

School News

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, 21st October - Inspire Day 'Black History'

Children will take part in activities throughout the day celebrating 'Black History' during our Inspire Day on Friday, 21st October.

Friday, 21st October - Open Classroom 3.00 to 3.20pm

Parents and carers are invited to visit their child's class from 3.00 to 3.20pm to see some of the work they have done this term. You are then asked to leave the classroom at 3.20pm and wait on the playground for the children to be dismissed at 3.25pm

Friday, 21st October - Last Day of Term 1

Monday, 31st October - First Day of Term 2

Friday, 4th November - Year 1 Class Worship

Parents and carers of children in Year 1 are invited to join us for their Class Worship which will be held in the school hall at 9.00am.

Friday, 4th November - PTFA Bonfire and Fireworks Night



INTERNET/ONLINE SAFETY SECTION



The Digiduck collection has been created to help parents and carers educate children aged 3 – 7 about online safety. The collection includes ebooks, PDFs, a poster and an interactive app.

With five FREE stories to download, you could read one story to your child each night of half term.

Topics in the Digiduck collection include:

- •Being a good friend to others on the internet
- Reliability of online information
- Positive use of the internet to help others

A link to access these free resources can be found at https://www.childnet.com/resources/digiduck-stories/

It's never too early to start learning about online safety.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS



Flu Vaccine Programme

Last week we emailed you a letter from the NHS Foundation Trust inviting you to consent to your child having the flu vaccine. We have arranged for the School Immunisation Team to visit the school on Thursday, 10th November to administer the vaccine to those children who's parents have given consent. If you would like your child to have the vaccine please complete the consent form which can be found on line at https://childconsent.co.uk/kchft.

Head Lice

We have had a number of cases of head lice in school. Please do check your child's hair for any evidence of head lice to try and help keep this problem under control. We do appreciate being made aware of a case so that we can alert other parents. We would appreciate it if children's hair could be checked regularly.

Applying for a place at Secondary School - CLOSING DATE 31ST OCTOBER

The last day for applications is Monday, 31st October. Applications are made online at; https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places.

<u>Please remember if your child has a sibling already at secondary school you will still need to make an</u> application for your child in Year 6.

SCHOOL WEBSITE



NEW MENU

Whole School Meals have published their new menu for the winter which starts after half-term and will continue through until the Easter break. A copy of the menu was sent to parents on 18th October. We have also published this, together with dairy and gluten free menus, on the school website should you want to refer to this in the months ahead. These can be found on the 'School Meals' page under the 'Parents' tab.

PTFA NEWS

Thank you

Thank you for your donations at our non-uniform day last Friday. If you would still like to donate, its not too late, please leave any chocolate or alcohol bottle donations at the school office.

Jolly Jars

Please can you help make a Jolly Jar for this years' fireworks night? A Jolly Jar is a jam jar (or other similar sized jar with a lid) that is filled with goodies; sweets, chocolate, small toys, stickers, rubbers, hair bands/clips, craft bits, small pencils/crayons/pens - things you might find in a party bag. Please remember not to include nuts or food that may contain nuts. Once full please wrap your jar, and decorate it if you wish, and then return to school by 3rd November to be sold on fireworks night. What treasure will you find in yours?

Cake Donations

We would really welcome donations of cakes to sell at our bonfire and fireworks night. Cakes can be brought to school any time on Friday, 4th November, thank you.

Teddy and Toy Donations

We are still keen to receive teddy donations for the Teddy Hoopla. There will also be a pre-loved toy stall at the Fireworks Display and we would appreciate donations of toys, in good, clean condition. Please drop any donations to the school office - thank you.

Fireworks Planning Meeting

The next Fireworks display planning meeting will be on Thursday, 27th October at 7.30pm at The Five Bells, Eastry. Please come and join us and make new friends - we are a very friendly bunch! If you can help on the day but can't attend the meeting please get in touch.



Thank you so much for all your help - it makes a huge difference to the school. Did you know that we are raising money to replace the classroom white boards?

If you can help with any of the above please email: eastrypta@gmail.com

OTHER NEWS

Money Worries?

Kent County Council have created a page on the Kent Together website to assist parents navigating to help and advice if they have money worries. On this page you will find links to;

- Financial advice and support
- Paying for food and other essentials
- Housing Support
- Employment

Our door is always open if you are struggling. Please speak to the office in confidence and we can arrange a time for you to see Mrs Inglis, Family Liaison Officer to see how we can support you.

Design the cover of the Christmas Edition of the Eastry Village News

The last day for entries to design this year's cover of the Eastry Village News is Friday, 21st October. Entry forms were sent home with children recently, further copies are available from the school office.

Parent Advisory Group - Neonatal Network

Kent, Surrey and Sussex Neonatal Network are asking for parents, carers and grandparents with experience of neonatal care to join their parent advisory group to help shape the future of Neonatal care.

For more information please contact Marie Christian on marie.christian@nhs.net.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS	
Week commencing 31.10.22	
MONDAY	
TUESDAY	
Dance Club (3.30-4.15pm)	NO
Home Learning Club (with parent) (3.25-4.00pm)	NO
WEDNESDAY	
Creative Station (3.30-4.30pm)	NO
Netball Club (3.30-4.15pm)	NO
THURSDAY	
Singing Club (8.00-8.35am)	NO
Multi-Sports Club (3.30-4.30pm)	Yes
FRIDAY	
Football Club (3.30-4.30pm)	Yes

Kind regards

Mrs Sarah Moss

Headteacher