



# Eagles and Ospreys News

Summer Term 6 2019

**Etwall Primary School**

Welcome back! We hope you have had a lovely break and are rested and ready for the very busy term ahead.

## Maths and English

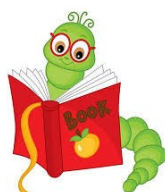
### Remember:

- \* PE kits need to be in school every day.
- \* Reading journals will be checked every Friday (Eagles) and Monday (Ospreys).
- \* Spelling test is every Friday. Please support your child in learning their spellings.
- \* Children will have writing targets glued into their reading journals. Times tables are also expected to be practised every week. Thank you for supporting your child with this.



### English

In English this term, we will be doing lots of grammar and spelling lessons to consolidate our knowledge of the Y5/6 objectives, and we will also be studying and writing stories with flashbacks. In our guided reading lessons, we will be working on our inference and deduction skills. We will work on our use of a



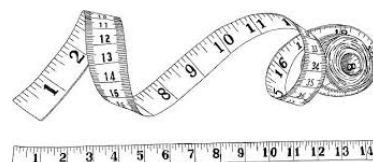
cursive script in hand-writing practice and we will continue to read our class reading book.

### Maths

In maths, we will be learning about imperial measurement, number and shape. We will also be developing our reasoning skills through application of our skills to focus questions.

We will also continue to practise our multiplication facts in school. The

quicker the children can recall these facts, the easier they will find the whole maths curriculum. Please encourage your child to practise these at home. Thank you.



## Other subjects

Our geography topic this term is 'Why is Derby such a cool place to live?' Our science topic is 'How different will you be when you are as old as your grandparents?' For this topic, we will be describing the changes as humans develop into old age. In RE, our topic is 'How

can we make our village a more respectful place to live in?' In Citizenship, our theme is 'Bullying Matters'. In PE, we will be improving our cardio-agility and ball chasing skills. In German, we will be learning how to talk

about our local area and our computing topic will be programming, coding and controlling devices. Our art topic will be watercolour landscapes of Etwall and our music topic is 'Reflect, rewind and replay'. We will also be learning the songs for the Y56 production.



## Online Safety

Please remember to talk to your child regularly about online safety as it continues to remain prevalent in the news.

Fact:

Children aged from three to four years old spend 6.5 hours per week on the internet. Five to seven year olds spend 9.2 hours a week there, eight to eleven year olds spend seventeen hours per week on the internet. The more

time spent using the internet, the more chance there is that they will encounter a predator that is looking to exploit them.

(see

<http://nobullying.com/internet-safety-statistics/>)

Useful Link:

<http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>



## Sun Safe!

Over the summer months, children will be reminded to be 'sun safe aware' by following the 5 S's rule!

**SLIP, SLOP, SLAP, SLIDE, SHADE!**

This means: SLIP on a t-shirt, SLOP on some sun-cream, SLAP on a hat, SLIDE on some sunglasses and find some SHADE! We ask that all children have a sun hat in school every day to protect against harmful UV rays, in line with our uniform policy.



## Learning Together

This term, we will be holding our final learning together showcase as follows. We would like to warmly welcome you to join us for it.

Thank you for your continued support.

Tuesday 25th June: KS2 outdoor learning showcase, 3:00-3:30 (join your child as they take part in an observation trail in the school grounds)



## Year 5/6 end of year production

By now your child should have told you the part they are playing in the end of year performance, and the costume that they will need. Please could costumes be sent in to school on Friday 5th July.

Scripts have been sent home with the children, along with song words for them to practise.

Our performances are on Thursday 11th July at 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm. Letters will be sent home for you to request tickets in the next couple of weeks. Thank you for your ongoing support as your child learns their lines. We hope you are looking forward to the performance as much as we are!



## KS2 fundraising event

This term, we will be holding a fundraising event for Air Ambulance, this year's school charity. To help us to raise money for this worthy cause, KS2 are going to take part in a Danceathon on Monday 1st July, with a reserve date of Thursday 4th July.

