

School News

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SCHOOL DIARY



Thank You!

A big thank you for all the wonderful donations this Harvest for the Deal Area Foodbank. Your donations will make a big difference to those who may need the support of the foodbank at this time.

Friday, 2nd October -Year 2 Class Worship

Year 2 class worship will be added to Class Dojo so that parents, carers and other family members can enjoy watching this.

Year 5 Bikeability

All children in Year 5 who are taking part in Bikeability will have received a letter telling them which group they are in. Please remember to bring your bike and cycle helmet to school on the day. Children may wear their own, comfortable clothes suitable for cycling.

Monday, 12th October - GROUP 1 Wednesday, 14th October - GROUP 3 Thursday, 15th October - GROUP 4 Friday, 16th October - GROUP 2

Thursday, 15th October - Kent Test

Friday, 16th October - Inspire Day 'Black History'

Our worship will be focused on our Inspire Day and all classes will contribute using their learning in Black History.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Applications for Secondary School

We would like to remind Year 6 parents that applications for a place for secondary school are now open and can be made by using the following link; <u>https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places#tab-2</u>. Applications close at midnight on 2nd November.

Applications for Primary School

Applications for a place at Primary School for September 2021 open on Thursday, 5th November. We have arranged a Zoom Open Evening on Monday, 16 November at 5.30pm and virtual tours during week commencing 23 November. If you, or family or friends, have a child who is due to start school next September please contact the school office on 01304 611360 or email office@eastry.kent.sch.uk so that we can book you in for these events.

Wanted!

Parent Governors

Have you ever thought about being a Parent Governor at Eastry School?

School Governors make a positive contribution to our children's education by offering supportive challenge to help raise standards and monitor resources effectively.

Beíng a governor at Eastry School ís rewarding

Eastry School is committed to raising educational standards. Governors at Eastry School work as a team and come from a variety of backgrounds to



add value to school life by offering their skills, expertise and time.

We are currently looking for dedicated parents who want to make a difference to the lives of the children and are willing to share their knowledge, time and expertise and would be delighted to hear from anyone who has:

an interest in the performance of the school

the ability to question and analyse and work well with others

a desire to contribute to and represent the community

expertise in areas such as finance, human resources, health and safety

If you would like to help us fulfil our vision and want to know more about the role of a Parent Governor please contact the Clerk to Governors, Kim Sampson on 01304 611360, email <u>ksampson@eastry.kent.sch.uk</u> or Chair of Governors, Steve Booth, email <u>sbooth@eastry.kent.sch.uk</u>



Please let the school know if your are interested by Wednesday, 14th October.

PTA News

Rudolph Christmas Products

Please don't forget to return your form if you would like to order any products with your child's design printed on them. Please return the order form and payment, with your child's picture, before <u>15th October</u>. If you would like to pay via BACS please use the details on the yellow slip below and mark your order form as 'paid by BACS'.

Half-term Fun for all the family!

Pumpkin Trail

We have lost all of our naughty pumpkins! Can you help us to find them? Go on a walk around the village to hunt for them. We think that they may have rolled off to local shops/houses/village landmarks, so keep your eyes peeled! Entry sheets cost £1 (per person) and all entries will enter a prize draw, to be held on 2nd November.

Village 'Treasure' Hunt

Can you solve all the clues to take you on a trail around the village? Get your thinking caps on for some half term fun with your family. Entry sheets cost £1 (per person) and all entries will enter a prize draw, to be held on 2nd November.

Both these events are open to children of all ages. If you would like to take part in either or both events, please complete and return the slip below to the school with your payment by <u>16th October</u>.

Entry forms will then be emailed to you by the school, before the end of term, using the email address held on school records. Please respect government regulations (groups of no larger than 6 people at present) and social distancing whilst taking part in these activities.

Bag2School

We are sure that you have all been sorting out your homes during Lockdown and are pleased to announce that we have arranged another Bag2School collection. Please drop off your bags at the <u>hall next to Bubbles Nursery (please</u> note this is a change to our normal collection point) between 8.30-9.00 on Wednesday, 11th November. Please note that bags will no longer be supplied, so please us your own black refuse sacks/carrier bags. Please see the attached for further information.

Big PTA Virtual Quiz

We hope that you and your family will join us for our first ever virtual quiz, which takes place on Friday 27th November at 7.00pm Tickets are £5 per family and can be purchased by returning the reply slip below or by e-mailing <u>eastrypta@gmail.com</u>. Please spread the word about the quiz to your extended family and friends - no babysitters needed (children are very welcome) and anyone in the world can take part. There will be an Amazon voucher for the winning team.

Facebook

Why not follow us on Facebook! Our Facebook group is called Eastry Primary School Parents Page and can be found using the following link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/2229471723764150/

Half-Term Fun & Virtual Quiz!	
We would like to take part in the following events (please include the number of entries):	
Pumpkin Trail (£1 per person)	
Treasure Hunt (£1 per person)	
Virtual Quiz (£5 per family), my email address to use for the invite to the quiz is	
I enclose payment/I have made payment via BACS* of £ (please make cheq	ues payable to Eastry School PTA).
BACS payments can be made to:	
Sorting Code: 60-18-34	
Account Number: 05644143	
Account Name: Eastry Parents Teacher Association (please add your child's surname as the reference and return this slip to the	
school)	
Child's Name/s: Year/s	:
Parent's Signature:	* please delete as appropriate

OTHER NEWS

Flu Immunisation Programme



It is more important than ever this year that, were possible, we protect our children, their families and the more vulnerable in our community by supporting the school-age flu immunisation programme. For Eastry School this is due to take place in school on **Wednesday, 25 November for all year groups**. A letter from Kent Community Health was emailed to all parents on Wednesday and a paper copy of this letter, together with a leaflet from Public Health England 'Protecting your child against flu', was also send home with the children. This leaflet should help to answer any questions that you may have around the vaccine which is a simple and painless nasal spray rather than in injection. You will see, from the letter, that parents are requested to complete the online form to consent or decline to the immunisation. We hope that as many parents as possible will sign up for the vaccine for their child/children.

Kent Adult Educations - Free Courses for Parents and children

Family courses are informative, practical and fun, offering a great opportunity for parents, carers and their children to enjoy quality time together learning new skills and maybe rediscovering old ones. The next cycle of free workshops starts in November, and you can review what is available by visiting:

https://www.kentadulteducation.co.uk/learning-with-us/learning-in-the-community/family-courses/

Kind regards

Mrs Sarah Moss Headteacher

Come join us for the

Eastry Village Family Pumpkin Trail & Treasure Hunt

Everyone

welcome

·£1 per person

per event

23rd October until 1st November 2020

Complete at any time

that suits you

All entries will enter a prize draw (2 November)

Email <u>eastrypta@gmail.com</u> for entry forms and payment details

> Pumpkin trail is aimed at infant-aged children, and Treasure Hunt is aimed at junior-aged children

Event organised by Eastry School PTA

BAG 2 SCHOOL FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS In partnership with your school or organisation





Eastry C E Primary School

Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality secondhand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



By using this paper leaflet we are helping to reduce unnecessary extra plastic. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit). The leaflet is FSC accredited, please recycle it.

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE: Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories. (No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

> The more we weigh the more we pay! Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Please return your Bag2School on:



Wednesday 11th November 2020 - 8.30 am

www.bag2school.com



helpdesk@bag2school.com