

# **School News**

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#### **STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It is with a mixture of sadness and excitement that I would like to announce staffing arrangements for Eastry CE Primary for the year ahead.

I am pleased to inform you that the Local Authority and Eastry CE Primary School governing body have employed a new Head Teacher to start in September. Her name is Mrs Kate Espley. We are looking forward to welcoming her to our team.



I am sad to inform you that Mr O'Gorman will be retiring in July at the end of this academic year.

As many of you will know, Mr O'Gorman has been a teacher and the Deputy Head at Eastry for more years that I can remember! He has been a huge part of this school and has made an enormous, positive contribution to the lives of our children and staff. He will be greatly missed. We wish him all the best for his retirement.

Mrs Williams will be taking over in Year 6 and we have appointed a new teacher for Year 4 - Miss Maria Leishman. We are looking forward to welcoming her to the team.

We would also like to welcome Mrs Lucy Gleave who will be teaching 1 day a week in Year 3 alongside Mrs Harvey who will teach 4 days a week.

#### Teaching Staff from September 2019

Fledglings - Mrs Fox, Mrs Laker and Mrs Wilkins

- Year 1 Mrs Foley, Mrs Sugden and Miss Thomas (graduate teacher)
- Year 2 Mrs Mellett and Mrs Horner
- Year 3 Mrs Harvey and Mrs Gleave and Mrs Daniels
- Year 4 Miss Leishman and Mrs Wood
- Year 5 Mrs Inglis, Ms Rye and Mrs Watts
- Year 6 Mrs Williams and Mrs Kemp, Miss Campbell and Mr Cockram

Mrs Harrison and Miss Morris-Hill will be employed to work within several classes.

We would also like to pass on our thanks to Mrs Helen Le Jeune who will be leaving at the end of the summer term. We would like to thank her for all her support especially with the children in Fledglings. We wish her well in the future.

# **SCHOOL DIARY**

#### Friday, 7 June - Year 6 Pilgrimage Walk around Eastry Village

This week the whole school have taken part in a spiritual celebration of our Christian values. On Friday, 7 June, Year 6 will also be taking part in a Pilgrimage Walk around Eastry village ending up at St. Mary's Church for a short service. The children will be leaving school at 12.30pm, and parents of children in Year 6 are welcome to accompany their child if they wish. The children will return before the end of the school day.

#### Week Commencing 10 June - PTA Father's Day Present Wrapping at Lunchtimes

The PTA have organised another present wrapping service for the children at lunchtimes for week commencing 10 June. The children will be able to purchase small gifts for their father's, grandfather's or other carers for Father's Day ranging from 50p to £3.00. (Please can children bring any money in a named purse or wallet). If you are able to help during lunchtimes, please let a member of the PTA or school office know.

#### Wednesday, 12 June - Year 2 visit to a Singing Festival at Sandwich Infants School

#### Thursday 13 June - Year 6 visit to the Science Jamboree

#### Friday 14 June - PTA Non Uniform Day

Children are invited to wear non uniform on Friday, 14 June. Donations of bottles or children's gifts for an adult and child's tombola at the PTA Summer Fayre after Sports Day would be welcome.

### **OTHER SCHOOL NEWS**



#### Sports Day & PTA Summer Fayre

Our annual Sports Day will be held on Wednesday, 26 June. Sports Day starts at 1.15pm followed by the PTA Summer Fayre. Please see the PTA section for further details.

**'Grab a Bag'** – Whole School Meals have again arranged a 'Grab a Bag' for lunch on Sports Day so that children can eat their lunch on the playing field before Sports Day. Lunch will be a burger and chips or vegetarian sausage. Forms are attached and need to be returned by Monday, 17 June. Unfortunately Whole School Meals will not be able to accept any late orders.

#### Football Team Practice - Cancelled on Wednesday, 12 June

Please note that there will be no Football Team Practise on Wednesday, 12 June as Mr Booth has a prior engagement at the school.

# **INTERNET SAFETY SECTION**

**Online Gaming** - If you are suspicious that another player is wishing to meet up with your child, or asking them to share photos or personal information, you can report them to the police at <a href="http://www.ceop.police.uk">www.ceop.police.uk</a>

# **PTA NEWS**

#### **Frozen Friday**

Ice poles will continue to be on sale for 20p every Friday after school, until the end of term, providing that it doesn't rain!

#### Father's Day gift wrapping - lunch times during the week beginning 10th June

Gifts and cards will be available for the children to buy for their Dad/Grandad/male carer. Prices range for 50p to £3. If you can help with the stall on Tuesday-Thursday (11.45am-1.15pm), please let the school office know. We are a bit short of volunteers and will really appreciate your help.

