Dear parents and carers,

Despite the spring showers this afternoon, we have brought the sunshine and had a fantastic final day of term 4! Our winning house team (Earth) enjoyed their surprise treat which was a silent disco! This was a huge hit with the children in Earth house who enjoyed choosing their playlist on their headset and dancing along to their chosen tracks. The Silent Disco equipment was hired from "The Good Times Project" – there are fliers and posters around school if you are interested in knowing more or booking for your own event – I would highly recommend it!

There has been some great learning this term in every year group. Our Reception children have loved watching the hatching and development of their 10 chicks over the past few weeks. We say goodbye to the chicks today as they go to live on a local farm. The eggs and chicks inspired lots of wonderful learning in Reception.

Year One had a fantastic day at Woburn safari park on Monday to finish their science topic on animals. Year Two have just completed some beautiful story writing and greatly enjoyed their "Easter Experience" at All Saints church in the village.

In Key Stage two, there has been some really high-quality writing in every year group this term as part of our new Ready, Steady, Write lessons. Year Four have also completed their 10-week run of swimming lessons with many children achieving their 25m distance award. Year Six have been working very hard and revising for their end of Key Stage Two assessments which take place in May.

Our Bartonian awards today were for this term's value of Excellence. Congratulations to all of the winners – please see the termly round-up for photos.

In staffing news, today we said farewell to Mr Matt Passby (Y6 Beech class teacher) who leaves EBPS after 6 years to take-up a new role in a school closer to home. I would like to thank Matt for his many years of loyal service to the school and the children and families who have had the privilege of being in his class over the years. Mr Passby is a very highly-regarded teacher here and will be missed. We wish him well in his new role.

Wishing you all a lovely Easter break.

School re-opens on Tuesday 16th April at 8:45am – see you on the gate!

Miss Lally

## Other information

Please follow this link to <u>Northamptonshire Children's Trust newsletter</u> for events, clubs and groups for families, children, and young people to access across the county that are free or affordable to attend.

A reminder that there are ideas for Easter activities on the <u>community page</u> of our website. We try not to bombard you with emails / fliers but anything we receive which could be of interest we always place onto our website.

Children can eat out for less, or even free (!), over the Easter holiday. Just visit these websites: Familylowdown and Thebigissue for more details

## Letters home this week

Y5 & Y6 Netball tournament – Selected pupils only

Change of PE day – Y6 only

Year 1 parents' phonics session invitation

School holiday fund vouchers – Pupils entitled to FSM only

Gymnastics club for next term

Thistle class music project next term

Next term's spellings – Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6

Year 6 residential trip preferences – Current Y5 only

## **Attachments**

Online safety - Clickbait

EBPS round-up

PE days for next term