



Dear Parents/Carers,

Hello and welcome to our very first newsletter of the year, I hope it finds you all well and refreshed after the summer break. I would like to extend an especially warm welcome to all of our new children and families in Reception and across the school, we hope you have had a brilliant first week with us and we look forward to working with you.

Children have settled into their new classes exceptionally well this week with lessons and playtimes being calm and productive. Teachers have spent time revisiting our three school values of RESPECT, RESILIENCE and RESPONSIBILITY, these run right through everything we do at ECPS and are what we believe is the recipe for a successful education which prepares children for the next step of their education and sets them up well for the rest of their lives. Please spend some time at home in the next few days discussing our values with your children and make them part of daily conversations and expectations. Consistency is very effective when supporting children to manage their behaviour successfully. I have attached a poster of our values if you would like to use it at home.

After some shocking and very unpleasant national scenes over the summer, I would like to take this chance to remind you all that although schools are required to remain politically neutral, ECPS remains an anti-racist school. We do not tolerate hate crime of any kind and will tackle it robustly, involving the police if required.

REMINDERS:

A few reminders for a smooth start to the year are below. Your help with these would be very much appreciated:

*When we open the gates in the morning, please can parents remember to stand well back and not come through the gates or stand in them blocking children and other parents' views of their children.

*Keep children off the hill before and after school and please can parents keep off the hill too.

*Children are not permitted to ride bikes and scooters until they leave the site.

*After school, children should stand with whoever is collecting them. Please do not let them run in and out of the cars, climb trees or play on the ramp and steps.

*At the end of the day, please could parents of older children stand a little further back so that the younger ones can see their parents quickly and easily.

*Please do not park to drop off or collect in the areas just outside of the chains or the zig zag lines. Fines have been issued to drivers doing this before and it is dangerous.

*Please remember that the member of staff on gate duty has a lot of children to supervise and get in. Please post all letters/return slips in the postbox at the front door and pass on any messages about learning to the class teacher via DoJo and anything medical via Mrs Hamill.

*If you bring a dog onto site, the designated area is on the grass at the back of the two lanes of parked cars.

*Please can we ask that only parents or carers collecting children in Reception enter the KS1 playground at the end of the day to give the younger children space to exit safely. If you are collecting a KS1 child please wait outside of the gate.

*A reminder of our uniform expectations, please can children be in full uniform every day. Please click on the link below for more details.

<https://www.easingwoldprimary.co.uk/uniform-information/>

*Holidays during term time cannot be authorised and fines may be given by the Local Authority. We are currently awaiting updated guidance that has been issued and we will share this as soon as we can. Any applications for absence during term time must be given with at least six weeks notice.

MINI LEADERS YEARS 2-6:

Every year children vote for a Mini Leader for their class. The role of the Mini Leader includes; showing visitors round, taking part in interviews for new members of staff, representing school at events such as the crib service and delivering the harvest produce. They also get a budget of £500 to spend on making improvements to their school.

If your child would like to be considered for this role, they need to write and practice a short speech at home outlining why their class should vote for them. They need to bring it to school on Thursday 12th September to read out to their class who will then take part in a secret ballot and choose their winner.

The new Mini Leaders will be announced in assembly next Friday and in the newsletter. Only children who have not already held the role of Mini Leaders can be considered.

WORKERS OF THE WEEK:

Our Workers of the Week this week are:

All of Reception for a super first week of school!

- Mrs O'Neill's & Mrs Cooper's Class

Zoe R - Mrs Scott-Mills's Class

Antoni P - Miss Housley's Class

Willow C - Mrs Wass's Class

Oliver C - Miss Ripton's Class

Kyra C-M - Miss Galtrey's Class

Harry K - Mrs Hargreaves's Class

Boy M - Mrs Teasdale's Class

Hanna J - Miss Mossop's Class

Elodie S - Mrs Robson-Beck's Class

Ella F - Miss Potter/Mrs Hannam's Class



PACKED LUNCHES—NUT FREE SCHOOL:

We rely on parents/carers to provide nutritionally balanced packed lunches for children. Please do not send in sweets or chocolate bars and please check all labels carefully - we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL** so no nut products or items that may contain nuts. Thank you.



MESSAGE FROM MRS BIRD— PASTORAL & PARENT LIAISON:

Hello everyone. For all the new parents, my name is Mrs Bird. I am a Pastoral Teaching Assistant across the whole school and also the school's Parent Liaison after school. I am available to talk to and seek advice with anything you would like support with - both at home and school. We are very excited that over summer we have been able to create a new space for school use called The NEST - Nurture, Emotions, Support, Time to talk. The NEST is located to the right of the school, if you head towards the back car park it is the first building on the left.

I would like to trial having Monday afternoons as an open drop-in session where parents/carers can come between 2.45pm-3.30pm with any questions, queries or wanting to book an appointment with me on another date.

If you have any ideas of the support that you would like to see; groups, 1:1, social time etc. we are keen to hear from you. My email is parentliaison@easingwoldprimary.co.uk
Many thanks. Mrs Bird.

SCHOLARPACK PARENT APP AND CLASS DOJO:

ScholarPack Parent App

Our ScholarPack Parent App is for communication with the school office. This is where parents/carers can inform Mrs Hamill of any absence, medical updates, change of address and contact details.

New parents, If you have not yet received your link for setting up the ScholarPack Parent App please don't worry. Mrs Hamill can see who has yet to sign up so is working on sending links where necessary.

Class Dojo

Class Dojo is for communication with teachers and is for anything related to learning and the classroom, such as homework, reading or friendships.

