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Great Easton Grapevine

Summer 8 - Wednesday 15th June 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.



Please click the link below to order your child's school meals for week commencing 27th June https://forms.office.com/r/FNdpaDtBTm

Deadline for form is Sunday 19th June at 10:00pm – if not ordered before then, you will need to send in a packed lunch for that week.



'Can You Make Dirty Water Clean Again?'

Please see experiment attached to the email with this week's Grapevine!



Miss Jackman, Miss Miles, Mrs Mayle and Mrs Lawrence all attended the Essex Teaching Awards event last night – 'Recognising and celebrating the inspirational work of early years and childcare practitioners, teachers and school staff within Fssex'.

We are incredibly proud to announce that we won the Team of the Year' award.

"GEPS - This school is truly remarkable - an exemplar of outstanding provision"

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TAKEHOME

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Does sport have a part to play in making the world a fairer place?



In the news this week

FIFA (International Federation of Association Football) has announced three female referees will officiate at the men's World Cup tournament for the first time ever later this year in Qatar.

Stephanie Frappart of France, Rwanda's Salima Mukansanga and Yoshimi Yamashita from Japan have been selected as part of FIFA's official list of 36 referees for the tournament, which starts on 21st November.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Have you ever played or watched a football game? How important do you think the role of the referee is?
- What skills do you think a good referee needs to have?
- Were you surprised to hear that this is the first men's World Cup to have female referees?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Dates for your Diary

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

June 2022

Thursday 16th - 9:15 - 11:45 - Forest Schools - Class Boddington

Thursday 23rd - 9:15 - 11:45 - Forest Schools - Class Miles

July 2022

Friday 1st - Crazy Hair Day (PTA)

Saturday 2nd - Rainbow Run fun day (PTA)

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

Thursday 7th - 9:15 - 11:45 - Forest Schools - Class Wilson (Plus Yr6 as buddies)

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

Thursday 14th - 9:15 - 11:45 - Forest Schools - Class Govey

Friday 15th - Year 6 'Slip & Slide'

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

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

SUMMER HOLIDAYS - 25th July - 31st August

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What is your PTA up to?

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Volunteers needed / Volunteers needed / Volunteers needed

(contact us via our facebook page or email pta@greateaston.essex.sch.uk)



Buy tickets now! / Buy tickets now! / Buy tickets now!

Please email: pta@greateaston.essex.sch.uk with how many tickets you would like - payment instructions will follow in response to your email. First come first served!

Colour Run 2nd July / 3-6pm

Colour run obstacle course £5pp (spectators are free).

Azure Woodfired Pizza providing hot food! Alcoholic/non-alcoholic drinks, cake stall, tombolas, games and of course the Colour Run obstacle course!

Crazy hair day 1st July

Please bring in a bottle for the bottle tombola.



Eco balloon race Results

1st - 'Mine is coolest' winning £50

2nd - 'Nicks winner' winning 2 colour run entries & a pizza

3rd - 'The Nest is best' winning 1 entry to the colour run





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

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Today you will need to make a mucky potion to start. You can use mud, sand or anything else you can find! When you have your dirty water, you need to try and get your water clean again.

What household objects can you use to help filter your water?

How clean can you make your water?

GEPS Colour Run FAQ

What's a colour run?!

It's a fun run around an obstacle course, during which coloured powder is thrown at you, so that by the end you are gloriously colourful from head to toe! It is inspired by the Hindu festival of Holi, a joyful festival that celebrates spring, love and new life.

When is it?

Saturday 2 July, 3-6pm. The run itself will take place from 3.30 to 4.30pm.

Do I need to pre-book?

It isn't essential to pre-book, but we do recommend it as spaces are limited. Email pta@greateaston.essex.sch.uk to book your place.

Where is it?

GEPS school fields.

Where should I park?

In the field behind Great Easton Village Hall.

Who can take part?

All current GEPS pupils, plus older and younger siblings. (Younger siblings will need to be accompanied round the course by an adult/older child who is also prepared to get colourful!)

If there is powder left after all children have taken part, we will do a final run for the grown-ups.

