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# **EASTWOOD NEWS**

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## Another busy term ahead....

Eastwood continues to be a hive of activity this term. Our year 6 pupils tackled their SATs tests brilliantly last week showing excellent attitudes and bucket-loads of determination. We are very proud of them and hope that their results (published in July) will reflect all their hard work and the hard work of the team of staff who supported and enabled them throughout their Eastwood journey. Now it is the turn of our Year 2 pupils who will be undertaking their SATs test this month. Our year 1's will take their phonics check early next month along with year 4's who will sit the first every statutory Multiplication tables check. Other year groups will take their end of year tests next term. All results will be shared with you at our upcoming **parents afternoon** on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July. Please make a note of this date in your diaries. Further information will follow next term.

#### PARENT AND COMMUNITY FORUM

Our next forum will be held in the Family Centre on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June. All family members are welcome to attend. The focus will be on Mental Health and Wellbeing and it will be led by specialist practitioners from Bradford's Mental Health Team.

#### Reading & Keighley Library

As you know, reading is of very high importance to us here at Eastwood; being able to read is not only a source of pleasure but a very important life skill. Our whole school trip to Keighley Library was an amazing experience for our pupils. Each year group met an author or illustrator and had a hour workshop with them. We know many of them also attended the free families and community day on May 7<sup>th</sup> and received a free book for attending. Children and adults can join the library for FREE and can borrow up to 20 books at any time also for FREE. This is an AMAZING resource and we would encourage all families to join up and make

use of it. Joining is quick and easy and can be done in person at the library (you'll need some identification with your name and address on it) or online. Just Google 'Join Keighley Library' to be taken to the joining page.

#### HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

Please note that we **cannot** authorize trips in term time unless of **exceptional circumstances**. Tickets must not be booked before seeking permission and proof of the reason for travel must be provided. Your child is only in school for 190 days out of 365 each school year and every one of them is precious. Please take holidays in school holiday periods. We know it is more expensive (all our staff have to pay the same prices too as we cannot take holidays in term time either) so we understand but hope that you understand your child only gets 1 chance at their education and therefore every day in school is super important. Thank you for your support.

#### TEXT MESSAGE SERVICE

Remember to check School Ping every day for messages!

#### **SMOKING**

Please can we ask smokers to refrain from smoking right outside the school gates. Thankyou.

#### LEARNING THEMES / TOPICS FOR SUMMER 1

PRE-SCHOOL – Full of Beans (growing) NURSERY – Full of Beans (growing) RECEPTION – Down in the Cabbage Patch (growing) YEAR 1 – The Very Secret Garden YEAR 2 – Where would you rather be? YEAR 3 – Yabba Dabba Doo (Stone Age) YEAR 4 – The Great Unknown (Explorers) YEAR 5 – Crime & Punishment YEAR 6 – Eco-Warriors Protect the Planet!

#### UNIFORM

Now the weather has improved and we find ourselves in the summer term, pupils are welcome to **wear shorts or lilac school dresses** (checked or striped) to school. Please do check the weather forecast though and ensure your child has a coat with them as we will still be learning as much outside as we can.

**Ties** are **compulsory** for all pupils in years 5&6 – please ensure your child is wearing one when they leave the house each day. **Shoes** must be **plain black** and suitable for school.

All pupils should be bringing a BOOK BAG to and from school every day with their reading book and homework in as well as a water bottle for use during the day.

We are hoping to have ties and book bags available for sale in school shortly. Please check your Ping messages for further details.

#### ATTENDANCE

We are delighted to be able to hold our annual **attendance trip** for all pupils achieving 98-100% attendance this year. Further details to follow if your child has achieved this.

#### **LATENESS**

We have a number of pupils who are regularly late for school, some are late every day. This is very disruptive for them, for the classes and for our staff team who are spending over 30 minutes every morning dealing with late arrivers. Please ensure your child is in the school playground by 8:45am every morning to avoid this unnecessary disruption. Thankyou.

#### OPEN MORNINGS - Pre-school, Nursery, Reception, Yr 1&2

We are delighted that we are once again able to open our doors to invite all parents and carers of children in Early Years & KS1 to attend school 1 morning a week and work alongside your child in class. These were always really well attended pre-Covid and we hope they are again now.

Pre-School – Thursday morning 8:30-9am Nursery – Tuesday 8:30-9 or 12:15-12:45pm Reception – Wednesday 8:45-9:15am Year 1 & Year 2 – Tuesday 8:45-9:15am

#### WEBSITE

Do keep checking our school website regularly. This is regularly updated with all our newsletters, photographs and details about the curriculum .

If you have any safeguarding concerns about anyone, please speak to the Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Carter, Miss Butler or Mrs Hainsworth.