



## EASTWAY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER March 2022



*It is so lovely to welcome Spring this week. The sun is shining, school is busy and children are happy and learning. We have had another jam packed month and lots to celebrate and look forward to, including the Easter Break! Thanks again for all your support in making Eastway the wonderful community centered school that it is, Mrs Morris.*

### Working with Families

We loved welcoming so many of you in for Breakfast with a Book and Meet the Teacher this month, these are the events that we have missed so much during the last two years. We have a number of further events coming up including Secret Reader, Family Quiz, SEND Coffee Morning, ADHD Foundation Workshops, Bedtime Stories and lots, lots more! We continue to hold our Family Works sessions on a Wednesday afternoon 1pm to 2pm with Mrs Cullen and Mrs Dennett. Our PEEP Nursery sessions are every Tuesday morning 9.00am to 10.00am. All parents/carers from Nursery and Explorers are welcome. We also have the baby group, Early Explorers every Tuesday and Sparkles Parent & Baby group every Thursday.



### Eastway Express

What a fabulous success this is, thanks to all the families who popped in and grabbed some bargains, or even tried one of our tea time grab bags -these bags have all the ingredients and recipe for a quick and easy family tea. We are open 9.00 - 10.00am and 3.00 - 4.00pm everyday, however, if you need to pop in during the day Mrs Toolan is there till 2.00pm from Wed - Fri and will be happy to help. We appreciate all your feedback and taking on board your requests for other items you'd like to see in the shop. Finally, a massive thank you to our volunteers who give up their time to help stock and run Eastway Express, you are all incredible.

### After School Clubs

Our After school clubs have been so popular. The feedback from the children is fabulous. We are so happy to see the children taking part and having lots of fun. The last week for clubs is week commencing 28<sup>th</sup> March, except for Crazy Science, Pottery and Robotics club which will continue on the last week of term. There will be no clubs run after school after the Easter holidays as staff focus on after school tuition, catch up groups and sporting fixtures. Clubs will be available again in the last half term before the summer holidays.



**Class Representatives** We had a very productive and positive meeting this month and look forward to continuing the good work. The minutes of the meeting are available on our school website. In our next meeting, we will be asking for feedback from all year groups and families on support for those in school with special educational needs. Please feedback to your Class Rep before the meeting and share any positive and areas of concern/ development. We know that we are stronger when we work together.

### World Book Day

What a day we had! We were delighted to see so many families join us for 'Breakfast with a Book' to kick off our day. The children enjoyed taking part in a range of activities throughout the day including: designing their own wooden spoon book characters, creating bookmarks, book swaps, opening new book deliveries, reading quizzes, creating their own 'Recommended Reads' posters, listening to adults across the school share their favourite stories in our whole school reading carousel and much much more. If you haven't already, please check out our Twitter page where you can see all the exciting things we got up to!

**Eastway Loves Numbers** Thank you for all your entries for our Eastway Loves Numbers competition - we couldn't believe how many numbers the children found around them and your creative photos showing them. We'll be putting up the pictures in school soon so look out for your entry. A huge well done to Molly who won the competition and our runners up: Finley, Thomas and Austin.

### Year 5 & 6 World Book Day Event at Anfield

On Tuesday 15th March, Year 5 and 6 were very lucky to get a special visit to Anfield stadium! Children were immersed into a variety of activities focusing on the celebration of World Book Day. Children loved meeting the author of the Football School series, Ben Lyttleton - some children were even given free copies of books! From penalties with Mighty Red, the club mascot, to a tour around the new Main Stand, children had an action packed afternoon and left with smiles on their faces - talking about reading!

### Easter Service - Year 3 and Year 4

On Thursday 7th April, Year 3 and 4 will be performing their Easter service at Moreton Methodist Church. We will start promptly at 10:00am and would love to invite our Year 3 and 4 Parents/Carers along to watch. More information will be shared with the year group families next week.



### Tranmere Rovers

Andy Heywood from Tranmere Rovers' Football Learning Partnership has been in school working alongside our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils. He has been working with a small group to develop Playtime Leaders for the playground and is exploring active maths problems with year 5.

### Hoops for Health

Next week we have an exciting opportunity with Hoops for Health (linked to Cheshire Phoenix Basketball Club) coming in to work with both Year 5 and 6 children to develop their understanding and love of basketball and being active. They will also be running the afterschool Basketball Club on Tuesday.



### Science Week

Last week was British Science Week. Mrs Brown, our Science Lead had the opportunity to go into most classes to deliver a session about the theme Growth. All children could tell her what they have been learning in school and what growth meant to them. We have uploaded lots of pictures onto Twitter from the week so we hope you will enjoy viewing them. We also had some wonderful homework which we are going to display in throughout school.

