

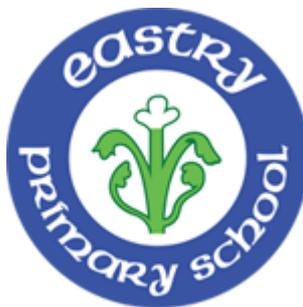
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Newsletter No 12, 30 November 2017

Dear Parents,

### THANK YOU!

#### A Big Thank You from the PTA

The PTA would like to thank you for supporting last week's Film Night which raised £241.00.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this such an enjoyable evening for the children.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Week Commencing Monday, 4 December - PTA Christmas Present Wrapping

The PTA have organised Christmas present wrapping for the children during the week commencing 4 December at lunchtimes from 12.30 to 1.00pm. The children will be able to purchase small gifts ranging from 50p to £5.00 for Mums, Dads, Grandparents, siblings, family and friends. If you are able to help during the lunchtimes please let a member of the PTA or school office know.

#### Thursday, 7 December – Year 4 visit to see 'This Turbulent Priest'

#### Thursday, 7 December – PTA Christmas Disco

**Fledglings, Years 1 & 2 - 3.30 to 4.30pm**

**Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 – 4.45 to 5.45pm**

The PTA will be holding a Christmas Disco on Thursday, 7 December. Tickets cost £3.00 to be paid in advance and include pizza or chicken nuggets and unlimited squash. There will be a tuck shop and a small number of stalls selling festive items for the children to purchase. Please can children bring money in a purse or wallet labelled with their name. We also have Christmas Present Wrapping running that week so please can children bring money in a separate envelope for this event. **Please note this is a non-uniform day for Fledglings, Year 1 & Year 2 only.** Further information was sent home with last week's newsletter and additional copies are available from the school office. Slips and payment need to be returned to the school office by **Friday, 1 December**.

#### Friday, 8 December – Flu Immunisation

The school nursing team will be administering the flu immunisations for children in Fledglings to Year 4 who have consented to this.

#### Monday, 11 December at 2.30pm and Tuesday, 12 December at 9.15am – Nativity Play in the School Hall

Children in Fledglings, Year 1 and Year 2 have been practising every day for our school Nativity Play and once again it is promising to be a real treat. You and your families are welcome to attend.

Please see over



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Christmas Parties

**Tuesday, 12 December - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 in the afternoon**

**Wednesday, 13 December - Fledglings, Year 1 and 2 in the afternoon**

**Children can wear party clothes for the whole day but please make sure they are warm enough.** Class teachers will be sending out further details shortly but if your child does have a food allergy, please supply them with their own food for the party, thank you.

### Christingle Services -

**Wednesday, 13 December - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6**

**Thursday, 14 December - Whole School**

We are holding two Christingle Services which will be led by the children in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 on Wednesday, 13 December at **2.15pm** and Thursday, 14 December at **9.15pm** at St. Mary's Church, Eastry. Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will receive their Christingle on the Wednesday and Fledglings, Years 1 and 2 will receive theirs on the Thursday. **Children in Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 need to be collected from the church on Wednesday, 13 December.** If you have children in both groups, the staff in Fledglings, Years 1 and 2 are happy to keep your child(ren) so you can walk back to school from the church with your older child(ren) on Wednesday, 13 December. **All children should be brought to school at the normal time on Thursday, 14 December and they will be walked to and from the church for the service.**

**Accompanying this Newsletter is a Children's Society collecting candle. Please do give generously as money raised goes to help children less fortunate.**

### Thursday, 14 December - Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch this year is on Thursday, 14 December. Children came home with further information last week and **forms need to be returned by Friday, 1 December** if your child is in Year 3, 4, 5 or 6 and would like a Christmas Lunch.

### Thursday, 14 December – Nativity Procession leaving School at 3.15pm

You are invited to line the playground and the streets to watch the Christmas procession led by Reverend David Ridley and **Year 5** complete with donkey! They will walk to the church for a short service and will then walk through the village, hoping to find a room at the inn for Mary and Joseph, finally finishing at the Old Fire Station attached to the Five Bells. We are delighted to once again take part in this event and hope as many as possible will be able to join us. **CHILDREN IN YEAR 5 SHOULD BE COLLECTED FROM THE FIVE BELLS AT 4.15PM.**

### Friday, 15 December – Christmas Jumper Day!

On Friday, 15 December children may wear a Christmas Jumper to school if they wish, no donations are required.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Year 4 have been designing Pop-up cards - learning box folds and springs this week and designing children's toys through the use of computer software.

#### **HAVE YOU HEARD?**

Year 3 have been designing and making picture frames in Design and Technology

## OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION

### PTA Jingle Jackpot

The PTA will be holding a Christmas Raffle with a chance to win £50, £30 or £20. The PTA will be selling tickets at various events leading up to Christmas

### Early Morning Club

The register for the Early Morning Club for Term 3 is now open. If you would like your child to attend early morning club in Term 3 please ask at the school office or telephone the school after 9.00am even if your child attended in Term 2. **Please can we remind parents that places MUST be booked in advance as this is now full most mornings and we cannot accommodate more than 20 children.** If you have booked a place and subsequently find you do not need this please let the school know so that it can be offered to someone else.

### The Beginning of the School Day

The school gates open at 8.35am and the school day and registration takes place at 8.50am. In order to help prevent disruption to learning please can we ask that children are ready in class by 8.50am. Thank you for your support.

### School Website

Eastry School has recently featured in 'The Governor' magazine with an article about interventions in school. If you would like to read this article it is available to view on the school's website under SENCO entitled 'Impactful Intervention news article'.

We would like to remind parents to take a look at our new school website where you will find lots of useful information as well as the school calendar and upcoming events.

### Starting Primary School in September 2018

We would like to remind parents who have children born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 that you need to apply for a place at primary school before 15 January 2018 even if you already have another child in the school. On-line applications can be made by visiting [www.kent.gov.uk/ola](http://www.kent.gov.uk/ola) and further information is available on [www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](http://www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions).

## COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

### Road Closure Notice

Please be advised that **Gore Lane will be closed** week commencing 4 December. To help with congestion, please consider parking further away and walking to school. Thank you for your co-operation.

### New Coffee Shop in Eastry

The new owners of the Eastry Coffee House would like to welcome parents, carers and family to their new coffee shop which has opened in Eastry at Fiveways, The Cross. They serve freshly ground coffee, beverages, sandwiches, and a variety of savoury items and cakes. Opening hours are Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 4.30pm & Saturday, 9.00am to 4.00pm. They also have a children's story teller visiting the shop on Saturday, 9 December from 9.30am to 10.30am. Tickets cost £3.50 and include a drink and a snack. To book a place please telephone 01304 615433 or book through their Facebook page.

### Award Winners

Award Winners on Monday, 27 November were;

Fledglings	Leo Watson	Year 1	Hatty Gleave
Year 2	Leo Jackson-Roberts	Year 3	Louise Higgins
Year 4	James Baker	Year 5	Chloe Cave
Year 6	Matthew Bonner		

Yours sincerely

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