

# Eastcombe News

## Message from the Head

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I can't believe another school year is almost over. The school is a hive of activity with rehearsals, trips, sporting events and learning. Both children and staff are working hard but are definitely ready for the summer break! Thank you for your continued support this school year; it means everything. Eastcombe Primary School is certainly a very special place.

**Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits:** The children have been rehearsing in earnest and we are very much looking forward to sharing our hard work with you next week. The performances are Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th. **Children are expected to perform both evenings and need dropping off at TK at 5.30pm.** The audience will take their seats from 5.50pm. As usual the first couple of rows are reserved for Y6 parents. The whole family are invited, you are in for an evening to make you laugh, cry and be proud.

**School reports:** This week you will have received your child's school report. We are all incredibly proud of the children's achievements this year. It is notable that the children embrace our school values and live by our school motto. If you would like to talk to a teacher about the report please contact the school office to make an appointment. Well done everyone!

**Timings of the school day:** I can confirm that from September the school day will be lengthened slightly to comply with new regulations. Our school day for all children will be 8.45-3.15pm. The playground gates will open at 8.35am.

**Staff news:** As the end of term approaches we say goodbye to Mr Williams. We wish him every success for the future and thank him for his time at Eastcombe. Miss Froggatt will be joining us in Squirrel class in the new school year, working Weds pm-Friday job sharing with Mrs Lynham.

**Goodbye to Year 6:** Year six are almost ready to leave us and start their secondary school years. They are the most amazing bunch and we will miss them all. Thank you Year 6 for being superstars, good luck for your futures and remember to 'Aim high, Believe and Achieve'. Keep in touch!

### ESA News

The ESA have had a hugely successful year fundraising for the school. There have been numerous events such as school disco's, Ladies night, Fab Fridays and the Gnome Hunt.

Money raised throughout the year will go towards new playground furniture, playground and outdoor learning toys and books for each classroom.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you to the ESA team, you have all been incredible.



### Office News

- ◆ Reminder to make payments for swimming and badminton by Weds 13th September.
- ◆ Menu options for school lunches remain the same until October half term unless you tell the school office otherwise. The menu will start on Week 3 the first week back.
- ◆ We really rely on parent helpers for school trips, swimming, Copsegrove etc. If you are able to offer your help for any trips please contact the office on 01452 770227.

### Diary Dates

#### September:

Mon 4th—INSET DAY  
Tues 5th—First day of term 1  
Thurs 21st—Swimming & badminton (Y2-6)  
Thurs 28th—Swimming & badminton

#### October:

Thurs 5th—Swimming & badminton  
Thurs 12th—Swimming & badminton  
Thurs 19th—Swimming & badminton  
Thurs 26th—Swimming & badminton  
Last day of term  
Fri 27th—INSET DAY

#### November:

Mon 6th—First day of term 2  
Mon 27th—INSET DAY

### 2023-24 Term Dates

Term 1	5/9/23 to 26/10/23
Term 2	6/11/23 to 22/12/23
Term 3	8/1/24 to 9/2/24
Term 4	19/2/24 to 22/3/24
Term 5	8/4/24 to 24/5/24
Term 6	3/6/24 to 19/7/24

#### INSET DAYS

4/9/23      27/10/23      27/11/23  
28/6/24      22/7/24

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