested positive for coronavirus – this means you have coronavirus

you live with someone who has symptoms, is waiting for a test result or has tested positive

You must also follow any guidelines given by the NHS test and trace.

Please inform the school of the result of any test once known so that we can respond accordingly.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS cont'd

We thought it might be helpful to include the current drop and collection times recently emailed to you for future reference.

Year group	Drop off time	Drop off location	Collection time	Collection location
Fledglings (after half days)	9:00-9:10	Through gun park gate	15:30	Through gun park gate
Year 1 and 2	8:35-8:45	Through the staff carpark and through the field gate	15:00-15:10	Through the staff carpark and through the field gate
Year 3 and 4	8:45-8:55	Through gun park gate	15:15-15:25	Through gun park gate
Year 5 and 6	8:35-8:45	Through gun park gate	15:00-15:10	Through gun park gate

Please can we also ask parents to use the whole of the gun park area when waiting to drop or collect your child helping to keep the entrance to the school clear and free from overcrowding.

Early Morning Club

Please can we remind parents that Early Morning Club must be booked and paid for in advance. The club runs from 8.00am and cost £1.00 per day. For further information or to book please telephone to school office.

School Uniform Orders

Children have come home this week with a form to order school uniform through the school. This needs to be returned to the school by Friday, 18th September, with your payment. School uniform can still be ordered direct with Brigade by visiting <http://www.brigade.uk.com> and will be delivered to the school for free and to your home for a small charge. Please be aware that there is a delay in Brigade being able to dispatch uniform due to the impact of Covid-19 on their supply chain but they are working hard to fulfil orders as soon as possible.

PE Kit

Further to my letter sent to you on 25 August, children are asked to wear their PE kit to school on PE days. Your child's teacher will be sending home a class newsletter on 11 September which will detail what days your child has PE. For the time being the government guidelines are that PE lessons will be outdoors. You may therefore like to dress your child in navy or black jogging bottoms and a school sweatshirt or plain navy sweatshirt as we move in to autumn season. Please can we remind you that team football kits and logo sweatshirts/bottoms should not be worn.

Good Fridays

Last academic year we introduced Good Fridays to celebrate children, parents, staff and members of the community who had gone above and beyond. Showing acts of kindness, sporting accomplishments, music accomplishments or contributing to our community school or Eastry in a positive way. Please send me your nominations and they will be shared each Friday.

Update to the 'Useful Guidance for Parents and Carers'

The government have updated their Useful Guidance for Parents and Carers which can be found at; https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak?utm_source=2%20September%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Playing in the Gun Park after school

We have received a call from a concerned parent regarding the children playing together in the gun park after school. Please can we ask parents to be mindful of the need to socially distance especially at this busy time of the day when there may be children from different year groups in this area. We hope that the staggered start and end times help to keep the children safe.

Please find attached Term Dates and other dates throughout the year that you may find useful.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sarah Moss
Headteacher

School Term and Holiday Dates 2020/2021

Term 1 (2020)

Training Day	Tuesday 1 st September 2020
School starts	Wednesday 2 nd September
School finishes	Thursday 22 nd October 2020
Training Day	Friday 23 rd October 2020

Term 2 (2020)

School starts	Monday 2 nd November 2020
School finishes	Thursday 17 th December 2020
Training Day	Friday 18 th December 2020

Term 3 (2021)

School starts	Monday 4 th January 2021
School finishes	Friday 12 th February 2021

Term 4 (2021)

Training Day	Monday 22 nd February 2021
School starts	Tuesday 23 rd February 2021
School finishes	Thursday 1 st April 2021

Term 5 (2021)

School starts	Monday 19 th April 2021
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May 2021
School finishes	Friday 28 th May 2021

Term 6 (2021)

School starts	Monday 7 th June 2021
Training Day	Friday 25 th June 2021
School finishes	Friday 21 st July 2021

Key Dates:

(subject to National situation and changes)

Term 1 (please note these will be virtual for Term 1 and the situation reviewed for Term 2):

- Friday 11th September:** Partnership with Parents Group (PPG)
- Friday 11th September:** Class Newsletters and Topic Home Learning set
- Friday 11th September:** Year 6 Class Worship
- Friday 18th September:** Year 5 Class Worship
- Friday 25th September:** Year 4 Class Worship
- Friday 2nd October:** Year 3 Class Worship
- Friday 2nd October:** Fledglings Welcome service
- Tuesday 6th October:** Harvest Service
- Friday 9th October:** Year 2 Class Worship
- Thursday 15th October:** Kent Test
- Friday 16th October:** Inspire Day- Black history.
- Wednesday 21st October:** Topic Home Learning Due
- Thursday 22nd October:** Open Classroom for parents

