

Headteacher's Message



Welcome to the first edition of our monthly newsletter!

We have enjoyed a positive and busy start to the new school year and are looking forward to an exciting year ahead. It has been wonderful to meet all the children and to welcome new families to the Earlham Community. The children have settled quickly and calmly into their new classes and routines and displayed great enthusiasm for learning.

Our aim this year is to raise the aspirations of our pupils and to ensure that every child achieves their full academic potential. Punctuality and good attendance are therefore of paramount importance.

My staff and I look forward to working in partnership with you this year and would like to thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.

Natasha Rezai

Headteacher

Getting to know you!

We understand the importance of providing the children with opportunities to get to know their teachers and to feel comfortable in their new learning environments. Throughout September every class participated in a range of 'Getting to know' you activities. The children and staff have enjoyed sharing interesting facts about themselves and have produced some excellent work to illustrate this.



Our school website and APP



We are in the process of updating our website and school APP to ensure that you are provided with the most relevant and up to date information. In the meantime, please look out for the letters that are sent home at the end of the school day.

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Site update

We are constantly trying to improve the image of the school and to keep the site as safe as possible. You may have noticed quite a few positive changes that have taken place over the past few weeks, particularly at the front of the school! Additional planned work is due to be carried out over the next few weeks.

Before



After



School Council

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected by their peers to be members of our new school council!

Year 1 **Damian and Maya (Lapis Lazuli)**

Year 2 **Aya and Joel and (Quartz)**
Aisha and Roshan (Rose)

Year 3 **Berzan and Marika (Ruby)**
Emma and Sonila (Moonstone)

Year 4 **Ecen and Oskar (Emerald)**
Ilyes and Laiyana (Jade)

Year 5 **Asiya and Maryam (Pearl)**
Dora and Harry (Opal)

Year 6 **Luca and Kadija (Sapphire)**
James and Vasiliki (Amethyst)



We are confident that they will promote and represent the views of the children in our school and help to drive school improvement!

Topic Work

Year 5 are enjoying learning about 'The Shang Dynasty'. To immerse themselves in this fascinating topic, the children discussed what they already knew about modern China and shared their knowledge of Chinese history. They learnt to cook spring rolls, a popular Chinese dish, and thoroughly enjoyed eating them! The children are now looking forward to visiting the British Museum.



Assemblies

Date	Class
Friday 19 th October 2018	Sapphire
Friday 2 nd November 2018	Amethyst
Friday 9 th November 2018	Opal
Friday 16 th November 2018	Pearl
Friday 23 rd November 2018	Emerald
Friday 30 th November 2018	Jade
Friday 18 th January 2019	Ruby
Friday 25 th January 2019	Moonstone
Friday 1 st February 2019	Rose
Friday 8 th February 2019	Quartz
Friday 15 th February 2019	Lapis Lazuli

Healthy Eating

Eating a healthy packed lunch or school meal is important to help children stay healthy, feel good and improve their ability to learn. If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please ensure that it contains healthy food. Food that contains high quantities of sugar, salt and additives can affect how your child concentrates at school.

Please be advised that a number of our children and staff have food allergies. We therefore ask that you do not send any food to school which contains nuts.

The new school dinner menu will be introduced after the half term break. From Friday 19th October you will be able to download a copy

<https://www.pabulum-catering.co.uk/primary-school-meals/>



School uniform

The children look incredibly smart in their school uniforms and it is important that every child wears the correct uniform every day. School shoes should be completely black (no trainers). All hair accessories should be in school colours. No hairbands with ears should be worn as they can get caught on equipment and cause an injury.



KS2 Singing Club

Every Thursday 12.30pm



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Homework Clubs (£3 / week)

***Half termly payments should be made in advance to the school office**

KS2 (Years 3 to 6) Every Thursday 3.30pm-4.30pm

KS1 (Years 1 and 2) Every Thursday 3.30pm-4.30pm



Sports Clubs (£3.50 per session)

Gymnastics	Years 1 to 6	Monday
Football	Years 1 to 3	Tuesday
Football	Years 4 to 6	Wednesday
Dodgeball	Years 1 to 6	Thursday
Basketball	Years 1 to 6	Friday



Please book online by visiting www.challengesporteducation.co.uk or calling 0844 693 2220

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REMINDER

Contact details:

Please inform the school office if your contact details have changed.

Photograph and video consent forms:

Please remember to return your completed forms to the school office by no later than Monday 8th October.

End of day collection arrangements:

If you are unable to collect your child from school, please contact the school office before the end of the school day to name an authorised collector. You will be provided with a password which must be shared with the named authorised collector before they come to collect your child from school. Named authorised collectors must be aged 16 or above.

Parking:

We have limited parking spaces for our staff and visitors. We kindly request that parents and carers do not park on site.

Medical:

If your child has a new medical condition or there are changes that we need to know about, please inform our school office. If your child is asthmatic, please ensure an up-to-date inhaler is in school.

Term Dates

Autumn 1

Start: Monday 3 September 2018

End: Friday 19 October 2018

Half term

Start: Monday 22 October 2018

End: Friday 26 October 2018

Autumn 2

Start: Monday 29 October 2018

End: Friday 21 December 2018

Holiday

Start: Monday 24 December 2018

End: Friday 4 January 2019

Spring 1

Start: Monday 7 January 2019

End: Friday 15 February 2019

Half term

Start: Monday 18 February 2019

End: Friday 22 February 2019

Spring 2

Start: Monday 25 February 2019

End: Friday 5 April 2019

Half term

Start: Monday 8 April 2019

End: Monday 22 April 2019

Summer 1

Start: Tuesday 23 April 2019

End: Friday 24 May 2019

Half term

Start: Monday 27 May 2019

End: Friday 31 May 2019

Summer 2

Start: Monday 3 June 2019

End: Tuesday 23 July 2019

Holiday:

Start: Wednesday 24 July 2019

End: Friday 30 August 2019

Confirmed staff training days

Monday 29 October 2018

Monday 7 January 2018

Attendance

Please help up to raise our overall attendance figure this year by ensuring that your child attends school regularly. Excellent attendance at school is important to allow your child to fulfil their potential.

It is your legal responsibility to ensure that your child does not miss school without a legitimate reason. Where attendance is low, you will be asked to produce medical evidence of illness.

Permitting unnecessary absence from school may result in prosecution. We have already issued 3 fixed penalty notices this term which is **extremely** disappointing!

How parents and carers can help

- ◆ Establish a good routine in the mornings and evenings so your child is prepared for the school day ahead.
- ◆ Make sure your child goes to school regularly and follows the school rules.
- ◆ Ensure your child arrives at school on time – not late. Late arrivals are disruptive to all.
- ◆ Arrange dental and medical appointments outside school hours when possible.
- ◆ Always inform the school if your child is absent due to illness – this should be followed up with a written note when your child returns to school.
- ◆ Take family holidays outside term time.
- ◆ Talk to your child about school and take an interest in their school work (including homework).
- ◆ Praise and reward your child's achievements at school.
- ◆ Discuss any problems or difficulties with the school – staff are there to help and will be supportive.