

School News

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SCHOOL DIARY

Friday, 22 March - Year 3 Family Worship at 9.00am in the School Hall

Parents, carers and family of children in Year 3 are welcome to join us.

Friday, 22 March - Year 6 Leavers Party Parent Meeting at 2.15pm in the Extra Room

Monday, 25 March - Inset Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Tuesday, 26 March - Year 2 Swimming

Tuesday, 26, Thursday, 28 & Friday, 29 March - PTA Mother's Day Present Wrapping Service

The PTA have organised another present wrapping service for the children on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday next week during lunchtimes from 12.15pm to 1.00pm. The children will be able to purchase small gifts for their mother's, grandmother's or other carers for Mother's Day ranging from £1.00 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.

Happy Mother's Day!



Wednesday, 27 March - Mother's Day Lunch

(Please note places for this event needed to be pre-booked and bookings have now closed).



Monday, 1 to Wednesday, 3 April - Decorated Easter Egg Competition

We would like to invite **children** to decorate a hard-boiled egg (or if you are really adventurous use a blown one!). It could be a person, a model or just simply decorated. **Please take your eggs for display into the school hall from Monday, 1 April**, so everyone can see them, remember to make a stand, and label clearly with your name and class. There will be a chocolate prize for the winner in each class. We would ask that this is the children's own work and will be judged accordingly. All entries must be in by the **Wednesday, 3 April**.

Monday, 1 & Tuesday, 2 April - PTA Easter Egg Hunt

The PTA will be holding their annual Easter Egg Hunt of Monday, 1 April for Fledglings, Year 1 & 2 and Wednesday, 2 April for Year 3, 4, 5 & 6. All children who participate will receive some chocolate eggs with the winner receiving a bigger prize. If your children would like to take part please complete and return the enclosed form together with your donation of £1 towards this event.



SCHOOL DIARY

Wednesday, 3 April - Science Day for the Whole School

Thursday, 4 April - Year 1 visit to Wingham Wildlife Park

Friday, 5 April - Easter Service at 9.15am at St. Mary's Church, Eastry

Parents are invited to our Easter Service on Friday, 5 April which will be led by Year 4. **During this service we will be making a presentation and celebrating Mr Halling's time at Eastry school** and wishing him all the best in his retirement. If you would like to contribute to a collection for Mr Halling this can be made at the school office by Wednesday, 3 April please. We hope you will be able to join us on this special occasion.

Friday. 5 April - Last Day of Term for Year 4



CONGRATULATIONS YEAR 4

We would like to pass on our congratulations to Year 4 who won second place at the Dance Showdown at the Goodwin Academy in Deal last week.

An amazing achievement, well done to you all!

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Comic Relief & Red Nose Day

A big thank you to everyone who supported this years Comic Relief and Red Nose Day. The school raised £100.00 through selling Red Noses and £112.20 at our 'wear something red day' last Friday.

School Attendance

We would like to inform you that the **school's attendance** figure at the end of Term 3 is **96.3%**. The Government's guideline is 100% attendance however, realistically we understand that genuine illness can sometimes prevent school attendance.

The children will shortly be bringing home a copy of our leaflet 'Illness, Attendance and Absence from School - A Guide for Parents and Carers'. As you may recall a copy of this leaflet was sent home in September and we will be providing a copy to parents twice a year. This leaflet provides parents with lots of useful information about when your child should and should not attend school and general information about more common illnesses. Please take time to read the leaflet and if you have any questions please speak to the school.

Term Dates 2019/2020

Please find attached a copy of the term dates for the next academic year.

INTERNET SAFETY SECTION

The internet is an essential part of young people's lives and provides them with tremendous opportunities. The vast majority use it without coming to any harm but we thought it might be useful to give parents some tips and advice around internet safety. We will therefore have a section in the school news each week with a tip/tips for parents around keeping your child safe on the internet.

Staying safe online - sometimes online content can be unsuitable or even harmful for children. Discuss with your child about what they could do if they do see something unsuitable.

VISITOR TO OUR LIVE BIRD BOX

You may recall in our School News last year we told you about a bird box that had been installed near the Year 1 classroom with live video streaming so that children can watch visitors all year round. We are very pleased to announce that a pair of Blue Tits have again taken up residence in our bird box. The birds appear to busy building a nest. Live footage can be seen by visiting <http://www.seenature.org.uk>, go to 'Live Streams' and find Eastry Primary School.



PTA

Thank you to everyone who helped and who came to the pamper evening on Friday, which made £336.60!

