



School News

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SCHOOL DIARY



Friday, 14 February - Crazy Hair Day

Children are invited to come to school with crazy hair for a small donation to support the School Council who are raising funds which they hope to use for new playground equipment. School uniform should be worn as normal.

Friday, 14 February - Year 3 Class Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall

Parents, carers and other family members of children in Year 3 are welcome to attend.

Friday, 14 February - Open Classroom from 2.00pm

Parents and carers are invited to visit their child's class from 2.00pm. Children may be taken home once finished.

Friday, 14 February - Last Day of Term 3

Monday, 24 February - First Day of Term 4

Thursday, 27 February - Year 4 Swimming

Thursday, 27 February - Year 6 Forest School

Please can children wear old clothes, long trousers, a warm waterproof coat and **trainers or shoes**. Please can children also bring wellington boots in a carrier bag to change in to whilst taking part in Forest School.

Friday, 28 February - Year 1 Class Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall

Parents, carers and other family members of children in Year 1 are welcome to attend

SCHOOL NEWS

IPads for the Children

We would like to thank Ms Austin & Mr Williams, Mr & Mrs Carr, Mr & Mrs Evans, Mr & Mrs Evans (Grandparents) and Mr Li & Mrs Chen for the kind donations towards IPads for the children.

Term and Holiday Dates for 2020/21

Please see the attached details regarding term dates for the next academic year. Please note that there are 4 remaining Inset Days to be taken.

Year 6 Leavers' Service - CHANGE OF DATE

It has been necessary to change the date of the Year 6 Leavers' Service to Tuesday, 21 July at 9.15am as the previous date coincided with the church flower festival.

SCHOOL NEWS - cont'd

Bird Box Goes Live!

We are pleased to announce that our Bird Box has once again gone live! If you would like to watch the comings and goings again this year, please visit <http://www.seenature.org.uk/schools/eastry-primary-school/>. There is also a link available on the school's website under Useful Links. Last year the birds starting nesting on 5 February so fingers crossed we will have visitors soon!

Keep Us Up-To-Date!

Please can we remind parents to keep us up-to-date should you change your telephone number or address. We have recently had a couple incidents where we have been unable to contact parents as the information we had was out of date. Thank you for your co-operation.

PTA NEWS

A big thank you to everyone who supported the school discos last Friday and especially to everyone who came along to help. It was lovely to meet some new parents and we made an amazing £463.71 which will go towards paying for new IT equipment for the children.

Forthcoming PTA events:

Friday, 28 February - After school tuck shop

Week Commencing 16 March - Mother's Day Present Wrapping Service

Friday, 27 March - Easter Film Night (further details to follow)

INTERNET SAFETY SECTION

Be Share Aware - Talk to your child about being share aware and why they shouldn't give out any personal information. It's also important to talk to them about not sharing videos that they can be identified by - such as them wearing school uniforms or by road names for example. Remind them that anything they do on video chats can be recorded. They shouldn't feel pressured into doing anything that they feel uncomfortable about.

EASTRY CHOIR

Eastry School and St. Mary's Church, Eastry have joined forces to create a junior choir. Choir practise will be led by Mrs Gleave, teacher at the school. If you would like to join them, practise will be held **every other Thursday**, starting on Thursday, 27 February, in Year 3 from 3.30 to 4.30pm for children in Year 3, 4, 5 & 6. Please let the school know if you would like to attend, thank you.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Week commencing 24.2.2020

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MONDAY	
Dance	Yes
Games	Yes
TUESDAY	
Golf	Yes
Netball	Yes
Ballet	Yes
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	
Multisport	Yes
Art	Yes
Choir	Yes
FRIDAY	
Football (Mini Kickers)	Yes
If you are interested in joining any of our After School Clubs, please ask at the school office – thank you.	

OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS

Flu Vaccination

We have been asked by Kent Community Health NHS Trust to remind parents that, even though it's best to get vaccinated as soon as the flu vaccine is available, getting the vaccine later can still help protect against the flu virus. The Kent and Medway Immunisation team is running clinics over the February half term. To book a clinic appointment please contact them on kchft.cyp-immunisationteam@nhs.net or 0300 123 5205.

Coronavirus

We would like to give parents and carers some general advice from Public Health in regards to the Coronavirus. You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the virus and there is no need for your child not to continue to attend school as normal. However, with the half term break, the government recommend you should avoid all but essential travel to China. If you are travelling to China, Thailand, Japan, Republic of Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia and Macau and also displaying symptoms of the virus then you should stay indoors, avoid contact with other people and telephone NHS 111 for further advice. Please contact NHS 111 if you have travelled to the Wuhan or Hubei Province of China in the last 14 days and avoid contact with other people.

As with normal recommendations, particularly at this time of the year with coughs, colds and sickness bugs, we would like to promote and remind children of basic hygiene practises, such as regularly washing hands thoroughly and always sneezing in to a tissue.

Further information can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sarah Moss
Associate Headteacher

School Term and Holiday Dates 2020/2021

Term 1 (2020)

INSET DAY	Tuesday, 1st September 2020
School starts	Wednesday, 2nd September 2020
School finishes	Friday 23 rd October 2020

Term 2 (2020)

School starts	Monday 2 nd November 2020
School Finishes	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)

School starts	Monday 22 nd 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
School finishes	Wednesday 21 st July 2021

Please note there are 4 more INSET DAYS to be taken