Term 2

- Friday 2nd November:** Class Newsletters and Topic Home Learning Set
- Friday 2nd November:** Year 1 Class Worship
- Monday 9th November:** Parents Meetings
- Wednesday 11th November:** Parents Meetings
- Wednesday 11th November:** Remembrance service Year 5 and 6
- Friday 13th November:** Children in Need
- Friday 13th November:** Partnership with Parents Group (PPG)
- Monday 16th November:** Inspire Day- Diwali
- Monday 16th November:** Fledgling Starters 2021 Information Evening
- Friday 20th November:** Fledglings Class Worship
- Friday 27th November:** Year 6 Class Worship
- Tuesday 1st December:** Christingle Service (Infants)
- Friday 4th December:** Year 5 Class Worship
- Monday 7th December:** Reception Christmas Show
- Tuesday 8th December:** Reception Christmas Show
- Tuesday 8th December:** Christingle Service (Juniors)
- Wednesday 9th December:** Christmas Dinner
- Friday 11th December:** Year 4 Class Worship
- Monday 14th December:** Year 1 and 2 Nativity
- Tuesday 15th December:** St Nicolas Service (Infants)
- Wednesday 16th December:** Topic Home Learning Due in
- Wednesday 16th December:** Year 1 and 2 Nativity
- Thursday 17th December:** Christmas party
- Thursday 17th December:** Open Classroom (15:00-15:25)

Term 3:

Wednesday 6th January: Epiphany Service (Juniors)

Friday 8th January: Year 3 Class Worship

Friday 8th January: Class Newsletters and Topic Home Learning set

Friday 15th January: Partnership with Parents Group (PPG)

Friday 15th January: Year 2 Class Worship

Friday 22nd January: Year 1 Class Worship

Friday 29th January: Fledglings Class Worship

Friday 5th February: Year 6 Class Worship

Tuesday 9th February: Pancake races

Wednesday 10th February: Inspire Day- Esafety

Wednesday 10th February: Topic Home Learning due in

Thursday 11th February: Founders Day Service

Friday 12th February: Mid-Year Reports go home

Friday 12th February: Open Classrooms

Term 4:

Friday 26th February: Year 5 worship

Friday 26th February: Class Newsletters and Topic Home Learning set

Friday 5th March: World Book Day Celebrations

Friday 5th March: Partnership with Parents Group (PPG)

Friday 12th March: Year 4 Class Worship

Monday 15th March: Parents Meetings

Wednesday 17th March: Parents Meetings

Friday 19th March: Inspire Day: Nicholas Lowinger and Katie Stagliano- Helping the homeless for Red Nose Day

Friday 26th March: Year 3 Class Worship

Tuesday 30th March: Easter Service

Wednesday 31st March: Topic Home Learning Due in

Thursday 1st April: Egg rolling competition and egg decoration

Thursday 1st April: Open Classroom

Term 5:

Friday 23rd April: Class Newsletters and Topic Home Learning set

Friday 23rd April: Year 2 Class Worship

Friday 30th April: Partnership with Parents Group (PPG)

Friday 30th April: Year 1 Class Worship

Friday 7th May: Fledglings Class Worship

Friday 14th May: Inspire Day- Eid al Fitr

Friday 21st May: Year 6 Class Worship

Wednesday 26th May: Topic Home Learning Due

Friday 28th May: Year 5 Class Worship

Friday 28th May: Open Classroom

Term 6:

Friday 11th June: Year 4 Class Worship

Friday 11th June: Class Newsletters and Topic Home Learning set

Friday 18th June: Partnership with Parents Group (PPG)

Friday 18th June: Year 3 Class Worship

Thursday 1st July: Inspire Day- Paralympics

Friday 2nd July: Sports Day

Monday 5th July: Reserve Sports Day

Friday 9th July: Class Worship Year 2

Tuesday 13th July: Year 6 Production

Wednesday 14th July: Year 6 Production

Wednesday 14th July: Topic Home Learning due

Friday 16th July: Leavers Service

Friday 16th July: Open Classroom

Friday 16th July: End of Year Reports out

Friday 16th July: Clap out for Year 6 Leavers

Further details about these events will follow nearer to the time