



Eden Park Academy

Newsletter

Friday 17th May 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

We all want to say a big well done to our Year 6 children who completed their SATs this week. The week is always a hard one and energy levels need to be at their highest. We want to thank the staff for preparing them and supporting them, including the well-received special SATs breakfast each morning to help their energy levels throughout the tests. Many thanks also to the parents for getting them all in on time and supporting with their studies at home.

Today they are off to Rock Park for a morning of play, laughter and fun!

We wish everyone a safe and happy weekend.

Mr Blunt and Ms Warner

PE Kit reminder

With the good weather (mostly!) upon us, please can we remind parents/carers that children need to bring the correct PE kit to school.

The correct kit is:

- Black shorts
- Blue T-Shirt with school logo or plain blue top.
- Sapphire Blue hoodie with school logo (optional)
- PE trainers
- Black jogging bottoms (optional)

We also have a number of sports festivals and competitions throughout summer term, and it is important that children representing the school have the correct kit.

We sometimes have spares or can help out if there is a short-term problem, just let us know.

School Visits

There are currently 3 visits for which letters have been sent home, and payments can be made through MCAS or at the School Office.

Starlings class are visiting RHS Rosemoor on Thursday 6th June cost £10.30

Kingfisher and Herons classes are visiting Westward Ho! on Wednesday 5th June cost £5.00

Puffin and Swallow classes are going to Lundy Island on Thursday 4th & 11th July cost £30

Half Term Payment Reminders

Please could all school meal and nursery payments be settled in full by Friday May 24th. Thank you for your support with this.

Barnstaple Carnival Forches Entry

Help to create a Forches entry for the Barnstaple carnival.

Please pop along on Friday 31st May 2-4pm at the Children's Summer Club Hall, 2 Charles Dart Crescent, Barnstaple EX32 7EB to find out all about this. Under 16's must be accompanied by an adult.

Job Vacancies at Eden Park Academy

We currently have 2 job vacancies at Eden Park Academy, for a Kitchen Manager and an Administration Assistant.

The Kitchen Manager role is for 25 hours a week Monday – Friday for 39 weeks a year. The closing date for applications is Tuesday 20th May at noon.

The Administration Assistant role is for 26 hours a week Monday – Friday for 39 weeks a year. The closing date for applications is Monday 3rd June at noon.

If you are interested in this vacancy please look at the Application packs, available from the school website or School Office and download and complete the application form from the school website and return by email to Andrea Turnbull –

andrea.turnbull@edenpark.tarkatrust.org.uk

Eden Park
PTEA

AGM Meeting

We are excited
to have you on board!



AGM

Annual General Meeting

Everyone is welcome!

Stay informed and get involved

Where: **Staff Room**

When: **FRIDAY
14th JUNE
9 AM**

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SUPPORT THE SCHOOL

The PTA is vital to the success of the school. Funds raised enrich your child's learning and make every student's experience better. Be part of the group that pays for the playground your child loves or funds the library that's their favourite place to be.

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IT'S TOTALLY FLEXIBLE

Whether you're a full-time parent or working the nine to five, anyone can get involved. It's less commitment than you think, and you don't always have to attend meetings. Small jobs such as designing a poster, distributing letters or running a stall keep everything running smoothly.

3

MAKE LASTING FRIENDSHIPS

Meet and chat to a wider circle of families from different classes and year groups. Get to know other parents, and bond over exciting events, socials and get-togethers. Find a place to belong and spend time with others who share your values.

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BE BETTER CONNECTED

Create closer links with the head, teachers and staff. If you're new to the school, the PTA is an excellent way to find out how things work and become part of the community. If not, you'll still gain greater insight by seeing how things work from both sides.

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BECAUSE IT'S FUN!

Be part of the team which organises the best events and get-togethers. Debrief over a glass of wine (or two). Suggest your most hare-brained idea and watch as it catches on and everyone wants a piece of the action. Laugh. Cry. Be there for each other.

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CHANGE SCHOOL FOR THE BETTER

Have your say on important decisions. Work with the school and other parents to see where improvements can be made, and implement them. Directly influence the experience of your child and hundreds of others.

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LEARN NEW SKILLS

Everyone has something they can bring to the PTA, but you can also learn new skills by trading with others. Always wanted to perfect that cookie recipe? Not sure how to design a poster? Want to hone your public speaking skills? You can do it with the support of the committee.

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IMPROVE YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING

Studies show that children whose parents are involved in their education do better in school. Engaging with the PTA shows your children's education is important to you. Play your part in improving the school and watch them

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IT'S NOT JUST FOR MUMS

Everyone is welcome, and it's especially important to have dads and male carers represented, as male role models are crucial in children's upbringing. Dads can bring different skills; they can bring a different perspective, and they can bring along other dads.

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CREATE LASTING MEMORIES

Our children are only at school for a few years, but they will remember the difference we make for a lifetime. They will cherish the activities and games we fund, learn using resources we buy, and remember the events we hold. Help keep the PTA going so future pupils can benefit too.

PTA+
The home of school fundraising

10 REASONS TO JOIN THE PTA