

Dear parents and carers,

A warm (despite the continued chilly weather!) welcome back to EBPS for the summer term. The children have settled wonderfully back into learning this week and all staff have commented on the children's calm behaviour and focused learning as they embrace their new topics. The summer term is a busy one with exciting learning, trips, residential for Y3 and Y6, SATs (for Y6) and quizzes (for Y2) and transition arrangements to prepare the children for their new year group in September.

We continue to use the Empowerment Approach to support teaching children about their brain and behaviour and developing in children the skills they need to be pro-social and pro-learning individuals who achieve well and enjoy their time in school. We have refined this and introduced a Friday afternoon "Excellence in Everything" reward playtime for children in Years Two – Six who have shown excellence in the vast majority of lessons during the week. Children who have disturbed learning or needed lots of reminders, will have some time on a Friday afternoon with their teacher or a senior leader discussing their behaviour and how we can help them ensure they are Ready, Respectful and Safe in all lessons. Children will have a tick grid that shows where they have been successful or needed reminders and this will be sent home with your child each Friday.

Reading

Well done to Poppy class in KS2 and Leo in Y6 who won the KS2 reading prizes and to Crocus class and Imogen in EYFS / KS1.

Uniform

Thank you to the vast majority of parents /carers and children who support and uphold our school uniform policy. A reminder to the minority that children should not wear any jewellery at all on PE days (earrings must be removed, they cannot be taped). On other days, children may wear one stud earring in each ear and a watch – no other jewellery should be in school. PE kit is a plain black or plain green sweatshirt (no hoodies and no logos please) and a plain white or plain green t-shirt (no logos or football / rugby shirts). The bottom half can be joggers / leggings / shorts which should be plain dark green or plain black. Thank you.

Cycling to school

We are pleased that some children choose the healthy option and cycle to school. This is a reminder that if you do choose to let your child cycle to school, they MUST wear a cycle helmet and a parent or guardian should sign the home – school cycle agreement, which is attached.

Inclusion Tea and Talk

A reminder that parents are invited to Inclusion Tea and Talk on Tuesday 23rd April 9am to 10am - A chance to get together for a cuppa and a chat. Mrs McManus and members of our Inclusion and Pastoral team will be on hand to answer any questions.

Y1 parent phonics session

A reminder that Year One parents are invited to learn more about how we teach phonics on Wednesday 24th April at 9am with Mrs Gould. This will be in the Key Stage One hall first, then in classrooms. We will be discussing ways you can help your child with phonics and reading at home.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Miss Lally

Diary dates this term

Tuesday 23rd April – 9.00am Inclusion Tea and Talk
Wednesday 24th April – 9.00am Y1 parents' phonics session
Monday 29th April – 5.15pm Y6 residential information meeting
Friday 3rd May – Mufti Day for May Fayre donations
Monday 6th May – School closed for bank holiday
Wednesday 8th to Friday 10th May – Year 3 residential trip
Monday 13th to Friday 17th May – Year 6 SATS week
Friday 17th May – 4.00pm May Fayre
Monday 20th May – Year 2 trip to Holdenby
Friday 24th May – End of term

Letters home this week

Curriculum overviews
Reception trip to West Lodge Farm
Kingswood – change to food item – may contain gluten
Year 6 residential trip information
Great Fire of London reminder – Y2 only
Carnival performance and rehearsals – selected pupils only
Change of ERIC time
Change of residential information evening – Y6 only
Gardening club reminder – selected pupils only
Year 2 recorder club cancelled Friday 3rd May

Attachments

Home – school cycle agreement
Spring clothes swap
Online safety – Township
Information – energy drinks

School uniform – summer flyer

Inclusion Tea and Talk flyer