



Eden Park Academy

Newsletter

Friday 26th April 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

Well done to our Kingfishers class who took part in the Barnstaple Tennis Festival at the Tarka Tennis Centre this week. They were all fantastic and took part in all the activities with enthusiasm and resilience.

Resilience is one of our character virtues that we introducing to the children through assemblies and the wider curriculum. New things are always hard and tricky to do, so we are all working on our resilience to keep going when things are tough. Sport is an excellent way to practise this, particularly for children trying new things like cricket and tennis this term, and we have been delighted by how all the children in the school are approaching their PE and clubs at the moment.



We wish everyone a safe and happy weekend.
Mr Blunt and Ms Warner

Any old wellies?



Have you got any old/damaged wellies that you no longer need? If so, please donate them to the school for our environmental area – they make fabulous planters and are a great way of recycling plastic in an environmentally friendly way! Please drop any donations to the office or via the children to class teachers.

School Reports Years 1-5

The Year 1-5 Reports are now available to be viewed through your MCAS accounts (they are not emailed out). If anyone needs a password reset for MCAS please let the Office know.

Meet the Teacher Appointments Reception- Year 5

Meet the Teacher appointments can also be booked through MCAS by selecting Reports and there are 2 dates to choose from on the dropdown arrow for each class-

Starlings-Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th May

Kingfishers, Herons & Puffins Tuesday 14th & Wednesday 15th May

The School Office will contact the Parents of the Year 5 children in Swallows to make appointments.

Please let the Office know if you are having difficulty in making a booking.

PTFA Meeting

A Parent has expressed an interest in starting up the PTFA. We are holding an initial meeting on Tuesday 30th April in the Staffroom at just after 9am, and everyone is welcome to attend. Please let Ms Warner or Mrs Newman know if you are interested.

School Reading Books

We seem to have lost a lot of reading books. Please can everyone take a look at home and see if you have any and please return them to your teacher or the Office, no questions asked!

Tarka Learning Partnership Newsletter

Please use this link to access the latest Tarka Learning Partnership Newsletter.

<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/e7CGsYmD4D6hsepB?ref=Link>

School Meal & Nursery payments

The nursery fees for the first half of the Summer term are now live on Bromcom. Please can we remind parents that the fees must be received in advance or in the week that the place is taken. Your child's place is at risk if this is not adhered to.

School meals should also be paid for in advance or the week they are taken. The Office will contact Parents with outstanding amounts on Wednesdays and Fridays and we would appreciate if outstanding debts could be cleared.

Applying for Free School Meals

- Google – Devon Citizens Portal
- Click on the link for Free School Meals
- It will ask you a few questions about your income
- Once you have answered the questions it will give you an instant response of whether you are entitled to Free School Meals or not
- If you are it will give you a code, this needs to be either emailed or shown to the Office
- **Pop into the School Office if you need help with this**

Is my child too poorly for school?

It can be hard to know whether or not to keep your child off school when they are unwell. There are government guidelines which schools follow to say when children should stay off school and when they shouldn't.

Please click on the link or paste it into your browser for these guidelines: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/health/when-should-my-child-stay-off-school/)

Uniform Reminder

Please ensure your child is in the correct uniform every day.
Spare cardigans and sweatshirts are available from the school office for emergencies!