

EGGINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Headteacher:

Mr Richard Kitching

January 2022



Welcome to the first newsletter of 2022! The pupils have made a great start to our new topic 'Out of This World' and have all tried their best with their learning so far this term. Many of our pupils have reflected on what their New Year Resolutions will be for 2022 and discussed them in class and assembly. Several pupils identified 'keeping their room tidy' and 'cooking recipes for their family' so it would be interesting to hear how they're getting on with that! It has been great to see the Year 4,5 and 6 pupils all approaching swimming at Etwall on a Monday with a positive attitude and enjoying the sessions in the pool. We've got lots to look forward to later this term including World Book Day, a visit from a Mobile Planetarium and hopefully an Easter disco.

Mr Kitching

'Out of this World' topic – MacArthur Class

Our younger pupils enjoyed an exciting day last week as they started off their topic when they used their imaginations to go on a trip to the moon to eat a space picnic! Inspired by the classic story 'Whatever Next' they designed their space capsules themselves and went on an exciting mission to the moon with their Space Commander Miss Funnell.



Parent Governor Vacancy

Last week, (25th January) information about the current Parent Governor vacancy at Egginton was sent out on Parentmail.

If you are interested in joining our team of Governors but would like a bit more information about what it entails at Egginton, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Kitching for an informal discussion.

The deadline for applications is 10th February 2022.



January PTA Meeting

On 17th January the PTA held a meeting on Zoom. It was great to reflect on the success of the fundraising events held before Christmas as well as plan out an overview of more fundraising activities scheduled to take place over the remainder of the academic year. Thank you to everyone that attended. We look forward to meeting again on 7th February on Zoom and all parents and carers are welcome to attend. Egginton has a proud tradition of running an active and supportive PTA and it is great that lots of current parents and carers are keen to get involved by attending meetings, helping at events and sharing ideas in support of the school.

Mrs Logan

Sadly, one of our long standing Mid-day Supervisors, Mrs Logan, will be leaving the school later in February to take up a new role.

Mrs Logan has been a Mid-day Supervisor at Egginton since 2014 and during her time has braved many a cold and windy day on the playground as well as basking in glorious hot sunshine as she has supervised the children during lunch time play. She has been a great help to the school over the years, assisting with school trips and listening to children read as well as her Mid-day Supervisor duties. She will be much missed by us all at Egginton but we wish her all the very best for the future as she embarks on a change of role.

Parent and Carer Questionnaire

At Egginton we strongly value the views of all of the members of our school community. As part of our ongoing evaluation and improvement process at Egginton, we would like to invite you to complete the Parent and Carer questionnaire that will be sent out this week on Parentmail. Please could all responses be completed on Parentmail by 14th February 2022. Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the form.

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Covid-19 Cases in the School Community

As you know, we have recently had several cases of Covid-19 reported in the school community including further cases reported today.

We are operating with additional measures in place at school to try and reduce the transmission of the virus. We would like to thank our parents and carers for supporting us in doing this by testing their children and family members regularly using lateral flow tests (or daily for 7 days if identified as a close contact by NHS Test and Trace).

It remains essential that pupils do not attend school if they are displaying any of the main Covid symptoms identified by the NHS (high temperature, loss of taste and/or smell and a new, continuous cough) and get a confirmatory PCR test in this instance. As previously mentioned on Parentmail, we have had reports of positive cases displaying stomach ache or sickness as an early symptom and we urge parents and carers to lateral flow test their child or children immediately in the event of this symptom being displayed.

It remains very important that the whole school continues to work together and remains vigilant in trying to reduce the transmission of the virus in order to stop people falling ill as well as disrupting learning and social/ working life.

Further information about symptoms can be found in the following link:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/>

Further information about how to order lateral flow tests can be found in the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

Further information about how NHS test and trace works can be found in the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works>

Further information about what to do if you believe you or your child is a close contact of a positive case but you have not yet been contacted by NHS can be found in the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person/guidance-for-contacts-of-people-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection-who-do-not-live-with-the-person>

Thank you for your continued support.

Free School Meals applications

This is just a reminder that if you think that your child may be eligible for free school meals please click on the link below to apply:

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/school-places/primary-admissions/parentsguide/more-information/school-meals/am-i-entitled-to-free-school-meals.aspx>

In addition, the school may be able to offer subsidise costs of school based extra-curricular clubs and/or music tuition if your child is eligible for free school meals. Please contact school for further details if this applies to you.



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Date	Event
7 th February	PTA meeting – 7pm on Zoom
10 th February	Parent Governor application closing date
14 th February	Valentine's Day Eco-Balloon PTA Fundraiser
17 th February	Celebration Assembly Last day of the half term
18 th February	INSET day – school closed to pupils
21 st February to 25 th February	Half term break – school closed to staff and pupils
28 th February	School opens to staff and pupils
2 nd March	Professor Bubbleworks visit
3 rd March	World Book Day
23 rd March	Mobile Planetarium visit
5 th April	PTA Easter Disco (To Be Confirmed)
8 th April	Celebration Assembly Last day of term
11 th April to 22 nd April	Easter break – school closed to staff and pupils
25 th April	School open to staff and pupils
2 nd May	May Day Bank Holiday -school closed to staff and pupils
9 th May to 13 th May	Key Stage 2 SATs week
25 th May to 27 th May	Year 5 and 6 Lea Green Residential Trip
27 th May	Last Day of half term
30 th May to 3 rd June	Half term break – School closed to staff and pupils
6 th June	School open to staff and pupils
24 th June	School Closed to staff and pupils due to Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday
2 nd July	Egginton Village Fete
22 nd July	Last day of term/academic year