

EWHURST CE INFANT SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

Newsletter 1

30th April 2021

The Summer Term is well underway and the enthusiasm from the children is delightful to observe. As there has been no change yet to the way we are keeping children, families and staff safe we are keen to hold class Teams meetings in lieu of face-to-face meetings. The class teachers are keen to share with you the topics for your child's class, how to support your child's learning at home, emotional wellbeing, along with national end-of-year expectations. We are conscious that the invitations are of short notice, but please be assured all families will receive associated information by email following this meeting.

Cherry class sent letters to a number of former pupils last term and, along with articles and word-of-mouth we have currently received memories of pupils spanning almost 100 years, with the oldest former pupil beginning Ewhurst School in 1928!!

The overarching theme is one of happiness and very fond memories from attending Ewhurst School. I am intending to place these letters from former pupils and from our current pupils (and staff) in a time capsule that will be buried in a suitable spot at the end of the term in celebration of the school's 175th anniversary. I am hoping to locate one I buried in the Jubilee Garden with the then Cherry class in 2000 in celebration of the new millennium!



Chloe and Elsa's challenge

Well done and thank you to Chloe and Elsa who raised well over £1,000 through walking, running and cycling 5km every day throughout the Easter holidays.

Fundraising leaflet

In your child's backpack you will receive a leaflet sharing the great need to raise funds for Ewhurst School. The school relies heavily on donations to provide the wonderful range of learning opportunities for your child. The impact of Covid has, as you realise, hit us hard. If you are able to contribute or ask family members please do so, you can use the [link here to go direct to the Justgiving page](#) or [download the leaflet here](#). Every house in the parish is also receiving this leaflet as a community effort to raise funds.



School Council

Due to the restrictions, the school council has not been as active as in past years, so I have decided that the whole of Cherry class will form the school council this term to have the opportunity to be responsible members and role models of the community. We had our first meeting along with being awarded the much coveted School Council badge. I was so impressed by the wealth of ideas: the courageous advocacy shown by Elsa and Chloe to raise funds for their school; to organise an Assembly as children have not been able to get to know every child in the school; to arrange a meeting with Debbie to discuss all important food choices, to create posters detailing how to be a kind and caring friend and follow school rules to keep everyone safe. There are questions for governors in redesigning the playground, so a meeting with governors will also be arranged.

Forest School for Cherry and Holly class

We are delighted that Stephanie has returned to Sayers Croft and we will be utilising her wonderful skills in these weeks before half term. She will be working with Holly and Cherry classes who have missed the whole of the spring term sessions with her. We have risk assessed the offsite trip to Sayers Croft for Cherry class for two sessions and consider it a covid safe activity to undertake in their wonderful Forest School area. Stephanie will be part of the adult child ratio required to support the children walking to and from Sayer's Croft. No parental help is required.

29th April- Year 1 at Ewhurst, 13th May-Year 1 at Ewhurst, 6th May- Year 2 at Sayers Croft, 20th May- Year 2 at Sayers Croft

French Club (for Year 1 and 2) – 9th June – 14th July

We are very pleased to now be able to restart French Club as our after school club on a Wednesday afternoon from 3.00 to 4.00 pm. Please see attached flyer and if you are interested please enrol direct to <https://ClubEnrolment.com/LindaKewley> but if you could also let the school office know you are registering so we have all names to be able to complete our going home lists. Thank you

School Swimming Donation

Thank you to everyone who has already made this donation. Please do so as soon as possible to support the cost of running a pool in which your child will learn important water safety skills, water confidence and basic swimming skills. This letter was circulated last Friday on 23rd April.

Swimming Forms

Please email or hand in all forms and swimming levels to the school office by **Monday 10th May**, as the teachers need to start allocating the children into the correct groups.

Relationships, Health and Sex Education: Microsoft Teams Meeting Friday 14th May at 9.30am

From September 2021 every school is required to incorporate age appropriate relationships, health and sex education as part of our PSHE and/or science curriculum. This already happens in our school but we have recently reviewed our policy and curriculum following the guidance given by the Diocese of Guildford. At this meeting you will have an opportunity to view some of the new material in our curriculum and to ask Mrs Macey or myself any questions.

Breakfast Club

Thank you to everyone who has already returned the form if you wish to use the club, which may restart before September numbers permitting. An email was circulated yesterday (29th April) to all families.

Sun Policy

Please read our [Sun Policy](#). Please ensure that your child has both a sun hat (in their bag) and their bottle of water in school **EACH DAY**. Many thanks.

Yours sincerely

Jane Dyer
Headteacher

Awards 23/4/2021 – Home Learning from Easter

Star of the Week

Apple	Holly	Cherry
Alex	Axel	Leonie

Headteacher's Award

Apple	Holly	Cherry
Aliya	Imogen	Chloe
Henry	Lilian	Seb D
Archie	Olivia	Seb P

30/4/2021 – Writing

Star of the Week

Apple	Holly	Cherry
Noah	Cedric	Alfie

Headteacher's Award

Apple	Holly	Cherry
Evelyn	Chloe	Elsa
Jasper	Orlaith	Isobel
Siena	Thalia	Harvey

Summer Term 2021 – Main Dates

Monday 3 rd May	Bank holiday
Thursday 6 th May	Cherry Class at Sayers Croft
Thursday 13 th May	Holly Class Forest School
Thursday 20 th May	Cherry Class at Sayers Croft
Friday 28 th May	Inset Day (no children in school)
Monday 31 st May	Bank Holiday
31 st May to 4 th June	Half term
Wednesday 9 th Jun	French Club starts
Thursday 10 th June	School swimming starts
Tuesday 22 nd June	Whole School photo
Thursday 24 th June	Full Governors Meeting @ 7.30pm
Tuesday 29 th June	Olympic Opening Ceremony
Tuesday 29 th June	Olympic Football Tournament
Week 5 th to 9 th July	'It's good to be me' week
Monday 5 th July	Whole School Trip to Wisley
Tuesday 13 th July	Olympic Sports morning
Thursday 15 th July	Pet Parade
Weds 21 st July	Leavers Service
	End of Term @
	1.15 pm for Apple Class
	1.20 pm for Cherry Class
	1.30 pm for Holly Class

