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EASTWOOD NEWS

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One term down, 5 to go....!

ALDI VOUCHERS

Thank you for sending in your vouchers. We completed a poster which means we are in with a chance of winning the equipment which is great.

RESIDENTIALS

As part of our commitment to outdoor learning and offering our pupils the very best opportunities, we were pleased to announce last month that we are hosting 3 residential experiences. Our year 6 pupils had an amazing time on their 3 day residential to Kingswood near Sheffield in October. Our next residential is for year 2 children in late February. They will stay for 1 night at Nell Bank in Ilkley. Shortly after, in March / April, year 3 & 4 will visit Ambleside in the Lake District for 2 nights.

SAFETY LESSONS

Pupils in years 3-6 are taking part in a series of safety themed lessons again this term, including how to stay safe online and bullying awareness. Our thanks go to the West Yorkshire Cyber Policing team for supporting us with these sessions, including our well attended parent's forum on the 16th Oct. Pedestrian training takes place on 26th November for year 3 and again on the 2nd December. Online safety sessions take place for year 5 & 6 in early November.

We hope you all had a positive half term break and that your children are refreshed and ready for the new term ahead. As always, we have a jam-packed term of adventures and new learning ahead of us and we hope this newsletter will give you just a sample of what we will be getting up to. For other information, please see our Twitter page and new school website, both of which are being regularly updated with new content. Shortly appearing should be write ups from each year group about their learning last half term and a few photographs to accompany them.

Our new school menu has been launched this half term and features a wide range of nutritious, filling and attractive options which have been chosen by pupils in school. We also have a new salad bar available every day which the children can eat as much of as they like which is very exciting! We have a large number of our pupils who enjoy a school meal every day but there is always room for more so if you would like your child to take up school dinners, especially in the colder winter months, please speak to the school office who will be able to help you out.

Our termly EYFS / 50Things open day was held on 6th November and was well attended by parents. We hope everyone had a great time doing lots of fun activities in and out of the classroom, including toasting marshmallows over a warming fire. We look forward to inviting you to our Spring open day in a few months' time.

We would also like to take this opportunity to give you some advance notice about our Winter Fair. This will be a whole school fundraiser event with stalls, activities and a café and it will be held in week commencing 9th December. Further details to follow.

All that remains to be said is we wish you a pleasant 2nd half of the Autumn term and thank you for your ongoing support.

Mrs Carter, Headteacher.

TERM DATES

Term dates for 2020-2021 (next academic year) now available from the office so that you can plan holidays in school holidays, as per Keighley Schools Together policy. They will also shortly be posted on our website.

PLEASE NOTE: The Government has changed the date of the May Day Bank holiday in 2020 so it will now NOT be held on Monday 4th May as per the term dates but WILL now be held on FRIDAY 8TH MAY 2020. Please make a note of this change in your diaries / calendars. A reminder text will be sent out nearer the time.

BEHAVIOUR ON SITE

Sadly, we have had a couple of incidents on the school site or just outside of it, where adult behaviour has not set a good example for our pupils. We would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents, carers and family members that, as adults, we are responsible for setting a good example to all children and be a positive role model for them. May we also politely remind all parents that the school site is a non-smoking site and request that anyone wishing to smoke does so well away from the school perimeter so parents and children walking to / from school do not have to walk through smoke if they don't want to. Thank you.

CHILDREN IN NEED

Takes place on Friday 15th November. Non-uniform welcome in exchange for 50p/£1 donations. The theme is spots and dots. We will also be holding a cakes, buns and biscuits sale after school by the main entrance, 3pm onwards.

REMEMBRANCE

We are delighted to report we sold all of our allocated poppy products, raising lots of funds for the Royal British Legion. 3 representatives from Eastwood will be attending the Remembrance Parade in Keighley Town Centre. All families are welcome to come along to Town Hall Square from 10:30am to help commemorate those who have died and still fight to

PARENTS FORUM

Our next Parent's Forum will be on Wed 27th November in the Family Centre. This will be a general meeting with opportunities for you to ask questions / raise concerns and hopefully receive answers. We hope to see many of you

McMILLAN COFFEE

Our coffee morning took place on Thursday 10th October. We raised over £150 for this very worthwhile charity which was great. Thank you very much for your support..