



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good week- we certainly have!

On Monday, we welcomed Mrs Gaisie to Eastbrook Primary. She is our new Year Three teacher, who is a very experienced and skilled teacher.

This week you will see that we are sending homework home, in a more standardised way across the school and homework books will go home on Fridays.

Each teacher will set weekly homework tasks that should be done in the homework book and brought in to school every Wednesday.

Weekly homework also includes spellings and times tables activities that will also be stuck in the homework book.

Children should read with a grown up every night- Miss Carlile has written to you to explain this further. Please ask your child what day their reading record is checked.

In addition to weekly tasks, there will be topic based homework projects to be done over a series of weeks.

This is something I know pupils and families will enjoy, as I saw lots of amazing projects on display when I visited the school last summer term.

The work set is an excellent way to develop home learning as well as for families to work together, and parents to become more connected to the school and the fantastic new curriculum we are offering.

I have my first Parents' forum next Friday and I am looking forward to meeting with you then.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Evan Hollows

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 25th September (only 2 spaces left)	After school club Basketball (3:00pm 4:00pm)
Wednesday 26th September	After school club Tag Rugby (3:00pm 4:00pm)
Thursday 27th September	After school club Multi-skills (3:00pm 4:00pm)
Friday 28th September 2018	Parents' forum – 8:50am – 9:30am
Friday 28th September	After school club Mixed Football (3:00pm – 4:00pm)



Thank you all very much for donating 😊

PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING

If you are eligible for Pupil Premium funding, but have not yet registered, please do so as the school receives extra funding that is used carefully to provide a better educational experience for your child.

<https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/financial-support-for-pupils-and-students>



SCHOOL UNIFORM

We believe strongly in the importance school uniform- it is part of our identity and we are rightly proud of it. The children have started the school looking smart and hopefully this will continue throughout the year.

During the course of the year several items of uniform are misplaced. Please ensure all items of uniform have the children's names in.

Our school jumpers and cardigans are distinctive and of very good quality. **No other jumper or cardigan should be worn to school.** Some parents have voiced concern over the cost of these items at the uniform shop. We do accept this as a genuine concern and have taken action.

In order to help families with the purchase of uniform, especially our jumpers and cardigans we will be issuing vouchers to families on application to the school that can be used at Premier Schoolwear to subsidise the cost.

Children eligible for Free School Meals funding will receive an £8 voucher. Pupils who are not eligible for Free School Meals will receive a £4 voucher. We will provide one voucher per pupil per year. These can be claimed at the office at any time throughout the year from Monday 24th September 2018.

NEW CURRICULUM

We have been working extremely hard in the past few weeks to review, develop and improve the curriculum offered to the pupils in the primary school.

This large project is nearly complete and will provide all pupils with a diverse, rich and relevant curriculum. You will receive further information on this next week.

PARENTS' FORUM

Friday 28th September 2018

You are invited to "parents' forum" on Friday 28th September 2018 with Mr Hollows.

This will be a formal event, where you can have input and discuss any topics of your choice.

Parents Forum will take place on the last Friday of each month at 8:50am – 9:30am.

YOUR CHILD'S PE DAY?

- Year 1 - Monday
- Year 2 - Tuesday
- Year 3 - Monday
- Year 4 & 5 - Wednesday

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Last week the children who were seen to have gone 'above and beyond' for Hot Chocolate Friday were joined in Mr Hollows' office by Mr Gillard!

Mr Gillard enjoyed spending time with the children and discussing their opinions of our school.

