



Great Easton Grapevine



Autumn 13 – Wednesday 16th December 2020



Our vision: We are God's children and global citizens. We will be bold enough to use our voices, brave enough to evoke change in the world and strong enough to stand up for what is right. We are valued and are part of a Christian family that grows together in faith, love and kindness.



Please remember there is a new menu when we return in January - our first day back is Tuesday 5th but lunch will be as listed for Monday on that day! Wednesday 6th will be as per the menu!

Payment for school dinners for next term is now available in Events - full term £118.80, half term 1 £63.80, 2 £55.00

★ Star of the Week ★

YR/1 Lacie

Y1/2 Emily

Y3/4 Finley B



YR/1 Sky

Y3/4 Charlotte



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Congratulations to Miss Miles' class for achieving top billing for November with 98.92% (allowing for home-learning attendance whilst isolating)

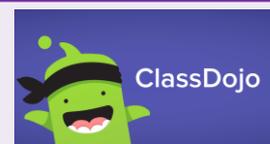
Mr Curtis' class is top for December with 96.15% and has come out top for the whole term with 96.05%



SCHOOL BREATHE
breathwork for a calmer classroom

This week's School Breathe exercise -
Rainbow Breathe -

<https://schoolbreathe.com/breath-animation-exercises/>



ClassDojo

There are a lot of parents using Dojo as a general messenger service, sending messages to classroom staff regarding attendance and other matters that are dealt with in the school office - this means they are taking time out of their day, checking emails/messages & having to bring information to us; Or we are having to visit classrooms (which we aren't supposed to do due to bubbles) to find out things that we should have been told! There is also the risk that a message might not be picked up promptly.

Please use Schnappy or email admin@

MUSICAL
Advent
CALENDAR

Please click on the following link every day throughout December for a musical advent calendar!

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vSJ38uJ9mss9CR7nM_H4c1u1dct6l7_BgrBigsXW8JgKjAa8doCKROiToeqCibAELxo3iuhc9E6Wilb/pub?start=false&loop=true&delayms=3000&slide=id.p1



Test Results/Isolation - Christmas Period

If your child is unfortunate enough to develop symptoms over the holidays you may still need to let us know if they test positive for Covid-19. The last day of term is Thursday 17th December. If your child develops symptoms up to 48 hours after this and then tests positive, this means the other children and staff in the bubble would need to isolate from the last date they were together.

If symptoms develop on Friday 18th, or Saturday 19th December and a positive test is received you would need to let us know so that we can pass this information to those needing to isolate.

Please email admin@greateaston.essex.sch.uk if your child needs to go for a test and then with the results of the test. This is the best way to notify us and will be monitored over the holidays. It is important that we can share this information as some families may have arranged to meet up with vulnerable family members. If symptoms were to develop after the 19th you would follow advice given by Track and Trace and would not need to notify us.

Please ensure you are isolating and keeping your children at home if anyone in your household has symptoms or receives a positive test. If you are isolating as a close contact but do not have symptoms you should still stay at home even if you have a negative test result until the 14 days are over.



If you have a child due to start school in September 2021, the deadline for admissions is 15th January 2021
www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

Parent Visits re Reception 2021

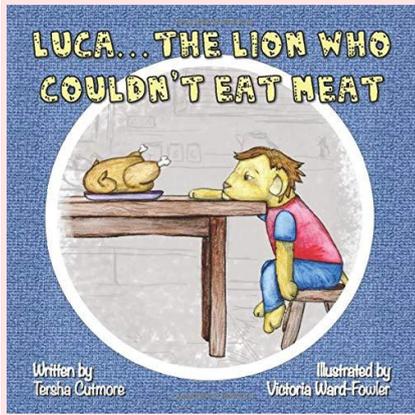
Although we are unable to do our normal tours for prospective parents, we have put together a video and Miss Jackman is happy to meet with parents on the playground to chat about school and answer any questions. If you know of anyone that has a child due to start next September, please encourage them to get in touch with me on the admin email address or call the office.



Please see sheet attached to the Grapevine email, for the next experiment for w/c 4th January 2021!



Mrs Harland has recommenced her piano lessons - one bubble at a time! There are spaces available if any children in Miss Wilson's class are interested, to start in January - please email claire@minorsteps.co.uk for more information and to book



For anyone with children that have food allergies, there is a lovely book, written by a friend of mine - 'Luca... The Lion Who Couldn't Eat Meat'.

Please take a look - available on Amazon.

CHILDRENS ART COMPETITION

What Would You Like To See In Easton Park?

We invite children to create a piece of artwork that depicts one of:

What would you like Easton Park to look like in five years time?

What wildlife can you see now?

How would you use the park for recreation?

What would your dream Easton Park look like?

Entrants categories:

Infants: to 4 years old

- 1st Prize **£20 Toy Box Voucher**
- 2nd Prize **£15 Toy Box Voucher**
- 3rd Prize **£10 Toy Box Voucher**

Junior: 5 to 8 years old

- 1st Prize **£20 Toy Box Voucher**
- 2nd Prize **£15 Toy Box Voucher**
- 3rd Prize **£10 Toy Box Voucher**

Junior+: 9 to 12 old

- 1st Prize **£30**
- 2nd Prize **£20**
- 3rd Prize **£10**

Senior: 13 to 16 old

- 1st Prize **£30**
- 2nd Prize **£20**
- 3rd Prize **£10**

Key Details:

Infants can optionally choose a template to colour-in rather draw their own. Templates will be held at The Toy Box (Dunmow) or can be downloaded from www.stopeastonpark.co.uk/competition

Artwork on either A4 or A3 paper/card (Portrait or Landscape)

Artist name, age and contact details to be written clearly on the back of the artwork



CLOSING DATE: 31ST JANUARY 2021

For full details and rules please go to www.stopeastonpark.co.uk/competition

Photograph & e-mail your entries with contact details to stopeastonpark@gmail.com
OR drop them into The Toy Box, Dunmow



What is your PTA up to?

Great Easton Primary School / Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) / Issue 28 / December 2020

Merry Christmas!

Thank you everyone for contributing to the success of the Christmas shop and for your tea towel and calendar purchases.

We hope that you all have a very happy and safe Christmas. See you all in 2021!

Hoop Dreams!

Our goal of raising £2,300 towards the new school basketball hoops is ongoing.

So far we have raised:

New: **£386.68** - Christmas shop profit

New: **£133** - Jazzy jar profit

£99 - Bags to school

£142 - Halloween dress down

£335.44 - EcoRacing

£191 - Xmas cards

£68 - 2nd hand uniform



£2,300

£1,258.12

£1,725

£1,150

£575



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Find out more and email us:
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Week commencing 4th January



Can you make an egg float?

You will need:

Lots of salt

Measuring jug of water

An egg and a spoon

Try this eggsperiment...

Put an egg in a glass of water.

What happens? Now stir in lots of salt and try again.

What happens now?

Salty water is denser than freshwater. As the water becomes denser than the egg, the egg begins to float

