

EGGINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Head teacher: Mrs K Puszczynska MA

September 2016



A very warm welcome back to you all and especially our new members of the school community. We are sure you will have a wonderful time at Egginton. We are looking forward to another busy and exciting year of learning. The children have been reminded of the high expectations we have of them regarding their behaviour towards learning and each other. The children are looking very keen to do their best and also very smart in our new school colours. This term the whole school topic is: **Power**. Class teachers will be sending home a class overview of this terms learning next week. As a school we will be concentrating on handwriting and presentation of work for the first half term. As always we are keen for parents to be involved in supporting the learning experiences in school. If you would like to help in class please see your child's class teacher.

Kind regards, Mrs Puszczynska.

Farewells

During the summer holidays Miss Shaw received the exciting news that she had been accepted into university to study for a degree. We wish her every success in her studies and her future career choices. If you wish to make a contribution to her leaving gift please see Mrs Pepper by Friday 9th September.

Welcome to our new members of the teaching staff; Mrs Barry and Miss McCutcheon have joined us to work in Robins, Mrs Carr who has joined Puffins and welcome back to Mrs Jones who is also in Puffins.

Parking reminder

*As we start the new school year I would like to remind parents that parking in the memorial hall carpark at the beginning and end of the school day **is not permitted**, unless with prior agreement of the headteacher.*

If you drive to school, please park considerately and safely. If you park a little distance from school it would be very much appreciated. This not only cuts down on congestion around school but also is a good way of supporting the children in practising their road safety rules.



School day routines

8.45am: The school gate is opened and children are able to enter their classes, where they can complete a morning task set by the class teachers. Please do not enter school via the carpark.

8.50am: School day starts with registration in classes.

9am: The school gates are closed parents must sign in their children if they arrive after 9am.

3.20pm: School day ends, children are released to parents at the front of the school. Please do not wait in the carpark. If your child is in Robins class please wait inside the school gate.

If you are going to be late, please contact the school. Staff will only release children to adults on their collection list. If at short notice you require a friend to collect your child please text them so that we can see your permission to release your child. If your child is in Year 5 or Year 6 and you wish them to walk home alone please ensure this has been communicated, in writing, to the school office.

Your child's safety is our priority and we hope that this will ensure a safe start and finish to the day.



School Council Elections

On Monday 19th September we will be holding our School Council Elections. This is an important role within school as members are the voice of the pupils. Last year they were instrumental in the new dining experience in school, initiating the school sleepover, the refurbishment of the school toilets and the way activities are organised at break times. This year the school council will be also involved in writing the school newsletter and the completion of the garden project.

If your child would like to join the school council please help them to create a short presentation explaining why they think they would make a good school council member. This will be presented to their class on Monday 19th September as part of the election process.

Next PTA Meetings:

The PTA AGM will be held on **Wednesday 21st September, 7pm, at school.**

The posts of chair, vice-chair, secretary and treasurer are up for re-election so please attend if you would like to be considered. If you would like more information on these posts chat to any of the current post-holders.

Mrs Pepper can point out current members if that would help. Even if you are not interested in a committee position please come to the meeting to find out what we do and enjoy a social occasion.

New Home/School Reading Diary

Your child will have brought home their new look home school diary. As these books contain valuable learning support they must be in school every day. Parents can use the book to communicate with the class teacher. We expect the children to take responsibility for having the book in school and for sharing it with parents. Homework set will be in-line with age appropriate learning expectations and is often designed to challenge children's understanding of their learning. We hope that parents will get involved with their child's homework and we welcome your support. There will be a focus on regular reading, spelling or vocabulary work and number bonds/times tables this half term.

Please check the school calendar for dates and events. It is available on the school website.

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Parent's Checklist

Here is a quick check list to help with daily routines.

- Label everything! (Lost property will be returned to children if labelled or put in the covered walkway for collection)
- Money must be sent in a named and labelled envelope to the classroom. (Please remind your child to hand in money, letters or forms to the teacher)
- Keep contact details up-to-date.
- Speak to a class teacher as soon as possible if you have any concerns.
- No need for pencil cases, snacks or large back packs (space is limited and everything is provided.)
- Please send water bottles into school every day.
- PE kits will be needed in school every day.



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Diary Dates Autumn Term 2016

Date	Event
Mon 5 th September	INSET day #1
Tues 6 th September	8.50am - Children return to school Reception children in school 8.50am - 12.30pm all week
Mon 19 th September	School Council Elections Y1-Y6 MONDAY CLUB- Animal Encounter 3.20pm - 4.30pm all children welcome
Tues 20 th September	Puffins and Eagles trip to 'Think Tank' (Letter to follow)
Wed 21 st September	7pm- PTA AGM in school
Fri 23 rd September	9am - Harvest Festival (families welcome)
Tues 27 th September	KS2 swimming 7pm- FGB meeting
Wed 28 th September	School Council Meeting #1
Tues 4 th October	KS2 swimming
Tues 11 th October	KS2 swimming
Tues 18 th October	KS2 swimming Parents' evening
Mon 17 th October	9am Magical Maths assembly (families welcome)
Thurs 20 th October	9am Celebration Assembly (families welcome) BREAK UP
Fri 21 st October	INSET DAY #2
Mon 31 st October	8.50am- BACK TO SCHOOL
Sat 5 th Nov	Village Bonfire Party (tbc)