

THE EDWARD RICHARDSON PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

"Love to learn and learn to love."



WHAT'S GOING ON?

12 th Sep	11+ Paper 1 (Y6)
19 th Sep	11+ Paper 2 (Y6)
23 rd Sep	Paul Sturges Visit
25 th Sep	School Photos (individuals)
3 rd Oct	School Council Election Day
14 th Oct	Parents' Evening 1
14 th Oct	Parents' Evening 2
15 th Oct	Luke Temple Visit 1
16 th Oct	Luke Temple Visit 2
20 th Oct	Class 4 PGL Residential
23 rd Oct	Last day of Term 1
3 rd Nov	First day of Term 2



GOING HOME ON THE BUS?

Please remember to complete the Bus Register (found on your ParentMail account) by Friday of the previous week. Of course, if any circumstances change during the week, just email or call us to let us know.

NUT-FREE ZONE!

Just a reminder that we are a nut-free school so please bear this in mind when packing your child's lunch or snacks.



SMIIIIIIILE!



A message should have already landed in your inbox about school photographs, which will once again be taken by Wrates Photography on Thursday 25th September.

All children will be photographed individually, and there is a separate form to complete only if you would like a sibling photo.

As always, if you have any questions or if anything isn't clear, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

Short Version: School photos on 25th September – any requests for siblings must be made using the online form!

YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

I have to begin this first newsletter of the academic year with some sad news. The three main positions of our PSFA (Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer) will all be stepping down at the AGM on Tuesday 16th September after years of tireless but INCREDIBLE work.

Following their email last week, there has so far been no interest in filling these roles. This means that, unless new volunteers come forward, the PSFA may, unfortunately, have to disband at the meeting. Without a committee, many of the events that the children love (fairs, discos, film nights and more) will not be able to take place.

If you are interested in joining or taking on one of these roles, please do let us know. The current team are very happy to offer support and guidance to new members, or simply hand things over if that's preferred.

This is a real opportunity to make a difference to our school community, bring fresh ideas, and help create memorable experiences for the children.

Short Version: Please help save our PSFA!

BUT IN POSITIVE NEWS...

Despite beginning with the sad news above, it *really* is wonderful to be back and to feel the energy, vibrancy and love of our school community. At this time of year, I am busy giving tours to new families, and we have already received so many positive comments about how lovely the school looks and the welcoming atmosphere within it.

We are incredibly proud of all that has been achieved - and that's even before we mention our fantastic statutory assessment results from last year!

Short Version: We're back and we love it!

COME AND HAVE A LOOK!

We are in the process of organising dates for our Parent Shares and Family Afternoons, and will add these to the School Calendar and share them with you as soon as they are confirmed. For our new parents, here's a little more about what these events involve:

PARENT SHARE: A 30-minute session where you can come in and spend time with your child(ren) in class. It's a lovely chance to see school life through their eyes.

FAMILY AFTERNOON: Family members are invited in for up to 30 minutes at the end of the day to look through all of your child's work. This replaces having books available at Parents' Evening and gives you much more time to explore their progress without the pressure of an appointment.

Short Version: Parent Share and Family Afternoon dates for the Autumn term will be coming soon!

SOMETHING NEW WITH YOU?

If any of your details (address, phone number, etc) have changed, please let us know via email and we can update our records. This includes your list of who can collect your child from school too.

Short Version: Keep us updated, please!

