



# Ernesettle Community School Newsletter

## March 2019

## Together We Learn

...always striving to be outstanding, transforming the aspirations of a community.

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Welcome to the March newsletter, this term seems to have flown by, only one week left until the Easter break!

Term 4 has been another great term for the school, with the children, staff and community continuing to do us proud; their hard work, positive outlook on life and aspirations to have brilliant futures are just some of the things that make our school so special.

In order to keep the bar as high as ever, we revisited our expectations for uniform this week and noticed that the children's footwear has slipped a little. We have spoken to the majority of children who need to ensure they are wearing flat, black, school shoes. Those children who had fallen into the habit of not changing back into their school shoes were given the deadline of today to make sure that this was addressed. For those children who need new school shoes, we have set the deadline of the first day after the Easter break please. Thank you for your support with this.

With the Mothers' Day Reception Assemblies and our first ever Mothers' Day Afternoon tea this week, we hope you all had a lovely time. If I don't speak to you before, may I take this opportunity to wish you all the best for a wonderful and restful Easter break.

### Breakfast Club & After School Club

Breakfast Club & After School Club continue to be available five days a week providing childcare from **7.30am** until **6.00pm**. Please contact the school office for further details.

**BREAKFAST CLUB AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB HOURS HAVE BEEN INCREASED FURTHER TO SUPPORT WORKING PARENTS/CARERS AND ENABLE THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE CURRENTLY SEEKING EMPLOYMENT TO HAVE FAR MORE FLEXIBILITY WHEN LOOKING FOR JOBS OR TRAINING.**

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING SYSTEM

After School Club now operates a booking system via Parentpay, please contact the school office or Aly Mallett, the Extended Schools Club Supervisor should you require any further details.

**Some families may be able to claim the cost of these clubs back through Tax Credits.**

**Breakfast Club costs £2 per day with After School Club costing £2 for 3.15pm-4.30pm and £5 for 3.15pm – 6.00pm.**

### ParentPay

Can you please ensure that Breakfast Club, After School Club and Nursery bookings are paid for and booked in advance through ParentPay.



**If you are beginning to think about booking holidays for next year, please ensure you book them outside of term time, as we cannot authorise any holidays during the school year. The 2019-2020 dates are as follows:**

Term Dates <b>2019-2020</b> for Pupils	
<u>Term 1</u>	
First day of school:	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2019
Last day of school:	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
<u>Term 2</u>	
First day of school:	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2019
Last day of school:	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2019
<u>Term 3</u>	
First day of school:	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2020
Last day of school:	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
<u>Term 4</u>	
First day of school:	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Last day of school:	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
<u>Term 5</u>	
First day of school:	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
Last day of school:	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020
Bank Holiday/s:	Mondays 13 <sup>th</sup> April & 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
<u>Term 6</u>	
First day of school:	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2020
Last day of school:	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2020

**Holiday Club dates have been confirmed as 29<sup>th</sup> July 2019, 5<sup>th</sup> August 2019 & 21<sup>st</sup> October 2019.**

Term Dates <b>2018-2019</b> for Pupils	
<u>Term 4</u>	
Last day of school:	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
<u>Term 5</u>	
First day of school:	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019
Last day of school:	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2019
Bank Holidays:	Mondays 22 <sup>nd</sup> April & 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2019
<u>Term 6</u>	
First day of school:	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2019
Last day of school:	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2019



As you are aware, the Department for Education and Regional School Commissioner has selected our MAT, The Inspire Multi-Academy Trust (South West), to sponsor Tor Bridge Primary School after it was placed in 'Special Measures' in November 2018.

We are also currently supporting the school whilst it remains under the control of the Local Authority until the academisation process is completed in August 2019. This opportunity will lead to further opportunities for both schools and will also ensure that Ernesettle can continue to build on its successes and aspirations for our children. We will keep you informed over the coming months of the forthcoming changes and developments.



## Governor Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

The 'Voice in a Million' event looked fantastic and was a great experience for all concerned. On top of World Book Day and Science Days, the school has certainly been buzzing! Lots of opportunity for Y4, Y5 and Y6 to practise their French too – I hope they tried it out on you at home as well!

The Trustee Board and the Local Advisory Board have had a busy few weeks – not only looking at the present progress of the school but working on planning for the coming years and this leads me on to the next exciting news.....

The vision and ethos of the school will now be spreading to a new member of the Inspire Multi Academy Trust (South West) - we will welcome the children, families and staff of Tor Bridge Primary School to the Trust the summer, following on from the support given to the school prior to a successful sponsorship application.

We would also like to inform you that, from September 2020, there will be a larger number of places available for pupils joining the school in Reception. This should enable more children who have been in the school's Nursery and Pre-school and beyond to carry on their education through to Y6 and enjoy the inspirational teaching and memorable learning that takes place at our school.

Best wishes from us all,

Carol  
Chair, on behalf of the Trustees and Local Governors



### 'Family Support Advisor'

**Just a reminder that to contact Kelly, our Family Support Advisor, you can:**

- collect a contact form from reception, fill it in and she will call you back
- pop in and she will arrange a time to see you
- email her on [fsadvisor@ecs.plymouth.sch.uk](mailto:fsadvisor@ecs.plymouth.sch.uk)
- use the 'Contact Us' form on the school's website

If you would like to call Kelly, please ring the school number on (01752) 201177 and choose option 2, if she is not available or it is out of hours, please leave a message, she will return your call as soon as possible.

### PTA

The PTA are looking forward to seeing all your Easter bonnets and Easter gardens, they always look super. We would like to thank you for your support with the Mothers' Day magnets too. If you would like to join the PTA please contact the school office.



### Attendance Awards

Just a reminder that all children with an attendance rate of 98.5% and above are entered into the draw for the £50 Smyths voucher at the end of terms 2, 4 & 6. Those children with 100% get two tickets each term!

Please give your child the best chance of winning this super prize by ensuring that they are in school every day and that dental and medical appointments are taken outside of the school day.



**Attend to Achieve**

Every Child. Every Day.