During this event, children will have the opportunity to take part in as many dance routines as possible in 60 minutes. They will be bringing home a sponsorship form, and any sponsorship they gain from family or friends will be greatly appreciated.

A letter about this event will be sent out in due course.

We thank you for your support.



## Etwall's Got Talent

Can your child sing/dance/act/do magic/play a musical instrument? If the answer is yes and your child would like to showcase his/her talent at the PTFA Summer Fare, please look out for further information on Etwall's Got Talent in the forthcoming weeks.



## Transition to John Port/class swap days

This term we will be doing plenty of work to get the children ready for next year, whether they are moving into Year 6 or Year 7.

Both year groups will be involved in two class swap days, where they will go to their new classes and class-teacher/s. These will happen on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd July.

Year 5s will obviously come into school as normal and go to their new classrooms. You will receive further information about this nearer the time.

Year 6s will go to John Port on these days, and spend the days with their new form, and will experience some of the

lessons they will take part in next year.

These are two really valuable days, and the children always come back from them full of excitement and enthusiasm for the year ahead! As we find out more information we will pass this on to the children. Class lists normally come out the day before the children go to the class swap days, along with the name of their teacher/form tutor, and for the Year 7s, a map and plan of the day, and the language they will be studying next year.

There will also be other opportunities for the Year 6 children to go across to the school to take part in science lessons, led by sixth form students. We will let you know about these by text, as we find out about them.

## RSE

As part of our PSHCE curriculum, we will be looking at Relationships and Sex Education (RSE). The children will be taught as separate year groups (Y5 and Y6), and separated into boys and girls, when covering this topic.

There will be a parents' meeting on Wednesday 10th June, which will provide you with more details about this, and you should have received a letter about this before half term.



## Recommended Reads

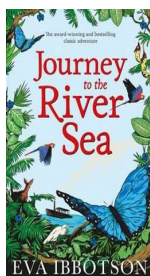
### Journey to the River Sea

By Eva Ibbotson

This satisfyingly old-fashioned story is set in the early 1900s. Orphan Maia is thrilled to learn she is to live with relatives in South America. She cannot wait to experience the sights, sounds and smells of the Amazon and is particularly looking forward to meeting her twin cousins.

When Maia arrives, however, the family is far from welcoming and she is saddened to see that they have blocked out all evidence of the rainforest from their stuffy home.

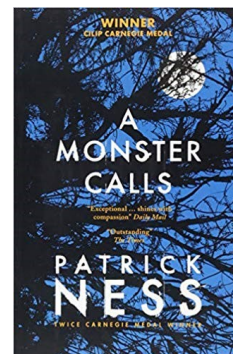
Maia turns to her strict yet kindly governess, Miss Minton, for company, and strikes up some unusual and rewarding friendships.



### Time Travelling with a Hamster

By Ross Welford

A moving and memorable story about time travel. When Al reads a letter, it sets off a chain of events in which he races to travel back to 1984 to try and save his late father. A must-see read for 10-11 year olds.



## Key dates for your diary

3rd June—Back to school

6th June—PTFA discos— 3:45 KS1; 5:00 KS2

10th June—3:45—4:45 Year 5 parents' RSE meeting and 4:45—5:15 Year 6 parents' RSE meeting

11th June—New starters parents' evening (for new reception children)

14th June—Sports morning

18th June—Reserve sports morning

21st June—INSET day—no children in school!

25th June—KS2 outdoor learning together event 3:00pm

26th June—Imageneering trip to Jaguar Land Rover

1st July— KS2 sponsored danceathon for Air Ambulance

2nd & 3rd July—Class swap days

4th July—Reserve KS2 sponsored danceathon for Air Ambulance

5th July—5-7pm PTFA Summer Fare

10th July—Y5/6 production dress rehearsal (to the rest of the school)

11th July—2:00pm and 6:00pm Y5/6 performance—Aladdin Trouble!

14th July—PTFA Music Festival

15th July —Open evening 3:45-5:00

19th July—End of term

