

AUSTIN FARM

Academy

Newsletter 06/09/2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a fabulous summer holiday and spent some quality time with your friends and family. It has been wonderful to see the children's smiling faces as they came into school this week, they look very smart in new uniform with fresh haircuts and new shoes! We have all enjoyed hearing about what they have been doing over the past 6 weeks. As it has been a

shorter week for them, the class learning and learners of the week will begin next Friday, although I can assure you that they have started the year with enthusiasm and are working hard already!

Welcome to our lovely new EYFS children - we had 18 children start this week in our new Foundation class - they have settled in brilliantly and the older children have looked after them very well at playtimes. Next week, from Tuesday they will also have lunch with us; we are looking forward to them enjoying our tasty lunches.

School values - in assembly on Wednesday Leo reminded us of our school values and that we try each day to be Proud, Resilient and Respectful. I am pleased to report that everyone is managing this well, so far. In contrast to what happened in some parts of the country this summer, our children show respect to each other and try to ensure that everyone feels safe in school. I am very proud of the lovely children we have here and all visitors comment on how respectful they are. Thank you all for your support with this.

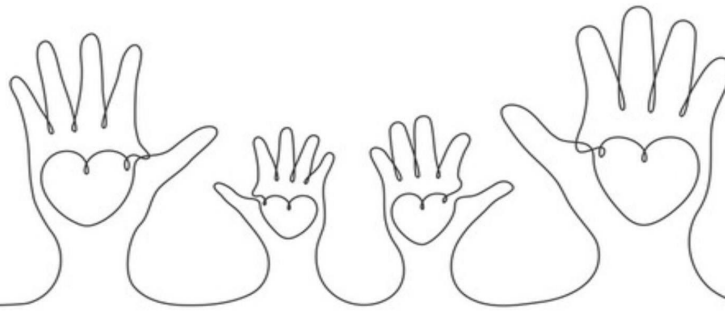
As you will have seen, the roadworks outside our school are causing traffic problems, the timing of this is beyond our control and we have been informed that they will last for 2 weeks. If you were thinking of being more active and walking to school, now is the time to do it, you never know it may actually end up being faster than driving!

Next week we will be having meet the teacher presentations on Wednesday after school for year 1-6, at 3.30 and 4.00 (they should last about 20 minutes). Please come to meet your child's new class teacher and teaching assistants, as well as find out important information about the routines and expectations for your child this year. It is really important that we show them we all value their education and work together as a team to help them have the best possible experience in school. It also helps you to know which days they need to wear their PE kits and the best way to contact the class teacher if you have any queries - although if you come to the presentation then most of your questions should be answered!

I hope you have a lovely weekend, despite the weather forecast...usually the minute we come back to school the sun shines, but it hasn't been the case this year!

Mrs Baptiste

LET'S TALK CHILDREN



“Let’s Talk about Children.....”

Therapeutic Parenting is a nurturing parenting style developed from consistent, empathic, and emotional based responses to your children as a response to their behaviours.

We believe that all children would benefit from experiencing therapeutic parenting and want to share this parenting style through the use of a ‘Therapeutic Toolbox’.

This programme is full to top tips and advice to support you and your child on the journey of parenting and growing up.

Venue	Session 1	Session 2
Estover Youth centre	Friday 14 th June 9:30am-12:30am	Friday 21 st June 9:30am-12:30am
Keyham Green Places	Wed 18 th September 9:30am-12:30am	Wed 25 th September 9:30-12:30am
Efford Library	Thursday 21 st November 11:30am-2:30pm	Thursday 28 th November 11:30-2:30pm
Crownhill Library	Friday 7 th February 9:30-12:30pm	Friday 14 th February 9:30-12:30pm
Estover Youth centre	Tuesday 22 nd April 11-2pm	Tuesday 29 th April 11-2pm
Efford Library	Thursday 12 th June 11:30-2:30pm	Thursday 19 th June 11:30-2:30pm



This is a 2 week programme and topics include :

- what does it mean to be a therapeutic parent?
- Emotions
- Anger and aggression
- Managing tricky behaviours
- Play
- Parental self care

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/plymouth-city-council-targeted-help-60431670123>

News from St Edward's Eggbuckland



Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to write to let you know about some exciting new things we are hoping to get off the ground this term. You can check up on the detail on our website

<https://www.fordervalley.org/groups-what-s-on> where there is a google calendar

Ready StEddy Go!

