

Newsletter

8th September 2023

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to the new school year! We hope that everyone has had a restful summer break and that you're now able to enjoy the sunshine – typical back to school weather!

The children have settled brilliantly and we have made a great start to the new school year — hitting the ground running with the curriculum and getting straight on with our learning. Next week we will be sharing details of parent information sessions where you can come and meet your child's teacher/s and hear all about what they will be doing in school and the ways in which you can help at home too.

Fun in the Forest!



Uniform

It has been fantastic to see the vast majority of our children returning to school wearing the correct uniform – thank you for your continued support with this. We will be placing a uniform order for anyone who would like to buy through the school – the deadline for this is **Friday 15**th **September** – please see school spider for details. All payments must be made via parent pay. Further orders will be placed throughout the year.

It's great to be back in our forest school this week. The children had a wonderful time noticing the changes that have taken place, spotting minibeasts and appreciating nature! Year 1 worked very hard finding the teddies that were hiding in there – they all had numbers on so the children used their maths skills to order them!

Mrs Kemp

Dates for your diary

15th Sept – Rock Kidz for whole school. Children are free to dress as 'rock stars' or wear Fit Friday/school uniform.

28th Sept – Macmillan Coffee Morning – we will be asking for cake donations please

3rd October – PGL meeting for parents of children attending the residential. 3:30pm in downstairs hall.

5th October – National Poetry Day – we will celebrate in school.

10th October – World Mental Health day – we will celebrate in school. Nothing needed from home.

19th October – School closes for half term at the usual time. Staff training day on 20th.





Strive for Five



Year 3 have made a fantastic start to their reading at home this week – keep up the good work!

At school, we use 'Strive for Five' in every year group. We encourage our children to read at home to an adult 5 times per week – obviously this can only be successful if our children have the support of parents/carers at home. Please encourage and support your child with this – reading fluently makes a huge difference to how well children access and success in all subjects. We do lots of reading at school but the extra opportunity at home is just as important. We will hold reading workshops for parents/carers this half term but in the meantime, if you have any questions or need advice, please speak to the staff on the gates at the start and end of the day.

SEND

Miss Hoey is now our school SENCO. She has worked in this role for a number of years — both independently and alongside Mrs Evans. If you have any queries relating to SEND, please contact Miss Hoey via the school office. Mrs Evans has been seconded to work for our trust for the academic year so that she can use her knowledge of SEND to support all of the schools in the MAT.

Free School Meals (FSM)

Please be aware that Universal Free School Meals (UFSM) are for children in Reception and Years 1 and 2 only - when the children move into Year 3, meals will need to be paid for. If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please contact the school office to fill out a form. If you are unsure about eligibility, it is worthwhile checking with the school office.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child comes to school with a water bottle each day. We encourage the children to drink WATER (not juice please) throughout the day – particularly when the weather is so warm.

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Staying Safe Online

Please follow the National Online Safety Centre for weekly ideas about helping to keep your child safe online - @natonlinesafety

This week the messages are all about live streaming – something we know

many of our children do!





PE with Mark

Mark comes in each week and works with EYFS and KS1. Our littlest learners in EYFS have had their first session with Mark this week and for some, it was the first time that they had ever done PE. We are so proud of the children – they used very good listening skills, completed lots of physical activity and practised counting and their colours at the same time. They started off the session with a bit of yoga to ensure that they had stretched well and were ready for PE! Of course, Mark then joined EYFS for Fun Snack Friday!

Keep up to date!

To help us ensure that you are kept up to date as possible with school information and events, please make sure that your contact details are up to date and correct in the office. Give us a follow on Twitter - @EgremontPrimary and look out for the relevant year group feeds on there too!

Reading — We are encouraging the children to 'Strive for Five' with their reading. Please support and encourage them to read at home 5 times per week.



