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1 March 2024

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY CREATIVITY KINDNESS ASPIRATION EQUALITY

### Diary Dates

- 8 March 2024 - World Book Day
- 8 March 2024 - Aspens World Book Day Themed Menu.
- W/C 11 March 2024 - British Science Week
- 12 March 2024 - Year 3 visit to Derby Museum.
- 15 March 2024 - Comic Relief
- 20 March 2024- Happiness Day
- 20 March 2024- Easter Disco
- 21 March 2024 - Reading Celebration
- 25 March 2024 - Earth Day
- 27 March 2024 - Easter Tuck Shop
- 28 March 2024 - Term Ends
- 15 April 2024 - Term Starts

Dear all

A warm welcome back to school after the half term break. It has been a lovely week in school as we have been able to share your children’s learning and development with you at this week’s Parents/Carers evenings. Thank you for attending, it means the world to us and your children. I heard many positives from the class teachers about how supportive you all are, which really is the key to your children’s journey through the school. Thank you for the parent survey responses and comments, we will let you know more about those once collated.

#### **National Governors Awareness Day**

Thank you so much to our governors, who give freely their time to support and challenge the school to be the best it can.

### **World Book Day**

On Friday 8 March 2024 we will be celebrating World Book Day.

This year our World Book Day Theme will be conjoined with our concept of Perseverance.

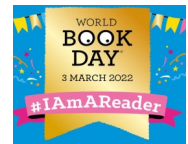
Throughout the day all classes will be doing activities and learning all about perseverance and people who have persevered in their lives to get to where they are now or to achieve what they have wanted to achieve.

Children will be able to come to school dressed as someone famous or who they know who has shown perseverance.

We ask that a donation of £1 cash is made or a book donation to the library using our Amazon wish list.

To access our wish list please use the following link on google/safari :- <https://amzn.eu/5effdYX>. This will take you to our Amazon wish list where you can pick which book you would like to send. Once the book is in your basket, please send the item to the **GIFT REGISTRY ADDRESS**, this will then be sent directly to school.

The wish list will be updated and stay active, so please feel free to send books at any time to help expand our library.



### **SAFEGUARDING “Everybody’s Business”**

It is everyone’s responsibility to do something if there are concerns that a child is suffering from or is at risk of significant harm.

The [safeguarding@ashbrook-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@ashbrook-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk) is monitored throughout the day. If you have any concerns that a child is a risk of serious harm then contact **Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190** or visit <http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/startingpoint>



### Attendance Award

Congratulations to **LEWIS** class who have achieved the highest attendance for the week ending 1 March 2024.



### Living Our School Values

Week ending: 1 March 2024.

Well done to : Savannah R, Mia P, Mason F, Grace A, Oliver P, Elyzza-Rose H, Elizabeth S, Max E-M, Callen C, Gabriella H, Harry A, Eddy N, Kal J and Blaire F.



### Car parking and site safety

If in extreme circumstances you need to drive onto the school site, please be mindful of children and staff.

If the staff and children for Tigers are walking up or down the driveway PLEASE WAIT until all staff and children have reached the infant school.

You should only be parking on the school site in an emergency, if you have a blue badge or have cleared it with the staff in the office.

Please can we ask you to be mindful of where you park on the road outside school.

### Sickness/Absence

If your child is not going to be in due to sickness, please ring the school office on 01332 673785. Please **DO NOT** contact the class teacher as they may not have time to check their dojo messages before the start of class in the morning and the message may not reach the school office.

The answer machine in the school office will pick up any calls, if a member of staff is unable to, so please leave a message.

### School Disco

Our school disco will take place on Wednesday 20 March 2024. Tickets are £2 each, to purchase a ticket please send the money in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name and class to the school office. A ticket will then be issued. If tickets are lost, another will not be issued, however a record of who has purchased a ticket will be noted.

During the disco there will be an opportunity for children to buy refreshments from the school tuck shop.

#### Year 3 and 4 from 3:30pm– 4:30pm

- Please send children to school with their disco clothes and tuck shop money in a bag for them to get changed into at school.
- Children to be collected by an adult from their classroom fire door at 4:30pm.

#### Year 5 and 6 from 4:45pm - 5:45pm

- Children to arrive at the school hall doors at 4:45pm
- Children **MUST** be collected by an adult at 5:45pm, children will NOT be allowed to walk home on their own.

If your child attends the after school club of Lacrosse, this will still take place in the small hall and will finish at 4:40pm and children will need to be collected from the main entrance by an adult.



### **Parents and Friends Association (PFA)**

Thank you to the PFA, who secured a huge amount of money for school, which we are due to spend on class iPads, we are so grateful.

The PFA came to the LOSV assembly this morning to talk about what they do to support school and would love for you to join them, please enquire through the school office or directly to the members.

The PFA are meeting at 1pm on Tuesday 5 March 2024 and everyone is welcome.

### **Visitor Feedback**

This week we have had visitor's in from Aspens, our catering company.

They would like to take this opportunity to thank all children for their politeness, respect and for showing such kindness.