From this Sunday we are going to be offering something for families every Sunday at St Edwards at 11 in addition to our more traditional all age service at 9:30. To sign up for more information follow this link: <https://forms.gle/nHo6yNZTaPokbLS18>

September 8th Bubble Church – where puppets tell us the bible story with family group activities and snacks.

5th Nature Activities

22nd Pet Service where you can bring your pet for a special blessing in the church.

29th Family Games and Croissants.

October 6th Crafts

13th Bubble Church Harvest

20th Bee Sunday

And so on ... Please do consider giving us a try and opt in for whatever you feel comfortable with. As the nights get longer we'd love to be able to offer some other evening activities for families but are starting small for now.

New Youth Group Year 5-8

We are delighted to be partnering with Alex and Sam Cooper from Plymouth Youth for Christ to offer a new youth group for the areas for young people in years 5-8. We meet for the first time on Monday 9th in our sister church - Christ Church in Estover – next to the Elm Centre at the back of ASDA.

Again, depending on take up we hope to develop this further with the opportunity for more activities through the year and into the holidays. For more information follow the link <https://plymouth.yfc.co.uk/estover-rock-solid/>

Eddybears

Our stay-and-play group restarts at the earlier time of 9.30 from September 16th and runs in term time. If you look after a little one and haven't come before, give us a try, and expect a friendly welcome. We are popular but prioritise local families.

Community Café

We have a donations-only community café that meets every Wednesday in St Edwards Church Hall 11.30-1.00. All ages are welcome and there are toys and activities available for younger ones.

Save the Date Christmas Fair

Saturday November 23rd starting with a Christmas Tree Festival and songs in the church

When I moved here, I was told that the community hall was built for the church by members of the community and my hope going forward is that our connections with families will strengthen. We have just updated our website which you will hopefully find user friendly, and our hall users have been encouraged to advertise what they offer there so you can see the full range of opportunities available to you. We are always keen to hear from others who would like to have a go at offering something.

Some of you may have heard I was involved in a serious car accident in May and whilst I am on the mend it is going to take a while before I am fully back at work. Please be patient if things take a little longer for now. I am likely to be on a phased return until the new year.

With very best wishes,

Tatty

Rev Tatty Wilson

Vicar

St Edward's Eggbuckland

with Christ Church Estover

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Learners of the week.



Due to a very short week, will start announcing the winners on next week's newsletter.

Dates to remember!!!



- 17/09/2024 - Tempest - Individual and family photos
- 07/10/2024 - Bikeability Yr 3 and Yr 6

Menu Week 1

Week One					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Margarita Pizza	Norse Beef Burger in a Bun	Roast Chicken with Stuffing	Salmon & Broccoli Pasta in Tomato Sauce	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Quorn Burger in a Bun	Veggie Roast Wellington	Freshly Prepared Mac & Cheese	Vegetable Fingers
Sides	Sweetcorn & Pasta	Baked Beans Salad Sticks Potato Wedges	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Green Beans Sliced Carrots	Baked Beans or Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
Aid for pudding	Strawberry Mousse	Chocolate Surprise Brownie	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Flapjack with Apple Wedges	Chocolate Shortbread
Jacket Potato	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo
Sandwich Lunch	Egg Mayo Sandwich	Cheese & Salad Wrap	Tuna Mayo Sandwich	Ham & Salad Sandwich	Cheese Mayo & Cucumber Baguette
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives *Sandwich lunch: Served with salad sticks & yoghurt & piece of fruit				
Week starting:	15/04/24 - 07/05/24 - 03/06/24 - 30/06/24 - 15/07/24 - 09/08/24 - 30/09/24 - 23/10/24				

