Great Easton Grapevine

Spring 10 - Wednesday 16th March 2022

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.



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Please click the link below to order your child's school meals for week commencing 28th March 2022 **AND** the first two weeks after Easter – 18th & 25th April!

https://forms.office.com/r/5nBzMTPFzx

Deadline for form is Sunday 20th March at 10:00pm – if not ordered before then, you will need to send in a packed lunch for those **three** weeks.

Please check Schnappy EVENTS if you'd like to pay for your child's meals in full at the beginning of the term – this option is available for the first two weeks of each half term.

£64.40 for first half term; £80.50 for second; £144.90 from Easter to Summer hols.



As outlined previously, I have attached the third email with link to video for you, to the Grapevine email.

Easter Holiday Camp

As emailed previously, Nick will be running a sports camp here in school during the Easter Holiday – please sign up using the link below:

https://prestige-sportsuttlesford.class4kids.co.uk/camp/7

Sibling discount available using code LVD185



'Can You Supersize a Marshmallow?'
Please see experiment attached to the email with this week's Grapevine!



Don't forget to buy your Red Noses! We have plenty!

Linda has kindly agreed to accept cash if it makes it easier – please send your child into the office – or you can still register on Schnappy under Events and pay.

The cost is £1.50 each

www.arenteastantimary.co.uk

TAKEHOME

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In the news this week

Currently, Volodymyr Zelenskyy is thought to be one of the most famous people in the world. Once an actor and comedian, the 44-year-old Ukrainian president is being called a hero, who has bravely refused to bow down to Russia, as his country of Ukraine endures an attack. Before his election in 2019, Ukrainian president, Volodymyr Zelenskyy, acted as a president on the TV programme 'Servants of the People'.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Can you think of a time when you were brave, or you witnessed someone else being brave? What happened?
- Can you think of someone who is your hero? Can you describe them?
- What qualities do you think make a good leader?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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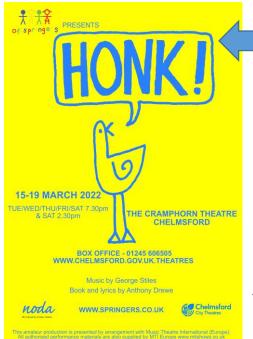
Thaxted Flower Club

Saturday 26th March 2022

Show mum you love her!

Flower arrangements for sale outside

Parrishes in Thaxted from 8am



Show is going really well – so sad that I've not been able to be there due to Covid

Tickets still available if you fancy it!





We currently have music lessons run by Essex Music Services for the following: Singing ~ Guitar ~ Drums ~ Flute ~ Saxophone ~ Clarinet ~ Recorder ~ Ukulele

If your child would be interested in starting lessons next term, please sign up on the website:

https://www.essexmusichub.org.uk/site/

<u>Deadline for new sign-ups is this Friday</u> 18th March 2022

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Disco tickets are now available on Schnappy!
Please register under Events and pay for your child's ticket - make sure to sign up each child at the same time as sometimes it won't let you go back in and add another!

Wednesday 30th March

R/KS1 3:15 - 4:45

KS2 5:00 - 6:00

Tickets are £3.50 each to include squash, popcorn and a fun tattoo!

Dates for your Diary

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

March 2022

Friday 18th - Red Nose Day (register on Schnappy to purchase a nose)

Tuesday 22nd & Thursday 31st - Parent Consultations - NO KIDSCLUB on these days Saturday 26th - Mothers' Day pop up café (PTA)

Wednesday 30th - PTA Discos - KS1 3:15-4:45; KS2 5:00-6:30. (Change to times)

April 2022

Friday 1st - 10am - Easter Service in Church

EASTER HOLIDAY - 4th - 18th April

Tuesday 19th - Miss Miles' class trip to Stansted Aerozone (rescheduled from 4/2)

May 2022

Wednesday 4th - Young Voices Concert at 02 Arena

Friday 27th - Sports Day

MAY HALF TERM - 30TH May - 3rd June

July 2022

Saturday 2nd - Rainbow Run fun day (PTA)

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

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What is your PTA up to?

Great Easton Primary School / Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) / Issue 53 / March 2022



Thank you to everyone that supported the second hand toy sale - £135.15 was raised.



Discos Weds 30th March

£3.50 per ticket - to be paid via Schnappy events - look out for the email regarding this with full details.

KS1 - 3.15-4.45pm KS2 - 5-6.30pm



Rainbow Run fun day 2nd July

Full details TBC



Vote for us now!

Don't forget to vote for our new Wellbeing Garden in Tesco when you're doing your shopping!



Find out more and email us: pta@greateaston.essex.sch.uk

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Great Easton Primary School

Wellbeing Garden

Vote for our new Wellbeing Garden

We want to use the money - which could be up to £1,500 - to transform the existing underused pond area into a Wellbeing Garden to promote the mental health of children and staff in our school, a place that's buzzing with life but also invites relaxation and reflection.

We've got lots of exciting ideas for our Wellbeing Garden, including a nature trail through a willow arch, introducing bug hotels and nesting boxes, building raised planters and creating calm areas for quiet contemplation.

You'll be able to vote for our Wellbeing Garden at Tesco Superstore in Great Dunmow and Tesco Express in Prior's Green, Takeley, from January until 31st March 2022 using tokens from the checkout.





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Can you supersize a marshmallow?



You will need:
a marshmallow and a microwave

Step-by-step guide to super-sizing a marshmallow:

- 1. Put a large marshmallow on a plate and ask a grown-up to microwave it for 30-60 seconds.
- 2. You'll see that it grows...and grows... and then goes black inside. Marshmallows are foamy because they've got loads of tiny air pockets in them. The microwaves heat up the water vapour inside them, making the molecules bounce around more and more, pushing the air pockets outwards. But, eventually, the sugar starts to burn (so they'll taste better after just 30 seconds!). They're super hot when they come out, so be careful!



Email 3 – Online Gaming

Welcome to the third video of the series.

At just over 8 minutes in length I discuss the topic of online gaming and emphasise that whilst to some, gaming just means playing games, but to children it is quite different and there are 2 main reasons for this:

- The majority of children play games for socialisation their friendship groups.
- A small number of children play games to escape something that is, or has, gone wrong in their lives. In other words, they use games as a coping mechanism.

Click on the link or copy/paste the link into your browser. You will also find some links below the video link that you may find useful.

https://vimeo.com/487627625/3c5538740c

Useful Links:

Gaming Hub - Lots of useful information here: gaming age guides, what you need to know, choosing the best games, setting limits and more:

https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/online-gaming-advice/

Common Sense Media - If your child is asking you about a game and you're not sure, it's worth having a look on the Common Sense Media website where you can find advice and opinion about thousands of games.

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/game-reviews

Taming Gaming - this is a brilliant resource for parents, with lots of useful information. The site is owned by a father who is a big gaming enthusiast.

https://www.taminggaming.com/features/Curated+Lists+of+Amazing+Video+Games+that+Parents+Love