



School News

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SCHOOL DIARY

Friday, 13th May - Fledglings Class Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall

Parents/carers of children in Fledglings are invited to join us for their Class Worship which will be held in the school hall at 9.00am. (Please remember to wear a face mask.)

Monday, 16th May - New Fledglings Welcome Meeting at 9.30am in the School Hall

Parents and carers of children who are due to start school in September are warmly invited to our Welcome Meeting on Monday, 16th May.

Tuesday, 17th May - Year 6 visit to 'Safety in Action 2022'

Thursday, 19th May - School Census

We would be very grateful if children in receipt of Free School Meals or Universal Free School Meals were to have a school dinner on Thursday, 19th May. This would make a big difference to the funds the school receives if we are unable to claim this during our school our Census.

Thursday, 19th May - Year 4 visit to Kent Life 'Stone Age Workshop'

Thursday, 19th May - Year 2 Swimming

Friday, 20th May - Year 6 Class Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall

Parents and carers of children in Year 6 are invited to join us for their Class Worship which will be held in the school hall at 9.00am. (Please remember to wear a face mask.)

PTFA NEWS

Eastry Village Jubilee Fete - Thursday, 2nd June

Don't forget to bring any **soft toys** that are in good, clean condition and that need a new home for our Teddy Hoopla being held at the Village Fete on 2nd June. We will also have a bottle and children's tombola's and a book sale - so keep the date free in your diary!

If you would like to help to man the stall for an hour or so on the day of the fete (2-5pm) or would like to help with the planning, we would love to hear from you. Please leave your contact details at the school office, if you can help.

INTERNET/ONLINE SAFETY SECTION

ONLINE SAFETY FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN

According to Ofcom's most recent research, a significant proportion of children are already online by the time they start school, with 17% of 5 year olds owning a mobile phone and 50% using messaging platforms. As becoming familiar with technology is generally encouraged in younger children - and has been essential for education during the pandemic - it is crucial that trusted adults recognise both the benefits and the risks of infants and toddlers using digital devices. National Online Safety have produced 10 Top Tips to help start children's online safety journey.

1. **Use Devices Together** - this lets you monitor what they are watching and starts conversations
2. **Activate Parent Controls** - Most devices have built in parental controls
3. **Manage Screen Time** - Try to agree some ground rules and get in to a routine
4. **Set a good example** - Children learn by watching so when they are around follow the same rules
5. **Talk About Being Safe Online** - Just like teaching in the real world, educate about staying safe online
6. **Block In-App Purchases** - Use parental controls to block buys from app stores
7. **Choose Safe Apps and Sites** - Always check the PEGI age rating before downloading
8. **Involve the Family** - If you have older siblings who are permitted to access content not suitable for your younger child encourage the whole family to be good role models
9. **If in Doubt, Ask** - Develop an open dialogue at an early age is the easiest way to find out what your child is doing on-line
10. **Support Creative and Active Play** - Physical and creative activities are important and can be incorporated in to online games that require physical movement; dance, singing, sport

SCHOOL NEWS

Lost and Found

We have recently found a digital camera in a box of donated books together with the charging cable. If you think you may have accidentally included this when donating books please ask at the school office. We have also had a mini speaker handed in that was found on the gun park, please ask at the office if you think it may belong to you.

Reporting Your Child Absent

Please can we politely remind parents and carers to call the school by 9am each day their child is absent. If you do not explain your child's absence it will be marked as unauthorised and may involve the Behaviour and Attendance Service.

Deodorant In School

We understand that some older children may want to bring deodorant to school, particularly if they have PE, but please can we remind parents that this must **NOT be an aerosol can** and must be the roll-on variety, thank you.

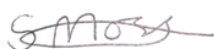
SCHOOL WEBSITE

After School Clubs

Information about our after school clubs, what's available, applications forms, start and finish times can be found on the school website under our 'Clubs' page. This can be accessed at the following:

<https://www.eastry.kent.sch.uk/parents/clubs>

Kind regards



Mrs Sarah Moss
Headteacher

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Week commencing 16.5.22

MONDAY	
Ballet (3.30-4.15pm)	Yes
TUESDAY	
Dance Club (3.30-4.30pm)	YES
WEDNESDAY	
Parachute Games Club (3.30-4.00pm)	YES
THURSDAY	
Singing Club (8.00-8.35am)	Yes
Multi-Sports Club (3.30-4.30pm)	Yes
FRIDAY	
Football Club (3.30-4.30pm)	Yes