

Eden Park Academy Newsletter Friday 3rd May 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

We had a visit from our local lifeguards this week to talk to the children about safety at the seaside. The children learnt about what the different coloured flags mean on the beach and the warnings to look out for to keep safe. This also links well with the swimming lessons that Year 3's are currently doing – such an important life skill. We are also organising top-up swimming lessons for those children in Year 6 that cannot swim 25 meters confidently. More details will be sent out soon.

Whilst the weather is still far from sunny, we do hope that warmer days are just around the corner to visit the beach. We are planning a number of local trips for the different classes and letters have already started coming out, so please keep an eye out for them.

We wish everyone a safe and happy Bank Holiday weekend. See you all on Tuesday. Mr Blunt and Ms Warner

PTFA Interest

We are excited that we had a group of parents have expressed an interest in starting up a PTFA at Eden Park to support the children, school and wider community with fund raising and events.

At the moment the team are just getting an expression of interest with a view to have their first official meeting and then assign committee members. They are on the look out for parents who wish to help or support in any capacity, so please do let us know if you could offer your time and ideas. The newsletter will keep you posted on any developments.

Tarka Learning Partnership Newsletter

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

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

Herons Class Cricket Festival

On Tuesday 7th May Herons Class will be taking part in a Cricket Festival at Park School, they will be walking there and back. They will be leaving at 9.30am and need to come into school wearing their PE kit. They will need a coat for the walk and a drink. They will be back in time for a school dinner.

Meet the Teacher Appointments Reception- Year 5

Meet the Teacher appointments can 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.

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!

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.

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.

We are looking for a talented individual, who has great cooking skills along with a passion for preparing fresh food from scratch.

Successful candidates will:

- Manage the day-to-day preparation of meals to a high standard within budget
- Order food and materials
- Maintain a hygienic kitchen
- Effectively manage other member of the kitchen team
- Promote the service to attract the maximum number of children and positively encourage healthy food choices
- Have experience of working in a school kitchen or other relevant catering experience along with the minimum of NVQ Level 2 in Catering; Level 3 would be preferable
- Ideally have experience of managing a catering budget

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.

We are looking to appoint a highly motivated administrative assistant to join our hardworking and dedicated admin team. You will be required to carry out a range of administrative duties.

We are looking for someone who:

- is able to build strong appropriate relationships with children, parents and staff
- has good working knowledge of IT systems
- has the ability to communicate effectively in both written and verbal English
- is passionate about working with children within a school environment
- can be a flexible team player
- is able to work on own initiative

Both appointments are subject to safer recruitment procedures, receipt of satisfactory references and an enhanced DBS with Children's barred list clearance. The roles require the ability to fulfil all spoken aspects of the role with confidence and fluency in English.

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

If you would like any more information or to visit the school, please phone 01271343214.

Messy Church at Holy Trinity

Please sign up to this event at the Holy Trinity Church on Sunday 12th May by copying and pasting the link below in your browser.

https://holytrinitybarnstaple.churchsuite.com/events/ytjn9y9b

