

# Egerton Primary School and Nursery

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## Ready to learn. Ready to thrive. Ready for tomorrow.

At Egerton we aspire to create an inclusive environment where all students and staff can flourish. We strive to nurture curious minds, so that all children leave school as confident, compassionate and globally aware citizens.

25<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

The short week has flown by and we have enjoyed being able to play on the school field without getting muddy. I am hoping that the weather continues to get better, with a brilliant weather forecast for next week! Please send you child in with suncream and a hat to wear, as the temperatures are predicted to be in the mid-20s during next week.

### Andrea in the Nursery

Andrea Jackson the manager of the old Egerton Pre School and now school Nursery, will leave us on Wednesday next week. Andrea has been a part of the nursery for nearly 30 years and has given a lot of time, effort and love to all the children and staff who have passed through. As a previous parent of a child who attended the nursery, a few years ago now, I couldn't have asked for a better leader to pave the way for my own daughter, so that she was more than ready to start primary school. Andrea will be greatly missed by the staff here at the school and also the children, but I know that she will come and visit us and check how we are doing regularly after she has left. Andrea has written a farewell notice- attached to this newsletter- for you all to read.

#### Y2 residential to Burwardsley

I will be out with the Y2 children in Burwardsley from Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Ap<mark>ril</mark> to Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May, if you need to speak to a senior leader then please speak to the school office. Mrs Sedgwick will be the main point of contact in my absence.

#### **Bunny Hop**

Thank you to all the money that has come in for the Bunny Hop. A big thank you to the PTA who have kindly sent home a little gift and certificate for all of the children who took part in the hop.

## Celebrating Earth Day at Egerton – Friday, 25th April

It was wonderful to see all of the children dressed in their earth day colours today. Thank you for sending a donation in to support our school work on sustainability.

## Book Fair 25<sup>th</sup> April-30<sup>th</sup> April

Just a reminder that the school Book Fair will be open after school tonight from 3.20pm-3.45pm and everyday next week until Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April. Please support this if you can, as school get back in books a percentage of what is spent. Thank you for your support with this.

#### **Attendance and Holidays**

Please can I advise you to read (if you haven't already done so) the attendance policy and in particular page 16, on the school website. If you recall the legislation for taking holidays in term time changed in August last year, with more heavier fines and the expectation not to take your child out of school during the school weeks, which over a 3 year period could result in a fine of over £2000.

#### **Attendance winners**

This week's attendance winners are Year 3 again with a wonderful 97.3% attendance, in 2<sup>nd</sup> place are Year 6 with 95.9% and in 3<sup>rd</sup> place are Year 4 with 93.0%. A huge well done to Year 3 who get this week's extra playtime.

#### E-safety

The attached guide explores ZEPETO, a fast-growing virtual world app. It highlights the associated risks for younger users, such as chatting with strangers, exposure to inappropriate content, and spending real money.

Please see the attached flyer for further information.

## Best wishes

Caroline Lowe

Head Teacher

## Important Diary Dates (new dates in bold \* change of date)

Summer 2025	
Date	Event
24.4.25-1.5.24	Book Fair in school- more info to follow
29.4.25-1.5.25	Y2 residential to Burwardsley
5.5.25	May Bank holiday
6.5.25	School opens for the children
8.5.25	PTA quiz Night- rearranged date!
9.5.25	VE celebration day- wear red, white and blue- further details to follow
12.5.25	Y6 SAT's Week
12.5.25	Reception class trip to Norton Priory
15.5.25	PC Andrew Cornell to speak to paren <mark>ts about onli</mark> ne safety 6pm-7pm
16.5.25 & 23.5.25	Class Photographs
20.5.25	Dogs Trust KS1
21.5.25 or 22.5.25	PTA Film night- Dates to be confirmed
23.5.25	School closes for children
2.6.25	School opens for the children
9.6.25	Queensberry AP in to speak to Y6
11.6.25-13.6.25	Y6 Residential to Castleton
13.6.25	Lego workshop Y5
16.6.25	Lego workshop Y6
19.6.25	Sports Day KS2 am and Reception and KS1 pm
20.6.25	Primary Schools Ball
25.6.25	Y4 trip to Chester
25.6.25	Reception new parents September 2025 meeting 5.30pm
26.6.25	Sports Day KS2 am and Reception and KS1 pm (Reserve Date)
27.6.25	PTA Summer Fair
1.7.25	Y2 trip to Safety Central
2.7.25	Teddy Bear's picnic for new Reception September 2025 starters
11.7.25	Additional inset day 6- school closed for <mark>c</mark> hildren
14.7.25	Y6 rounders match against parents- more info to follow
18.7.25	School closes for children
21.7.25 & 22.7.25	Inset Days 4 & 5



This week the children in reception have been planting their own beans! We read the story Jack and the Beanstalk and talked about what a plant needs to grow well. When we had planted our seeds, we put them outside in the sunshine and gave them a little water. We will keep you posted with their progress.



This week in nursery we have been settling the children back in after Easter holidays and welcoming our two new children Maeve and Jack, we hope you have enjoyed your first week in nursery class. Today we have joined in with the Earth Day celebrations with the children all wearing earth colours, they have collected sticks and cones from around our garden to make nature crafts, including stick men and stick pictures.



I would like to share some of the amazing artwork Year 5 completed on the last day before the Easter break. These prints were inspired by the work of William Morris. They have also made a huge effort with their Easter homework and shown their understanding of the Ancient Mayans. We have begun reading our new Pathways text - The Paperbag Prince. We have been debating the importance of single use plastics. The children formed clear arguments for a balanced debate.

For Earth Day, we have been working on our sustainability actions. We would like to encourage parents, students and staff to recycle electronics. We have begun our campaign about the importance of reducing electronic waste by creating our own vlogs, using iMovie. The children have also made posters to display around school. There will be a collection box for you to recycle your old/unwanted electronics (small devices) in the office, from 2<sup>nd</sup> May, until 6<sup>th</sup> June. Year 5 will then collect these and take them to our local electronic recycling centre.

As part of Earth Day, Year 2 had a fantastic time exploring nature and thinking about how we can care for our planet. They wrote their own autumn-themed diamante poems, using rich descriptions of trees and leaves, inspired by their new Pathways to Write book *Tidy* by Emily Gravett. This lovely story highlights the importance of looking after the environment, making it a perfect link to Earth Day. The children also had some time outdoors to collect natural materials and created pieces of art work/sculptures. They also discussed recycling and they came up with some brilliant suggestions that we are going to implement this term. Well done Year 2!





Year 4 really enjoyed creating their clay sculptures in the style of the artist Antony Gormley. They used techniques like 'slip and score', coiling and pinching to complete their finished person. We can't wait for them to dry and add them to our own Indus Valley Civilisation!

As part of our Earth Day 2025 celebrations, Year 1 made bird feeders. We used apples, sunflower seeds and twigs to make the feeders! The children are taking them home to hang up in their gardens for the birds to enjoy!

