

### Important Items in this newsletter:

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- ◆ **Macmillan Coffee Morning**



### Star of the Week

Our first awards were given out in Celebration Assembly this week and will be recorded next week.

### Open Mornings/Evening

The school will be hosting a series of Open Mornings (and an Open Evening) for parents of children who will start Reception in September 2019.

The Open Mornings will be on Fridays in October. Details will follow shortly or you can contact the office for more information.

## STAFF VACANCIES

As we start the new term several opportunities have arisen to join our staff team. These include a **midday meals supervisor**, an **after school club assistant** and a **Teaching/Learning Assistant** role.

Further details are available at the school office (01273 874050) or by emailing Sue Hubbard:

bursar@eastbrook.w-sussex.sch.uk.



Dear All

We hope everyone had a lovely summer. Once again we have been delighted with the way all of our children have settled back into school life. We would particularly like to welcome all

the pupils who have joined Eastbrook this term. We have new pupils in most year groups across the school and of course two new classes of Reception pupils.

During the Summer holidays the Years 3 and 4 classrooms have been repaired and repainted and are looking much brighter. This is part of an on-going improvement programme to keep the school in good repair.

We are delighted that all of our class teachers have remained with us so most of the staff should be familiar to you. Miss Perkins continues as EYFS Lead and Mr Trower remains KS1 Lead. Mrs Sutcliff is our Lead Teacher in Year 3, with Mr Owen overseeing Lower Key Stage 2. Mrs Witham is due back from maternity leave later this term and will resume her role as Upper Key Stage 2 Lead.

One important change for everyone to be aware of is that we have a new Special Needs Coordinator (SENCo). Mrs Jenny Holter retired at the end of the academic year and we are pleased to welcome, Mrs Vanessa Smith to Eastbrook. Mrs Smith has a wealth of special needs experience and has held the role of SENCo in a previous school.

All of our Senior Leadership team, which includes our Business Manager, Mrs Sue Hubbard, and our Special Educational Needs Coordinator, Mrs Vanessa Smith, are available if you have anything you wish to discuss. This can be done by making an appointment via the School Office.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Meet the Teacher events, if you missed one of the meetings, notes are available from the school office. During the Key Stage 2 meetings we asked parents to support us with our decision to stop allowing children to bring precious/expensive items into school (including stationery). We would like to thank you for helping us with this. We look forward to working with you to ensure another successful year at Eastbrook.

Julia Sherlock (Headteacher)

## Telephoning the School

We have an incoming call system so that parents/carers can leave a message when their child is absent. We would kindly request that any pupil absence is reported **before 9.30am** each school day. Just a reminder, the school office telephone number is **01273 874050**.

If you do need to call us to advise of different arrangements for collecting your child at the end of the school day, may we please ask that you call us **by 2.00pm**, whenever possible, so that messages can be passed on to the class teacher. Alternatively you can leave a message on the whiteboards situated outside the EYFS/ KS1 classrooms.

Many thanks.

## Term Dates for your Diary

### Autumn Term 2019

|  |            |  |
|--|------------|--|
| Thursday 19th September                | Y5/6       | Shoreham Academy Open Evening              |
| Friday 20th September                  | Y1-6       | NSPCC talks                                |
| Friday 27th September                  | All        | MacMillan Coffee Morning                   |
| Friday 4th October                     | EYFS       | Open morning for 2020 starters             |
| Friday 4th October                     | Y1         | Trip to Lewes Castle                       |
| Friday 4th October                     | Y4         | Trip to Weald and Downland Museum          |
| Thursday 10th October                  | All        | Flu vaccinations (letter to follow)        |
| Friday 18th October                    | EYFS       | Open morning for 2020 starters             |
| Monday 21st October                    | All        | Astra colour individual photographs        |
| Friday 25th October                    | All        | Dress down day for firework night          |
| <b>Friday 8th November</b>             | <b>All</b> | <b>PTA firework display</b>                |
| <b>Mon 28th Oct - Fri 1st Nov 2019</b> | <b>All</b> | <b>Half Term Holiday</b>                   |
| <b>Mon 4th November</b>                | <b>All</b> | <b>INSET Day (School closed to pupils)</b> |
| <b>Friday 20th December 2019</b>       | <b>All</b> | <b>Last day of Autumn Term</b>             |

### Spring Term 2020

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|-----------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| Monday 6th January          | All | INSET Day (School closed to pupils) |
| Tuesday 7th January         | All | First day of Spring Term for pupils |
| Mon 17th Feb - Fri 21st Feb | All | Half Term Holiday                   |
| Fri 3rd April 2020          | All | Last day of Spring Term             |

### Summer Term 2020

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|-----------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------------|
| Monday 20th April                 | All | INSET Day (School closed to pupils)  |
| Tuesday 21st April                | All | First day of Summer Term for pupils  |
| Friday 8th May                    | All | Early May Bank Holiday (date change) |
| Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May | All | Half Term Holiday                    |
| Thursday 16th July                | All | Last day of Summer term for pupils   |

## **MacMillan Coffee Morning**

The school will be holding it's annual coffee morning in aid of the MacMillan Cancer Charity on **Friday 27th September** from 9am to 10am in the school hall.

We would really appreciate donations of cakes and biscuits on Thursday 26th September or first thing on the Friday morning. Donations can be dropped off at the school office or taken to class by pupils. We hope as many people as possible can join us for the coffee morning and help us raise some money for this important charity.

## **Swimming News**

**Our swimming pool opens this week for pupils in Year 2—6. Lessons will run for six weeks. We ask that parents help us to keep this important resource operational by paying the £30 we need to cover costs. Please look out for a separate letter with all the details.**

### **Newsletters**

Our Newsletters are normally published fortnightly, on a Friday, and can be downloaded from our website. Later in the term we are planning to email copies, so please make sure the office has an up-to-date email address. If you would like a paper copy please inform the office and they will add you to the list of parent/carers receiving a copy of the newsletter in that format.

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