



Eden Park Academy

Newsletter

Friday 24th May 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

You may have noticed how we are continuing to develop the lovely grounds we have at Eden Park. Our conservation area on our top playground is now well underway and we are tapping into local businesses to support the development of this space, with B&Q, Homebase and Wickes all contributing recently. Currently our Starlings children are using the area to plant new seeds, and after half term Kingfishers and Herons will be designing and making bug hotels to encourage more wildlife in.

Also, after half term, we will be having an open morning for our incredible nursery. This is happening on Monday 8th July between 10am -12. Please spread the word to any parents of nursery children from the age of 2 that are looking for spaces in September.

We wish everyone a safe and happy half term. We will see you back at school on Monday 3rd June.

Mr Blunt and Ms Warner

Key Summer Dates for your Diary

5th June – Kingfisher and Herons trip to Westward Ho!

- Girls Cricket at Instow (selected children only)

6th June – Starlings trip to Rosemoor

14th June- PTFA AGM 9am

19th June – ‘Love your Beach’ visit to Saunton (selected children only)

1st July – Starlings/Kingfishers Sports Day (10am – 12) *Parents invited to watch.*

4th July – Swallows visit to Lundy Island

5th July – Herons, Puffins and Swallows Sports Day (1pm – 3pm) *Parents invited to watch.*

8th July - NON PUPIL DAY

11th July – Puffins trip to Lundy Island

17th July – Rocksteady Concert (2.30 – 3pm) *Parents of children performing invited to watch.*

24th July – Last Day of Term.

After School Club Years 3,4,5 & 6

Inspire South West have kindly funded an After School Club at our school. This will be held once a week on Wednesdays 3.15-4.15 from 12th June- 17th July. The theme will be Glow in the Dark Football and it will be organised by North Devon Primary Sports.

The club is **FREE** but you do need to register your child on the website www.primary-sports.co.uk as numbers will be limited.

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-due 03.06.24

Kingfisher and Herons classes are visiting Westward Ho! on Wednesday 5th June cost £5.00-due 03.06.24

Puffin and Swallow classes are going to Lundy Island on Thursday 4th & 11th July cost £30-first payment of £15 due 03.06.24

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.

Early Years Summer Fundraiser

The Early Years Team will be holding a Summer fundraiser. They are seeking teddies and soft toys for a Teddy Tombola. If you have any you would like to donate, please send into Nursery or Reception.

Thank you from the Starlings and Nursery Team

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.

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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.

PTA+
The home of school fundraising

10 REASONS TO JOIN THE PTA

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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.