We strive to answer all queries as quickly as possible and within 48 hours (paperwork turnaround is three weeks). As you know we are a very busy school so we thank you for your patience with this.

Please note that although Mrs Cottrell appears to be on Class Dojo she does not access this, please contact the school office if you would like to arrange to speak to her.

Please ensure that any messages relating to appointments, changes to collection arrangements, medical or absence are communicated to Mrs Hamill in the office.

RESIDENTIALS - YEARS 4, 5 & 6:

The residentials for this year for our children in Years 4, 5 and 6 are now live on ParentPay. This gives parents/carers the opportunity to pay in instalments, hopefully making the cost more manageable.

A reminder that if you feel you would like some help with the cost of your child's residential you can apply to the Beckwith Trust, a local charity that have in the past helped with the cost of residentials for our families. Please follow the link below for the application form, if you would like a paper copy please just ask Mrs Hamill in the school office.

Please note that the deadline for applications for the next Beckwith Trust meeting is **Thursday 12th September** - please ensure you return your completed form to Mrs Hamill by this date so that your application can be considered at this meeting. The next meeting is not until February.

The trust will not accept late applications or applications for residentials that have already taken place.

<https://easingwold-community-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/important-documents-and-letters/>

PE TIMETABLE:

CLASS	INDOOR	OUTDOOR
Reception Classes	Thursday (from 19th Sept)	Thursday (from 19th Sept)
Miss Housley's Class	Monday	Monday
Mrs Scott-Mills's Class	Monday	Monday
Mrs Wass's Class	Tuesday	Tuesday
Miss Ripton's Class	Tuesday	Tuesday
Mrs Hargreaves's Class	Friday	Thursday
Miss Galtrey's Class	Wednesday	Monday
Mrs Teasdale's Class	Wednesday	Thursday
Miss Potter/ Mrs Hannam's Class	Friday	Wednesday
Miss Mossop's Class	Tuesday	Friday
Mrs Robson-Beck's	Monday	Friday

END OF UNIVERSAL FREE SCHOOL MEALS:

A reminder that the Universal Free School Meal period ends when a child reaches the end of Year 2. If your child has moved into Year 3 you will be charged for any lunches taken at a cost of £2.66 per meal. If you feel you may be eligible for Free School Meals based on your economic circumstances then please ask Mrs Hamill in the school office for the relevant form to apply.

GARDENING CLUB:

Mr Neville and his Gardening Club members had fun this week harvesting their vegetables—look at the size of those carrots! Well done Gardening Club.



NEURODIVERSITY WEBINAR:

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL
The Early Help team and the Service Children's Champion would like to invite you to a free webinar

Top Tips Supporting Neurodiverse/Service Children
23rd September 18:00-19:00
No need to pre-book

Our free webinar is open to all families of neurodiverse children

Join us on Teams for this session by clicking the following link or scanning the QR code below on the day/time of the webinar.

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CandFHubRichmond@northyorks.gov.uk

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Mrs A Cottrell
Headteacher

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please let us know if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone?

Spare newsletters are available in the rack outside the school office, together with holiday forms and permission to administer medicine forms. Tel: 01347 821282 email: admin@easingwoldprimary.co.uk. Copies of this newsletter can also be viewed on the display board near to the Key Stage 1 playground.

Primary Menu Week 1	'Green Earth Monday'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Meal	Pizza & Potato Wedges	Spaghetti Bolognese	Chicken Pie & Mashed Potato	Chicken Korma & Rice	Fish Fingers and Chips
Vegetarian Main Meal	Veggie Burger & Potato Wedges	Sweet & Sour Vegetable Noodles	Veggie Cottage Pie	Cheesy Pasta Bake	Cheese Flan & Chips
Grab & Go Offer YEARS 5&6 ONLY	N/A	Main or Veggie option as above	N/A	Main or Veggie option as above	N/A
Vegetable Selection	Mixed Vegetable	Peas, Cauliflower	Carrots, Broccoli	Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Baked Beans, Peas
Jacket Potato Option	Freshly Baked Jacket Po- tato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna Mayon- naise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans	Freshly Baked Jacket Po- tato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna Mayon- naise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans	Freshly Baked Jacket Po- tato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna Mayon- naise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans	Freshly Baked Jacket Po- tato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna Mayon- naise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans	Freshly Baked Jacket Po- tato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna Mayon- naise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans
Sandwich Option	Freshly Made Sandwich with a choice of Cheese or Ham	Freshly Made Wrap with a choice of Cheese or Tu- na Mayonnaise	Freshly Made Sandwich with a choice of Cheese or Ham	Freshly Made Wrap with a choice of Cheese or Tu- na Mayonnaise	Freshly Made Baguette with a choice of Cheese or Ham
Dessert	Vanilla Sponge & Custard	Chocolate Shortbread	Iced Banana Cake	Oat & Raisin Cookie	Chocolate Ice Cream



AUTUMN TERM DIARY DATES:

Mrs Hargreaves's Class Trip to Forest Quest: Tuesday 17th September

Miss Galtrey's Class Trip to Forest Quest: Wednesday 18th September

Mrs Teasdale's Class Trip to Forest Quest: Thursday 19th September

Whole School Flu Vaccinations: Tuesday 24th September

Training Day - School Closed: Friday 25th October

Half Term: Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

Individual School Photographs: Tuesday 12th November

Year 6 Bewerley Park Residential: Monday 10th - Friday 14th February

Year 5 Liverpool Residential: Wednesday 2nd - Friday 4th April

Year 4 East Barnby Residential: Wednesday 14th - Friday 16th May