#### Non-Uniform Day – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June

Please can children come in their own clothes and donate a bottle for the Summer Fayre bottle tombola or a new children's gift (toy/book/stationery etc.) for the children's tombola.

#### Family Barn Dance – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting a mid-summer barn dance on the school playing field during the evening of 21<sup>st</sup> June 6-9pm. Tickets available to buy from the school office (adults - £5, children – free). Food and drink will be available to buy or bring your own picnic. See posters around the village and on Facebook and bring your family and friends.

#### Summer Fayre – 26<sup>th</sup> June (after sports day)

We are planning a small summer fayre to follow this year's sports day. There will be afternoon tea refreshments, magic shows, inflatables, a plant stall and a few games for the children. We would like to offer more children's games/stalls, but the committee is very small at the moment, so **we need your help** to make the event bigger. If you can help, please complete the slip below and return it to the school office as soon as possible or come along to our next meeting (see below).

**Summer grand draw** – tickets on sale at the summer events and during the week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> June (to be drawn at the summer fayre)

If you would like to promote your business by offering a prize for the summer raffle, please let the office know. The PTA will add a list of benefactors on the summer fair programme.

#### Fill a Bag

Please collect any clothes/soft toys etc. over the coming weeks for this fundraising initiative. Please do not bring donations to school just yet; dates for collection to be confirmed as soon as possible.

**Next PTA meeting**: Monday 10th June at 2pm at Tempted, Eastry (coffee shop below Little Miracles). Please come along, even if you only want to help with one event or just to give us a few new ideas. Everyone will be very welcome.

#### Summer Fayre Help

I can help with the summer fayre by:

Making cakes □

Set up during the morning of 26<sup>th</sup> June (9-11am, approx.) □

Help to run a stall for half an hour □

Help to run a stall for the entire fayre (3.30-5.30pm, approx.) □

Tidy up after the fayre □

Name .....

Contact telephone number/e-mail .....

## **OTHER NEWS**

#### Mr Fraser's Challenge Update for Parkinsons UK

As you may recall in our newsletter of 9 May we advised you of the 'Time to Ride 2019' challenge Mr Fraser, parent at the school, was undertaking, in aid of Parkinsons UK. We are pleased to announce that he has raised £370.15 so far. The challenge takes place this month and if you would like to donate by giving whatever you can afford, please visit <u>https://time-to-ride-2019.everydayhero.com/uk/stuart</u> and click on the 'Give Now' button. We wish him well.

#### 'My Dad' Supplement in KM Newspaper

We would like to remind you that the pictures the children drew of their Dads for the Kent Messenger Supplement will be included in paid papers week commencing 10 June 2019.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING 'STAR LEARNER' FRIDAY, 24 MAY 2019			
Fledglings	Sophia Black		
Year 1	Millie Owen		
Year 2	Angel Elks		
Year 3	-		
Year 4	Sophia Caracciolo		
Year 5	-		
Year 6	Libby Dale		

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS		
Week commencing 3.619		
MONDAY		
Netball Club	YES	
TUESDAY		
Golf Club	YES	
WEDNESDAY		
Football Team Practice	NO	
THURSDAY		
Kurling Club	YES	
FRIDAY		
Football Club	YES	
If you are interested in joining any of our After School Clubs, please ask at the school office – thank you.		

Yours sincerely,

Kate Plant Head of School



# <u>Sports Day</u> <u>'Grab a Bag' Fun</u> <u>Lunch for £2.30</u> <u>OPEN TO ALL</u>

This year Whole School Meals have again arranged a 'Grab a Bag' for lunch on Wednesday, 26 June so that children may eat their lunch on the playing field before Sports Day. Lunch will be a burger and chips or vegetarian sausage, carrot and cucumber sticks followed by a cookie.

If you would like your child to have a school dinner on Sports Day please complete and return the slip below <u>by Monday, 17 June</u>. (For children in Fledglings, Year 1 and 2 and for those children who qualify for a Free School Meals, there will be no charge.) PLEASE NOTE THAT WHOLE SCHOOL MEALS WILL BE UNABLE TO ACCEPT ANY LATE ORDERS AFTER THIS DATE AS THE FOOD NEEDS TO PRE-ORDERED.

# <u>Grab a Bag' for Lunch on Wednesday, 26 June</u> Complete and return by <u>Monday, 17 June</u>

I would like to order a 'Grab a Bag' lunch for Wednesday, 26 June.

I enclose a payment of £2.30 □ I have already paid for this lunch □ (Years 3 to 6 only)

Child's Name	Year
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**Parent's Signature**