Thank you to all the beauty/alternative therapists who supported the event:

Emara Beauty

Georgie Stewart - Chiropody

Home Indulgence - Gel nails

Jade Baines - The Body Shop at Home

Jenny Addis - Facial/foot reflexology

Jill Williams - Flores Jewellery

Kate Sutton - Tropics

Larry Wheatley - Talking therapies, humanistic counsellor

Michelle Bradley - Nails

Michelle Smith - Neal's Yard

Sam Evans Hair

Wavenney Wallace-Sims (make up)

Wendy Watson - Reflexology

OTHER NEWS

Easter Holiday Clubs

Elite Community Coaching, who take the children for P.E on Friday's and who run our after school Football Club, will be running a holiday club at Eastry School on Monday, 8 April and Tuesday, 9 April. Leaflets were sent home with the children on Tuesday and further copies are available from the school office

Premier Sport, who also run P.E. lessons in school, are holding an Easter Holiday Camp for children age 5 to 12 years. Further information can be found by visiting www.premier-education.com or asking at the school office.

Family Dog Workshops for Children with Autism

'Dogs for Good' run family dog workshops for children who have a clinical diagnoses of autism. These workshops are aimed at those who are at the early stages of considering getting a dog to help your autistic child, need help choosing and handling a dog, or already have a pet dog and would like training ideas and support. They run a series of three one day workshops and ongoing support following the workshop. For further information please visit www.dogsforgood.org/family-dog.

★ CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING ★ ★ 'WORKER OF THE WEEK' FRIDAY, 15 MARCH 2019 ★	
Fledglings	Rowan Broadfield
Year 1	Allie-Rose Drury
Year 2	Whole of Year 2
Year 3	Jasmine Merry
Year 4	Georgia Jenner
Year 5	Amy Li
Year 6	Olivia Maxwell

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS	
Week commencing 22.3.19	
MONDAY	
Netball Club	NO
TUESDAY	
Golf Club	YES
WEDNESDAY	
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
Acting Headteacher

School Term and Holiday Dates 2019/2020

Term 1 (2019)

INSET DAY	Monday 2 nd September 2019
School starts	Tuesday 3 rd September 2019
School finishes	Friday 18 th October 2019

Term 2 (2019)

School starts	Monday 28 th October 2019
School finishes	Wednesday 18 th December 2019

Term 3 (2020)

School starts	Thursday 6 th January 2020
School finishes	Friday 14 th February 2020

Term 4 (2020)

School starts	Monday 24 th February 2020
School finishes	Wednesday 1 st April 2020

Term 5 (2020)

School starts	Thursday 16 th April 2020
Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May 2020
School finishes	Friday 22 nd May 2020

Term 6 (2020)

INSET DAY	Monday 1 st June 2020
School starts	Tuesday 2 nd June 2020
School finishes	Wednesday 22 nd July 2020

* 3 further Inset Days to be arranged

Easter Egg Hunt



The PTA is holding an Egg Hunt on the playing fields on the following dates:-

Monday, 1 April at 12.30pm – Fledglings, Year 1 & 2

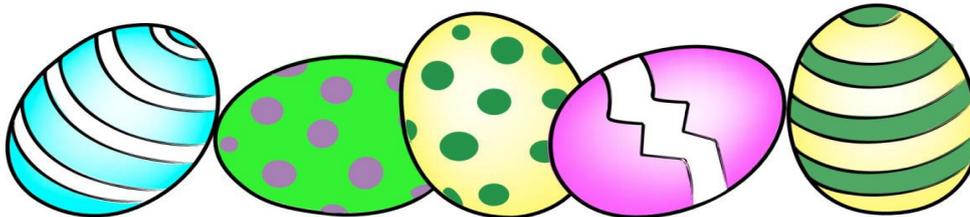
Tuesday, 2 April at 12.30pm – Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

All children participating will receive some chocolate eggs, and the winner from each year group will receive a bigger prize!

If your child has an allergy please state on the slip below so that alternative eggs can be provided for them. (If you would like a copy of the ingredients please contact us via the school office).

We hope that your child will be able to join in the fun! Please return the attached permission slip, together with your £1 donation, to the school office by Wednesday, 27 March.

£1 Donation per Child



EASTER EGG HUNT

I give my consent for _____ Year _____ to take part in the Easter Egg Hunt and enclose a payment of £1.00.

Any allergies? Yes/No* Please Specify _____

We could really do with some additional help to run this event. If you are able to help on either or both of the days please complete the slip below.

Name..... Tel.

Monday, 1 April Morning Setting Up / at lunchtime / both*

Tuesday, 2 April Morning Setting Up / at lunchtime / both*

*Please delete as appropriate

