

Great Easton Grapevine

Autumn 6 – Wednesday 13th October 2021

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.

School Meal Booking

Here is the link for booking your child's meals for the first **TWO WEEKS** after half term!

<https://forms.office.com/r/bZyznawhH8>

EVERY MEAL MUST BE PRE-BOOKED

Deadline for bookings is **Sunday 7th November 10pm** - so you have plenty of time!!

We are still getting some parents that miss the deadline - we order food based on your orders so if you want your child to have a school meal it's important that you order!

COLLECTION TIMES

We have staggered collection times to ease congestion in the car park. 3pm is for Reception & siblings ONLY.

Parents of Yrs 1-6 children with no Reception sibling, please do not arrive before 3:15, as this causes issues in the car park.

Can all parents please leave the car park promptly once you have collected your child.

Thank you

MULTI-SPORT



If you'd like to sign up for Multi-sports after school club after half term, please follow links below - 11th November - 9th December, £21.00 - to book and make payment

KS1 - <https://prestige-sports-uttlesford.class4kids.co.uk/info/22>

KS2 - <https://prestige-sports-uttlesford.class4kids.co.uk/info/23>

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Dates for your Diary

(Any new dates that have been added since last week will be in red).

October

Monday 18th - Donations for Harvest Festival to be brought into school (see overleaf for details)

Tuesday 19th & Thursday 21st - 4:00-7:30pm - Parent Consultations

Thursday 21st - 'Magic Dress Up' Day (PTA)

Friday 22nd - HALF TERM

November

Monday 8th - Individual & Sibling Photos

Thursday 11th - Tuesday 16th - Book Fair

Friday 19th - Dare to be Different Day (PTA)

December

Friday 3rd - Jazzy Jars (PTA)

Sunday 5th - Christmas Fayre (PTA) - Save the date!

Tuesday 7th - 9:30am - Reception & KS1 Christmas Performance for younger siblings

Wednesday 8th - 1:45pm - KS2 Christmas Performance for younger siblings

Wednesday 8th - 7pm - KS2 Christmas Performance for parents (creche for Rec & KS1)

Thursday 9th - 5:45pm - Reception & KS1 Christmas Performance for parents (creche for KS2)

Friday 10th - Elfridges Xmas Shop (PTA)

Thursday 16th - Christmas Dinner & Wear a Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 17th - 10am - Carol Concert in Church

January 2022

Wednesday 19th January - Young Voices Concert at O2 Arena

March 2022

Tuesday 22nd & Thursday 31st - Parent Consultations - NO KIDSCLUB on these days **AMENDED**

April 2022

Friday 1st - 10am - Easter Service in Church

May 2022

Friday 27th - Sports Day

July 2022

Tuesday 5th - 3:30-5:00 - Open Evening

Friday 8th - 9:30am - Leavers' Service

Friday 15th - 9:30am - Leavers' Show

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd - Y6 Isle of Wight Residential

THE FORGOTTEN GARDENS OF
EASTON LODGE

17th October - Open Day

The Gardens turn Orange in October - with pumpkins ripened and trees turning to their autumn colours. There will be lots of fun for visitors. Pumpkins large and small and visitors will also love the tromboncino squashes and the birdcage gourds. Children's activities will include a fun trail, crafts and guess the weight of the pumpkin. In October the Gardens still look lovely and the Trust's archivists will have a special display about Japanese gardening at Easton Lodge. There will be a range of stalls and music provided by a local folk duo. Refreshments available. The Gardens are open from 11 am to 5pm with last entry at 4pm. Entrance fee £5.50 for adults, free for children under 16.

www.eastonlodge.co.uk



For Harvest festival this year, we would like to collect urgently needed supplies for our local food bank. Coronavirus has had a monumental impact on food bank use, with a huge rise in people needing to use a food bank in its network for the first time.

- *The Trussell Trust's new analysis forecasts a 61% increase in food parcels needed across its UK network in October to December - six parcels given out every minute*
- *During the start of the pandemic around half of people who used a food bank had never needed one before*
- *Families with children have been hardest hit*

If you would like to help, please drop off both food and non-food items (urgently need items are listed below) into boxes in each class or the main entrance on **Monday 18th October**.

OUR SHOPPING LIST

- INSTANT RICE/NOODLES - PREFERABLY FLAVOURED
- CHILDREN'S TOILETRIES EXCEPT NAPPIES
- ADULT TOILETRIES (DEODORANT, SHAMPOO, SHOWER GEL, SHAVING FOAM ETC)
- TINNED FRUIT/VEGETABLES
- VEGETARIAN TINS, E.G. MAC CHEESE, VEG CHILLI/CURRY
- SAUSAGE & BEANS/SPAGHETTI BOLOGNESE/RAVIOLI
- RICE PUDDING/CUSTARD/MICROWAVE PUDDINGS/JELLY
- CRACKERS/SAVOURY SNACKS/CRISPS
- KETCHUP/MAYO/GRAVY/STUFFING
- INSTANT MASH/TINNED POTATOES
- BAKED BEANS/SOUP
- LONG-LIFE JUICE/SQUASH
- PEANUT BUTTER

THINGS WE'RE WELL STOCKED WITH (THANKS)

- PASTA
- CEREAL
- TINNED MEAT
- TINNED FISH
- MILK

THE FOODBANK ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF BAGS FOR LIFE SO THESE ARE ALSO GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

Non-food items

Deodorant	Toothpaste
Toilet roll	Soaps and hand wash
Baby wipes	Pet food

What is your PTA up to?

Great Easton Primary School / Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) / Issue 42 / Oct 2021

Dates for your diary...



Magic Dress-up Day

21st October

Bring in £1 and dress up/ accessorise if you wish!



Dare to be different day

Fri 19th Nov

Dress in whatever you like and 'dare to be different' Please bring a bottle for the Christmas Fayre Bottle Tombola.

Jazzy Jars!

Fri 3rd Dec

Bring in your Jazzy Jars for sale for £1 each at school on this Friday rather than being sold at the Christmas Fayre this year. For new parents, more guidance on what a Jazzy Jar is to follow!



Elfridges Xmas shop

Friday 10th Dec

For the children to choose and buy gifts for the family and have them gift wrapped. More details to follow.

Christmas Fayre

5th December

Save the date - More details to come.

Help and donations needed:

- We need any **unwanted gifts** you may have at home! (condition: new). Christmas wrapping paper donations also needed if you can spare a roll to donate - **Deadline 12th November**

- Donations of any unwanted children's or adults **Christmas jumpers** and **Christmas decorations** would be much appreciated for a stall at the fayre. - **Deadline Friday 26th November**

- All donations can be left in the foyer for the PTA to collect.
- If you own a business or know a company that could sponsor the Christmas shop by donating some funds for us to buy gifts, please contact the PTA via FB.

