

Welcome back to Term 5, I hope you had a lovely Easter Break. I would like to welcome Mrs Jenny Ashley-Jones who joins us as Executive Headteacher and we look forward to working with her.

Dear Parents & Carers,

I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Executive Headteacher of Eastry. I am delighted to be working at the school alongside such a dedicated staff group and I have had the opportunity to meet your delightful children this week when popping into classrooms to monitor the learning which is going on in lessons.



My substantive position is as Headteacher at Reculver CE Primary school, a large primary school in Herne Bay which also has a specialist resourced provision for children with visual impairment and also a designation for children with cognition and learning difficulties. We recently were visited by OFSTED who judged the school to be outstanding in all areas. Like Eastry, we are also a Church of England primary school.

I am also local to the area, my children having attended Wingham Primary which is part of the STAR Alliance that Eastry collaborate with, where I was also a governor for many years.

I have been working closely alongside Mrs Plant and the governors for the last few weeks now: I am focussing on the more strategic leadership roles to allow Mrs Plant the time to concentrate on the day to day running of the school and also her role as SENCO. I will be at Eastry for around two days each week, usually on a Wednesday and Friday, so I may well meet some of you then.

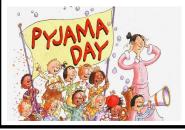
I will continue to work in this role until a substantive headteacher is appointed, and the governors will keep you up to date with this information when it is available.

With my best wishes

Jenny Ashley-Jones

Executive Headteacher

## SCHOOL DIARY



### Friday, 26 April - Pyjama & Bad Hair Day in aid of Toybox

Children are invited to wear their pyjamas and/or have a crazy hair style on Friday, 26 April for a suggested donation of £1.00. All donations will go to the charity Toybox which you may recall Year 5 gave a presentation about in our Founder's Day Service. Toybox's vision is a world without street children and we hope you will support this very worthy cause.

## **OTHER SCHOOL NEWS**

Monday, 29 April - School Class Photographs

Monday, 29 April - PTA Meeting at 2.00pm in the Extra Room

Tuesday, 30 April - Year 2 Swimming

#### Thursday, 2 May – Visit by Children from Ecole Sainte Geneviève School, France

On Thursday, 2 May children in Year 3 and 4 will be visited by the children from Ecole Sainte Geneviève School in France. During the day the children will take part in joint activities and share lunch together. The French children will be leaving at 4.30pm for their return journey. Children in Year 3 and 4 are welcome to stay until 4.30pm. **Please note that there is no Kurling Club on Thursday, 2 May.** 

Thursday, 2 May - Last Day for School Wear Orders

#### PTA NEWS

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On Friday, 17 May we will be holding a Fashion Show at the school. Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start. During the evening there will be a live Catwalk Show and ample time to try on and buy this season's High Street and branded fashions. Tickets cost £5.00 per adult, £1.00 per child which includes a glass of fizz and entry for a chance to win a Sunday lunch for two at The Five Bells, Eastry. Tickets can be purchased from the school office or at Eastry Post Office. We hope you will be able to join us.

# **INTERNET SAFETY SECTION**

#### Do your children have any online friends?

Children can form positive relationships with people online, and this has become more common thanks to online multi-player options. But they may not fully understand the difference between a friend and a stranger. You could make the questions more specific to your child, for example. 'Have you met anyone online that you like to play games with?' They may not want to share this information with you, so ensure you teach them about healthy relationships.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Plant Head of School

#### After School Clubs

Please note there is no **Netball Club** next week as Mrs Hollowday is unavailable. Netball Club will commence on Monday, 13 May.

There is also no **Kurling Club** next week as we have the French children visiting us.

| AFTER | SCHOOL | CLUBS |
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| Week commencing 29.4.19 |     |  |
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| MONDAY                  |     |  |
| Netball Club            | NO  |  |
| TUESDAY                 |     |  |
| Golf Club               | YES |  |
| WEDNESDAY               |     |  |
| Football Team Practice  | YES |  |
| THURSDAY                |     |  |
| Kurling Club            | NO  |  |
| FRIDAY                  |     |  |
| Football Club           | YES |  |

If you are interested in joining any of our After School Clubs, please ask at the school office – thank you. Price **£ 5.00** Must be bought in advance

Ticket

# SHOW

An exciting evening of fashion & fun hosted by Travelling Trends

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# All at bargain prices!!

# Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May

Doors open 6:30pm for 7pm start Eastry C of E Primary School

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Please either purchase tickets from the School Office or Eastry Post Office.

Ticket price includes a glass of fizz and 'Lucky Ticket' Entry

Prize = A meal for two at The Five Bells, Eastry.

Children welcome - £1 Ticket

Thank you for taking the time to support us 😂

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