



Ecclesbourne Primary School

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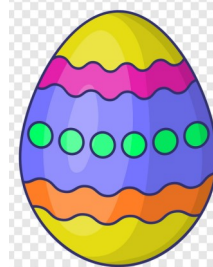


Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of the term and it hardly seems possible that we are already heading into the summer term. The year is flying by and but there is still lots to pack in. In the summer term many children will be taking on important assessments but we will also make sure there are lots of engaging opportunities for the children. Please see the calendar section of the website for upcoming dates. We will also try to keep you informed of other dates as soon as we have them. I wish you all a restful break and look forward to seeing you well rested and raring to go for the summer term.

Staffing. As many of you will have noticed, it has been a very challenging year for staffing in school. This is not something that is happening just at Ecclesbourne but across the education sector as a whole. As well as all the normal challenges of illness and changes in personal circumstances, we have been battling with lots of staff COVID cases and a severe shortage of supply teachers. We understand that it is unsettling for children and parents not to be greeted by the same face everyday and as far as possible we have tried to ensure that your child is being taught by someone who is familiar to them or at least known to the Trust. However, it has been an incredibly difficult term and we have been stretched like never before. We hope that next term we will have more consistency and stability in staffing and hopefully, your child will be seeing their class teacher all the time. Nevertheless, if you have any concerns or you feel your child is feeling anxious about changes in their classroom, please do let us know.

The Easter Egg Raffle. Many thanks to everyone who donated an egg or bought a raffle ticket. Although not everyone could be a winner, there were lots of children who went home happy with their prize. Also, your donations managed to raise £324 for the school. This money will be used to in school to support your child's learning.



The Felix Project Now that we have our Felix Project up and running and know a little bit more about what to expect on a week by week basis, we are asking for some volunteer parent helpers to set up our market stall. This would involve a commitment of about an hour on a Wednesday afternoon but if we get more helpers, we may be able to draw up a rota so that people don't have to come every week.

Dates for the diary

Monday 25th April School reopens for summer term
Monday 2nd May Bank Holiday school closed
Friday 29th April Times tables Rock Star Day- Dress up as a Rock star!
Wednesday May 4th Year 3 (Asteroids) Trip to Buddhapadipa Temple
Friday May 5th Year 3 (Meteors) Trip to Buddhapadipa Temple
Week beginning 9th May Year 6 SATs week.
18th May – 20th May Year 6 Residential trip
Thursday 26th May Year 1 Horniman museum trip
Friday 27th May Break for half term
Monday 6th June Return to school
Tuesday 7th June Year 2 trip to Morden Hall Park

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