What should participants wear?

The powder will show up best on white, but any light coloured t-shirt/top will be fine. The powder is completely safe and will wash out of clothes - but results may vary depending on detergent, temperature, etc., so we recommend wearing stuff you don't mind getting a little colourful. That includes your footwear – a pair of old trainers will be best. Feel free to accessorise with bright colours, tutus, headbands, etc.

The powder is 100% non-toxic (see below), but as with any substance you will want to keep it out of your eyes, so you will need to wear eye protection. We recommend bringing swimming goggles, but we will have sunglasses available to borrow if preferred.

If your child has particularly light-coloured hair, or dyed hair, we recommend they wear a swimming hat to avoid any risk of the colour staining their hair.

How do we get clean afterwards?

A good dusting-off should get your children clean enough for the journey home, but you may want to bring baby wipes for an extra wipe down, and depending on how clean you like to keep your car you may want to bring some towels to protect the upholstery.

When you get home, a bath or shower will wash off any remaining powder. It may take a few shampoos to get all the powder out of hair. Shake as much powder as possible from clothes before putting them in the washing machine on a cold cycle first, and then a regular wash cycle. Dependent on fabric, it may take a few washes to get things completely free of colour – we reiterate that you should not wear your favourite expensive items to this event! If you do get powder on car upholstery, etc, use a vacuum to remove as much powder as possible before spot-cleaning as needed.

GEPS and the PTA cannot be held responsible for any damage from powder getting on participants' vehicles, public transport or private property.

What else should we bring?

We suggest you bring a warm change of clothes to put on afterwards. The children may be a little damp from the sprinklers/firefighters' hoses (see below).

Is it a race?

No! Participants can run, walk, skip, dance, or even cartwheel their way around the course so long as they are mindful of other participants. If they finish the course and want to go round again they can do so, until the time limit for their wave elapses, or the powder runs out!

What happens on the day?

Please come to the registration desk from 3pm. A parent/guardian will need to sign a waiver for each participant. You will then be given a wristband and told which "wave" you will be running in. Just before your run begins there will be a safety briefing, you will be issued with sunglasses if required, and Mr Bush will lead participants in a warm-up to get your muscles ready. At the start of the course there will be sprinklers which participants can run through to dampen their clothes to help the powder stick (this is optional).

Will it hurt? What is the powder made from?

No! It's just powder made from cornstarch and food-grade dye. See our supplier's website for more information: www.ministryofcolours.co.uk/pages/about-us. It is non-toxic, biodegradable and complies with food standard guidelines. We advise you don't eat it though as it doesn't taste very nice! If you have a skin allergy or respiratory condition such as asthma, we recommend you consult your doctor before taking part, and make sure to have appropriate medication close to hand.

What if my child gets powder in their eyes or mouth?

As with any substance, the powder could cause discomfort if it gets in eyes, which is why we require eye protection to be worn. If, however, powder does get into eyes, rinse it out with water. Sinks will be available in the school lavatories. If you need assistance, please ask at the registration desk for a first-aider – they will be happy to help. If powder gets in a child's mouth, swill water and spit.

What if it's raining that day?

We'll go ahead unless the weather's so bad that safety is a concern.

Can we take photos?

Yes – but as always please do not post photos on social media that contain any children other than your own.

What other entertainment will there be on the day?

There will be rounders and other games on the top field, and a tombola. We also hope to have a fire engine in attendance.

What about refreshments?

Azure Woodfired Pizza will be selling pizzas. There will also be a cake stall and a bar selling alcohol, soft drinks, teas and coffees.

Do you take card payments?

We are able to take card payments, but poor mobile reception on sites means it can be hit-and-miss so cash is easier!

What are we raising money for?

All proceeds will go to Great Easton Primary School. As Covid has made fundraising difficult over the last few years, funds are low, so our immediate priority is to ensure we can continue to cover the cost of those items traditionally paid for by the PTA. These include subsidising school trips, replenishing outdoor equipment, the Reading Eggs subscription, and food for the chickens.

Got a question we haven't covered? Please email or phone the school or post on the PTA Facebook page.