**Neurodiversity Week** This week we are celebrating diversity. The children will have a range of sessions to teach them about differences and acceptance. This is all part of our whole school culture of inclusion and something that we are incredibly proud of. As we know, our children learn through experiences and exposure, we are wanting to enhance our diverse book collections in school. Miss Dalby has set up an Amazon Wishlist and we have already received so many books and are incredibly grateful.



**Comic Relief - Red Nose Day** What an amazing day we had on Friday seeing the children come into school dressed as super heroes for Comic Relief and in yellow and blue in support of the people of Ukraine. Thank you so much for supporting us and providing your children with super costumes and clothes to celebrate! We are so proud of our school and families for raising £133.21 altogether. We are proud to be sharing our total equally this year in half for Comic Relief and for a charity that is supporting the people of Ukraine. The proceeds of the cake sale were £105.00, which also will be sent to the Ukraine appeal. **#WeStandWithUkraine**



### **Upcoming events**

#### **Easter Tombola**

On the last day of term, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April, we will have an Easter Egg Tombola in the school canteen. This will be 50p a ticket. We would welcome donations of Easter Eggs for the tombola from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April onwards at the Family Centre or to your child's class teacher.

#### **Spring Fling Disco**

A reminder to get your dancing shoes on! On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April, we will have our school discos, and we cannot wait. We will have a low sensory inclusive disco 2.30pm, EYFS & KS1 3.00pm, the KS2 at 4.30pm. Children in Reception and KS1 will get changed in school and go straight to the disco and be collected at 4.15pm from the Main School Entrance. KS2 will go home as usual and be collected at 5.30pm. We will have drinks, treats, a quiet room with spring crafts and lots more! Tickets will be £2.50 each (cash payments please for a ticket) and will include crafts, face paint, tattoo and a goody bag.



#### **Easter Holiday Club**

Full details were sent home yesterday. There will be two different options.

**Childcare Provision** This will be from 8.30am until 3.00pm at the cost of £15.00 per child, per day for our working families. This will include all food, drinks and activities throughout the day. To pay for this, please go to ParentPay and book your sessions directly.

**Activity Sessions** We will also have activity sessions from 10.00am until 2.00pm (this will also include a daily lunch, snacks and drinks) for eligible families. **Please register your interest on the google form we have sent home yesterday.**



### **Early Bank Holiday Monday & Polling Day**

A reminder that school will be closed for all pupils on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May as it is May Bank Holiday. School will also be closed for our children in Explorers and Nursery (only) on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May, as our Family Centre will be used as a Polling Station. All children in the rest of the school should attend as usual.

### **May Day Cake Sale**

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May we will have a Cake Sale after school. If you can kindly donate cakes for the sale, we would ask that children bring them in on the morning of the sale. We will have Cake Stalls on the Key Stage One playground at the end of the day.

### **Year 4 AmaSing Performance**

Year 4 will be taking part in a musical concert on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May to celebrate our Differences, Diversity and Multiculturalism. This will bring music, dance, art and drama together. The concert will raise money for both SEN and NHS charities and will take place at the Floral Pavilion in New Brighton. If you would like to come and watch the concert, tickets will be available from the Floral Pavilion website. More information will be given nearer the time.

### **Queen's Jubilee Celebrations**

As we missed out on our Eastway is Eighty celebration due to the pandemic, we are going to have an amazing, extra special celebration for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and our belated birthday. It will be a 1940s/50s themed street party with events and activities for the whole family. Save the date - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022. We will send more information home soon!



<b>Upcoming Events &amp; dates for your diary</b>	
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March</b>	SEND Monthly Coffee Morning- KOALA North West
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 - Bedtime Stories @ 4.30pm
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Spring Fling Disco (low sensory inclusive disco 2.30pm, EYFS & KS1 3pm, KS2 4.30pm)
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Easter Egg Tombola (from 1.00pm in the school canteen) LAST DAY OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSING AT 1.30PM
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Easter Holiday Club
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April</b>	SCHOOL RE-OPENS TO STAFF AND PUPILS
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April</b>	SEND Monthly Coffee Morning- Educational Psychologist
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED TO STAFF AND PUPILS
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	SCHOOL RE-OPENS TO STAFF AND PUPILS
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Polling Station - School close for Nursery and Explorers ONLY
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	May Day Cake Sale
<b>Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 6 SATs Week
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	SEND Monthly Coffee Morning- WIRED- SEND Support for Wirral Families
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Queen's Jubilee Party LAST DAY OF TERM 3.15pm finish - SAS is running as normal
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR PUPILS Phonics Screening Check for Year 1

<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	End of Year Reports sent at home
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Sports Day
<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	SEND Monthly Coffee Morning- Wirral Special Schools
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July</b>	SEND Monthly Coffee Morning- Wirral Head of SEND Katy Bird
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 Leavers Assembly & Prom
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	LAST DAY OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSES AT 1.30PM
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July</b>	School Holiday Club Starts