



Edgewood Primary School

Building skills and values for life

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Newsletter

Dear parents / carers,

Welcome back to another year at Edgewood.

We had a very successful year last year, capped by our best results in KS2 assessments ever. If you haven't seen the document on our website the highlights are that our KS2 results put us in the top 5th of schools in the county for most areas and, our progress at its best in maths where we were the 14th best school in the county.

Well done everyone and thank you for your support. The work you all do at home reading to and with your children, helping them learn their phonics, spellings, number bonds, times tables and related division facts amongst many, many other things make a real difference.

Another area we have identified for us all to work on is around vocabulary. Using a wide range of new and challenging vocabulary with your child has a massive positive impact on their understanding of texts and really helps them in lots of immeasurable ways.

Attendance

Please remember that our school target for every child at this school is at least 97% attendance.

Attendance as high as 95% still means your child has missed the average of a morning every other week so every session really is vital. Please note that regular absences mean your child misses sessions out of teaching sequences and can then be left struggling to catch up and needing additional support from staff that they wouldn't have needed had they been here.

Please remember school officially starts at 9am sharp but you can drop your child off from 8:50am each morning to make sure they are here in plenty of time before the official start of the school day.

For those of you whose children have moved up to Key Stage Two, the main door to enter KS2 is often busy at 8:50am. If your child finds a little disconcerting at this point in the year, please wait a few minutes for the main group to enter and then let them follow. They will not be late as long as they are in class ready to learn at 9am.

The school gates will close just before 9:05am and any child arriving after will need to come to the front entrance as they will be marked late (an L in the register). If your child is later than 9:30am then they get an unauthorised late (marked in the register as a U) which counts as an absence as well as a late mark.

Changes to the school day

We have moved the timing of our assemblies in school to 9:05am and Reception and Key Stage One lunch is now 12:15pm to 13:15pm. These changes are to allow Key Stage One to fit their phonics session in during the morning as well as their maths and English lessons where they can have the greatest effect.



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It also means that our Achiever's Assembly on Monday morning is at the start of the day which we hope will make it easier for many of you to attend when your child is the achiever for your class.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Time
16 th September 2019	Individual Photos	
18 th September 2019	Year 5/6 Viking Day	
30 th September 2019	1 st PTA Meeting @ The Nabb	6.00pm onwards
10 th October 2019	Nursery Parent Evening	3.30pm onwards
14 th – 18 th October 2019	Year 5/6 Residential	
14 th October 2019	Nursery Parents Evening	3.30pm onwards
15 th October 2019	Red/Green Class Parents Events	2.30pm onwards
16 th October 2019	Harvest Festival Nursery/Red/Green Class	11.00am & 2.30pm
17 th October 2019	Red & Green Class Parents Evening	3.30pm onwards
18th October 2019	Pirate Pyjama Day Yellow/Blue/Orange class	
	Break up Half Term	
4th November 2019	School re opens	
9 th November 2019	PTA Fireworks	
15 th November 2019	Children In Need	
18 th November 2019	KS2 Parents Evening	3.00pm – 6.00pm
21 st November 2019	KS2 Parents Evening	4.00pm – 6.30pm
10 th December 2019	Christmas Performance Nursery/Red/Green Class	11.00am – 11.30am
11 th December 2019	Christmas Performance Nursery/Red/Green Class	2.00pm- 2.30pm
13 th December 2019	Christmas Jumper Day	
18 th December	Morning Nursery Christmas Party	9.00am
18 th December 2019	Afternoon Nursery/Red/Green class Christmas Party	1pm
20th December 2019	Last day of Term	
6th January 2020	School Re Opens	

Yours faithfully,

Ed Seeley
Headteacher