



Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back to a new school year and an especially warm welcome to our new reception children and their parents/carers. I hope you have had good family times in the Summer holiday and are ready for school.

The staff team are excited for a new academic year and are looking forward to working with your children.

We had a great INSET day today. We have been learning about trauma informed practice, safeguard updates, reviewing our Behaviour Policy as well as timetabling and planning some fun future activities. A positive year is ahead.

Staffing

We are delighted to welcome Ms Anna Moore to our team—she will be teaching Class3 with Mrs Curran. Do say hello and share your usual warm Eastington welcome to her. She is really looking forward to working in our school and with our children.

Uniform

We are very proud of our school uniform as it shows every child belongs in our school community. Our uniform does not need to be branded—we understand budgets are tight. Our wonderful PA hold pre-loved uniform sales throughout the year to support families and the environment too. Please support your child in being ready for school by wearing our uniform.

Our uniform outlined below.

- black, flat school shoes (no slip ons/sliders). Trainers are not ideal school footwear as they often have fabric sections which do not protect from rain. If trainers are to be worn, they must be black only.
- black/grey trousers (not jean/fleece material)
- black/grey skirt (skirts at least knee length, not jean material)
- white shirt/blouse
- red sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan
- white/grey/black socks
- if cold, black/grey tights can be worn with skirts
- if warm, red & white check dress can be worn
- if warm, black/grey school shorts can be worn (not jean/fleece material)

A reminder too that we do not allow jewellery such as rings/bracelets/necklaces. In-addition, we do not allow make-up/coloured lip balm or nail varnish to be worn to school.

Traditional watches are allowed, as are small stud earrings. Fitbits are allowed but not smart watches if they are linked to phones/have a camera facility.

Please clearly name all items of uniform – it is the only way to ensure uniform items are returned to their owners.

Behaviour Policy

We will e-mail you the updated Behaviour Policy and attach it on the school website when finalised for you to read soon. This will include reference to the Zones of Regulation approach which we implemented last year. Zones of regulation support children in regulating their feelings through naming them and developing strategies to support themselves—please find a summary leaflet on this if you are new to the school or want a refresher.

Curriculum information

We know many of you want to find out more about what your child is learning this term, please head to our website: <https://www.eastingtonprimary.co.uk/subjectinformation/>

Look for the '**Curriculum**' tab and click on a class. You will find a summary of learning for each subject.

Allergy/Food Intolerance

As with most schools, we have children onsite who are allergic to nuts. Just a reminder, please do not send in lunch/break snacks which contain these products to help us ensure we can keep these children safe. Many thanks.

Medical Information

We know a lot can happen in a Summer. If you have any updated medical, food allergy/intolerance information, please do collect a form from the reception area to let us know. Many thanks.

DIARY DATES:

Autumn Term 1

September 2nd : INSET day for staff

September 3rd : First day of term for children

September 8-12: Bikeability for Y6

September 10th: Reception, Year 1, Year 2 Reading Parent information Evening 5.30pm

September 22nd: Parent evening— 3.30—6.30 Information to follow

September 24th: Parent evening— 3.30— 6.30 Information to follow

September 25th: School Council Educational Visit to Redwood Outdoor Learning—TBC

October 14th: Y5/Y6 STEM Day at Wycliffe College—TBC

October 22nd: School Photographer—Individuals & siblings

October 23rd : Last day of Term for children

October 24th : INSET day for staff

Thank you for your support,

Zoe Avastu
Headteacher

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