### **SMILE4LIFE**

SMILE4LIFE is a programme of initiatives led by NHS England to improve dental access and oral health across England. As part of this initiative every child in our school has been provided with a pack containing a free toothbrush and toothpaste by NHS England. This pack also contains child friendly information about oral hygiene and details on how to access and NHS Dentist.

Packs will be sent home via children in the next few days.

If you would like additional packs for other family members, please let us know as we have a few spare ones available.



Smile4Life - NHS England

### **West Park Taster Day**

This week, Year 5 had a taster day at West Park. We have had some good feedback from children who had a great time during their day there.

We have also received some wonderful feedback from West Park staff stating that the children who took part in the visit, were extremely polite, kind and showed great respect.

Well done Year 5!





### Attendance Update - Week commencing 26 February 2024

Following our return to school after the half term break we would like to share how our school is performing with regards to attendance for the year to date.

Our overall school attendance for the year to date stands at **95.2%**. This is slightly below the national standard and our own target of 96%.

When compared nationally, our school currently sits in the top 40% of schools for school attendance. As you can see from the table below we are not too far behind becoming one of the top 10-20% of schools nationally for attendance. Even more ambitiously we believe the target to become one of the top 10% school achievable for our school if we continue to work together.

| Decile description ① | Number of schools ① | Lowest in decile ① | Highest in decile ① |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Top 0-10%            | 1,522               | 96.2%              | 100.0%              |
| Top 10-20%           | 1,522               | 95.7%              | 96.1%               |
| Top 20-30%           | 1,522               | 95.4%              | 95.7%               |
| Top 30-40%           | 1,522               | 95.0%              | 95.4%               |

**Your overall attendance: 95.2%**      **You are in decile 4, the top 30-40% of schools**

If you would like to talk to us about your child’s attendance, please do not hesitate to contact our school Attendance & Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Thompson.

Also, please drop us a line if there is any information you would like for us to share with you in our newsletters regarding our school’s attendance.

# LUNCHTIME

Spring/Summer  
2024:  
4/3, 25/3, 15/4,  
6/5, 27/5, 17/6,  
8/7, 29/7

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



Bangers, Mash & Beans

Cheese & Tomato  
Pitta Pizza with  
Wholemeal Rice  
Salad

Roast Pork,  
Roast Potatoes  
& Gravy

Creamy Chicken &  
Sweetcorn Pie with  
New Potatoes

Golden Fish  
Fingers  
& Chips



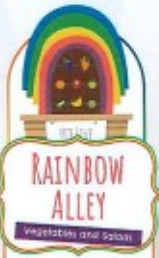
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Mash  
& Beans

Cheesy BBQ Pizza  
Pinwheel Swirl with  
Wholemeal Rice  
Salad

Root Vegetable  
Bean Stew &  
Roast Potatoes

Cheese & Potato  
Pie with  
New Potatoes

Veggie Finger  
&  
Chips



Baked  
Beans

Carrot  
Sticks

Steamed  
Mixed  
Greens

Summer  
Vegetables

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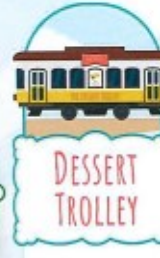
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Vanilla  
Shortbread

Cinnamon  
Apple  
Cupcake

Strawberry  
Jelly

Jammy  
Crumble  
Bar

Sweet  
Potato  
Brownie



T3

## PEACEFUL PLAY

Every Saturday  
4PM - 5PM



PEACEFUL PLAY SESSIONS ARE A  
CHANCE FOR SEND CHILDREN AND  
THEIR FAMILIES TO COME AND  
ENJOY OUR FACILITIES



**CHILDREN WITH SEND NEEDS  
ONLY**

SIGN UP ON OUR WEBSITE

[WWW.EVGC.CO.UK](http://WWW.EVGC.CO.UK)

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**EREWASH VALLEY  
GYMNASTICS CLUB**

## Recreational Gymnastics

**Long Eaton**

Grange Primary School:  
Mondays, Tuesdays and  
Fridays

West Park: Saturdays



**Ilkeston**

Monday-Friday Evenings

Saturday - All Day

Sunday - Morning



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**SEND SESSION**

**EVERY FRIDAY**

**6:30-7PM**

**COACH CENTERED SESSION**

**ANY ENQUIRES PLEASE EMAIL:  
EMILY.CRAGG@EVGC.CO.UK**

**TO JOIN THIS CLASS GO TO OUR WEBSITE WWW.EVGC.CO.UK**



# EASTER SPORTS CAMP 2024

**How many eggs can you find?**

**FOOTBALL & TENNIS**

**CRICKET & HOCKEY**

**DODGEBALL & ARTS & CRAFTS**

**SPORTS FUN & GAMES**

**Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School**  
Victoria Avenue, Borrowash, Derby, DE72 3HF

**8<sup>th</sup> April - 12<sup>th</sup> April**

**9AM-3PM**

*4 year olds can only attend for 4 hours maximum*

**8:15AM Early Drop Off - £3**

**3:30PM Late Pick Up - £3**

**£18 PER DAY**

**£75 FOR FULL WEEK**

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