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# EASTWOOD NEWS

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## Building Brighter Futures Together...

### POETRY

We will be taking part in National Poetry Day on 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Maybe you could get involved by reading or listening to poems at home or maybe even writing a poem as part of your child's learning at home.....?

### RESIDENTIALS

As part of our commitment to outdoor learning and offering our pupils the very best opportunities, we are pleased to announce that this year we will be hosting 3 residential experiences: Kingswood for year 5&6 in October, Ambleside for year 3&4 in March/April and Nell Bank, Ilkley for year 2 in February. These are super experiences and we hope lots and lots of pupils are supported by you to attend.

### SAFETY LESSONS

Pupils in years 3-6 will be taking part in a series of safety themed lessons this term, including how to stay safe online and bullying awareness. We will also be hosting a parent's forum about online safety which we would encourage all parents to attend on 16<sup>th</sup> October in the Family Centre. More details to follow.

### ALDI VOUCHERS

We are collecting ALDI vouchers! Thankyou in advance for sending these to the school office.

As promised in the last newsletter, the playground access gates have now been widened. We hope that this is helping everyone with arriving and leaving school more easily. Work will start shortly to widen the access gate to the Reception playground as well.

Please find below our revised Eastwood C's - our commitment to everyone who is part of our school family. We thank you in advance for supporting us in this mission.

**We nurture healthy, happy lifelong learners through:  
Championing children in everything we do.**

**Consistency** - a united approach to always being the best we can be and providing the best quality opportunities for learning.

**Challenge** - every child and member of our learning community strives to be their very best, to make great progress through our inclusive, thematic curriculum forging connections throughout so they achieve and thrive as lifelong learners.

**Communication** - We are a positive, respectful, outward looking learning community who listen to and value everyone's contributions.

**Clarity** - we share and celebrate the unique contribution we all make to our school and community as we strive to achieve our core purpose.

**Cultivating** children's character and career aspirations.

**Care** - We support, nurture and challenge each other so everyone achieves all they can and more!

And below is our overview School Development Plan, the 'red, blue, green thing' also as promised in the last newsletter, for your information. Copies are available from the office on request.

Mrs Carter, Headteacher.

### JEANS FOR GENES

Thank you for your support of this great charity. We raised £177 which is a good start to our charity donations for this year.

### WEBSITE

Our new website has now been produced and is live although it takes a bit of finding at the moment as, to appear high on the Google search pages, it needs more 'hits'. Our technical team are working on this but, in the meantime, it can be found at [www.eastwoodcommunityschool.co.uk](http://www.eastwoodcommunityschool.co.uk). We will be working hard in the coming months to make sure it has all the necessary information.

### UNIFORM

PLEASE ensure ALL uniform has a name in it. We already have a full lost property box in the Family Centre and would like to be able to return all items to their owners!

### ONLINE SAFETY

Our next Parent's Forum will be on 16<sup>th</sup> October 9am-9:30am in the Family Centre. The focus will be keeping your children safe online. We hope to see many of you there.

### McMILLAN COFFEE

Takes place on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October. Cakes will be on sale at break for pupils and staff. There will be a coffee afternoon in the Family Centre (all welcome) from 2pm and a sale after school. All money raised goes to this cancer charity.

**Eastwood Community School**  
School Development Plan 2019-20

<b>Communication</b> R, W, Ph @ / + NA Wr across curric Oracy teaching & assessment Whole class Guided Reading Text rich curric Phonics to spelling Range of texts Team leaders =	<b>Curriculum</b> Challenging for ALL Engaging, thematic curriculum based on connections Consistency Discreet subjects, coverage docs Cross-curricular maths & ICT Theme weeks, 1 per priority Moderation (internal/external) Visits, visitors & experiences Balance of skills & knowledge Team leaders =	<b>Care</b> New PHSE curriculum Residential experiences Pastoral support – ACES Community engagement Skills passports – all year groups Revised behaviour policy Inclusive practice Physical activity – tackle obesity % Words of the week Wellbeing – pupils and staff Team leaders =		
<b>Junior Leaders</b> Playground development Playground buddies Ambassadors for school events Team leader =	<b>Culture Council</b> Encourage and promote inclusion Cultural inclusion events School environment – inclusive, diverse, stimulating and welcoming Team leader =	<b>Sport &amp; Health Leaders</b> Encourage daily physical activity Silver / Gold sportsmark Sport leaders Team leader =	<b>Eco Council</b> Reduce carbon footprint Recycling all materials Milk cartons (non-plastic) Community recycling – encourage Litter picking / care of school grounds Team leader =	<b>Safety Squad</b> E-safety awareness H&S inspections with inspectors Encourage safety – posters Team leader =