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Esh Winning Primary School NEWSLETTER



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We will be continuing to wear face masks for now.

The Local Authority are asking for all schools to continue this in shared spaces and/or where social distancing cannot be ensured.

Some bubbles will start to have playtimes & lunchtimes together e.g. years 1 & 2, 3 & 4, 5 & 6.

**Please ensure you are wearing a mask if you enter the school office.
Thank you!**

Dates	
May	
26th	Street Games for Years 2-6
28th	School breaks up for half term
June	
7th	School resumes
14-21	DASH sports activities in school
24th	Summer Fun Run
25th	Rainbow Day – Pride parade
July	
9th	Reports out today!
16th	Pupils break up for the summer
19th	INSET Day — teacher training
20th	INSET Day — teacher training
September	
1st	INSET Day—Teacher Training
2nd	School resumes (Thursday)
October	
21st	School breaks up for half term
22nd	INSET Day—Teacher training
November	
1st	School resumes
26th	INSET Day—Teacher training
December	
17th	Break up for Christmas holidays
January'22	
4th	INSET Day
5th	School resumes (Wednesday)

STAFFING UPDATE:

Mr Sprigg is sadly leaving us at the end of the summer term as he is moving out of the area. Mr Sprigg has been a teacher at Esh Winning Primary School for 2 years and he will be a huge miss, especially for his extremely talented piano playing! On behalf of all the staff, pupils and governors we would like to thank Mr Sprigg and wish him all the very best for the future!

We are pleased to announce that Miss O'Dowd and Miss Burns have recently been appointed as teachers at our school and will be starting with us in September.

Class Organisation for September 2021

Teaching Staff will be in the following classes from September:

Nursery—Mrs Coleman, Miss Hutchinson & Mrs Conaboy

Reception—Miss Common, Miss Perkins & Miss Metcalf

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Year 1—Mrs Richardson & Mrs Lowther

Year 2—Ms Joyce & Miss A Cook

Year 2—Miss Turnbull & Miss A Cook

Year 3—Mrs March & Mrs Powell

Year 3—Mr Burdon & Ms Brown

Year 4—Miss Tweddle & Mrs Chambers

Year 5—Miss Burns & Mrs Usher

Year 6—Mrs Grainger, Miss Oakley & Mr McCauley

Some year groups which are already split into two classes may look different in the September. A letter clarifying this will come home soon.

PE / Sports Activities Dates

- 26th May -** Years 2 - 6 classes will be doing some Street Games. Children pupils will need to come dressed in suitable clothing & footwear for outside activities, whatever the weather.
- 14th-21st June -** Pupils will be taking part in DASH! This will take place in school and challenges include 1km run, 400m run, speed bounce, standing long jumps and chest pushes with a weighted ball.
- 24th June -** Summer Fun Run!

Transition Afternoons

- Meet the teacher** On Tuesday 29th June & Tuesday 6th July children will meet their teacher & teaching assistant for September.
- Reception transition drop in** Thursday 1st July. A letter will follow with more information.
- Reports out to Parents** Friday 9th July

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club opens at 8am. We notice that several children are coming into the school grounds very early and are being left unsupervised.

For your child's safety, please do not enter, send or leave your child un-attended on our school grounds until after 7.55am when the KS1 gates are ready to be opened.

Thank you!

Thank you for supporting our "No Jewellery" in school policy. For Health & Safety reasons pupils should NOT wear earrings or any other jewellery for school. Please note the clear earring hole holders are allowed in school. A sensible watch is permitted, but smart watches are NOT. Nail varnish is not permitted. Thank you.

Healthy Packed lunches

Packed lunches can be very healthy & nutritious. They can also be a little more than a dose of sugar, fat & salt. Children who bring in packed lunches should be encouraged to bring in healthy options, these can be simple to prepare, inexpensive & fun to eat. Please remember, NO chocolate, NO nuts, NO sweets & NO fizzy drinks are allowed in packed lunches

Rainbow Week

The week beginning the 21st June will be our Rainbow Week and we will be focusing on inclusivity and diversity. More information will be sent out on 11th June.

We will be holding a Great Rainbow Bake-Off where children and parents can bake and decorate cakes and enter a competition. Parents can submit photographs of their entries.

We will have a Pride Parade on the 25th June and children can come into school wearing rainbow colours! We will also be decorating our own cakes in school with a focus on the rainbow.

Ordering your children's school uniform for September.

To order uniform, please go onto Tots to Teams website www.totstoteams.com and select our school from the alphabetical schools list.

Items available to purchase on their website include the following:
PE Shorts, PE T shirts, Yellow polo shirts, sweatshirts, cardigans, coats & name tapes.

It normally takes approx. 6 weeks for orders to be received at this busy time of year, so please take this into account when you are ordering.

If you wish to order any adult sizes in any item, please ring Tots to Teams on 0191 271 5454 and they will add a temporary switch for you to process your order online. **Please note, any adult sizes ordered cannot be returned.**

Book Bags can still be ordered via the school office.

We have received some complaints about parents swearing in the playground. Please can parents/carers refrain from using bad & inappropriate language while waiting to collect your children both outside the school gates & while on school grounds in consideration of our children, other parents and members of the public. Let us always set good examples, thank you!