Week Two					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Margarita Pizza	Sausage Roll	Roast Gammon	Chicken & Vegetable Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Quorn & Vegetable Fajita	Vegan Sausage Roll	Cheese, Potato & Leek Parcel	Veggie Balls in Tomato Sauce	Cheese Omelette
Sides	Sweetcorn & Pasta	Baked Beans or Crunchy Salad Sticks & Diced Potatoes	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Pasta & Country Mixed Veg	Baked Beans or Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
Aid for pudding	Chocolate Arctic Roll	Sticky Toffee Cake	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Mandarin Orange Jelly	Oat & Sultana Cookie
Jacket Potato	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo
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Week starting:	22/04/24 - 13/05/24 - 10/06/24 - 01/07/24 - 22/07/24 - 16/09/24 - 07/10/24				

Week Three					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Margarita Pizza	Sticky Soy & Honey Chicken	Butchers Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding	Beef Bolognese	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake	Homemade Cheese Wheels	Quorn Sausage & Yorkshire Pudding	Quorn Bolognese	Quorn Dippers
Sides	Sweetcorn & Pasta	Baked Beans Peas & Diced Potatoes	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Green Beans Sweetcorn & Spaghetti	Baked Beans or Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
Aid for pudding	Orange & Mango Iced Smoothie	Rice Krispie Cake	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Only Apple Crunch	Homemade Jammy Dodger
Jacket Potato	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/Tuna Mayo
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Week starting:	29/04/24 - 20/05/24 - 17/06/24 - 08/07/24 - 02/09/24 - 23/09/24 - 14/10/24				

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Information on term time holidays from West Country Schools Trust.



WESTCOUNTRY
SCHOOLS TRUST


ATTENDANCE

WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

1 I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything. Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine. The fine is £160 but if you pay it in 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

£160



2 FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN.

IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE
10 IN 10 **5**

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised. The school will consider prosecution.

1 Day = **2** Sessions



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160
4 children & 1 parent = £640
Reduced to £320 if paid in 21 days

3 FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS

+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160

4 children & 2 parents = £1280
Reduced to £640 if paid in 21 days



If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

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2ND TIME

2 parents and 1 child = £320
2 children = 640
3 children = 960
4 children = 1280

3RD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court.
A magistrate can fine each parent £2500 for each child
1 parent & 4 children = £10,000
2 parents & 4 children = £20,000



No discount for early payment

Term dates

WeST Term Dates 2024 to 2025

Agreed for wider distribution

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Key: Peach - holiday periods; light green - weekends; blue - Trust NPDs; yellow - School NPDs

Important dates

Autumn Term Dates: Monday 2 September to Friday 25 October, then Monday 4 November to Friday 20 December

Term 1: 40 days (inc. School NPD Mon 2 Sept and WeST NPD Tues 3 Sept)

Term 2: 35 days

Spring Term Dates: Monday 6 January to Friday 14 February, then Monday 24 February to Friday 4 April

Term 3: 30 days (inc. School NPD Monday 6 January)

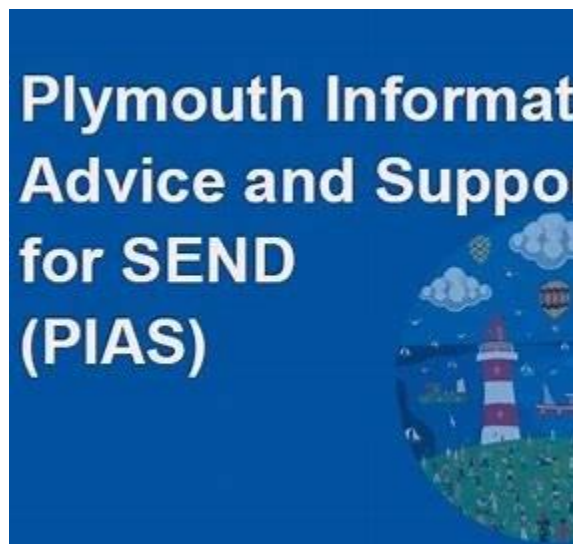
Term 4: 30 days

Summer Term Dates: Tuesday 22 April to Friday 23 May, then Monday 2 June to Tuesday 22 July (Note: NPDs on Mo 21 and Tu 22 Jul '25 are

disaggregated for staff twilight training throughout the year. The last day of the academic year for students and staff is Friday 18 July 2025)

Term 5: 23 days

Term 6: 37 days



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