

STAR PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS LETTER



April 2017

Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please excuse this late edition of the April newsletter. We have been so busy since the start of term and hopefully your children have been telling you all about the latest developments in the school.

Over the Easter holidays, we completed the redecoration of the ICT suite and from next week classes will be going up to use this much improved space. We are also going to be offering some parent IT workshops in the near future and hopefully this will give you the opportunity to see the space for yourselves.

We have also painted and decorated the stairwells and I have to tell you that this has been a big hit with the children. They were delighted this week, when their favourite book titles were added to the stairs. It gave me great pleasure to hear the children discussing which books they have already read and which ones they wanted to read next while making their way up and down the stairs. The school is looking great and the children and staff are very proud. I would like to say a special thank you to Mr Bond who designed the bookend for each stair. We are lucky to have such creative adults working at Star!

I have been informed that the school will be used as a Polling Station in the general elections on the 8th June. Regretfully I will have to close the school on that day. I know that this does cause an inconvenience to parents, particularly working parents—hopefully this will give you enough time to make alternative arrangements.

Best regards,
L von Buchenroder
Head Teacher

Our year 6 pupils and eight members of staff return once again from their amazing residential visit to the Lake District. They have enjoyed time together which focused on team work, developing leadership skills, building confidence and raising their self esteem. As one pupil reported to his mother "It has been the best five days of my life!". We cannot underestimate the value of learning in the outdoors in an inspiring landscape with such skilled and talented staff. I have every confidence that this experience has helped prepare them for next weeks SATs. If you have a child in year 6 please ensure they arrive at school early next week having had a good nights sleep. Breakfast Club will run for year 6 each morning from 7:45am.

Attendance

Very well done to all of the children who had 100% attendance last term and were rewarded with an Attendance bear in Reception and books in KS1 and KS2!

Please remember that it is important for your child to attend school every day - this increases their chances of achieving their best at school.

Thank you for your support in ensuring your child is in school and on time every day - it really does make a difference!



Important Dates

Monday 8th May - Friday 12th May

Year 6 SATS Week

Monday 22nd May - Friday 26th May

Year 4 York Visit

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

School Closed for half term

Monday 5th June

School Open as usual

Thursday 8th June

School closed—Polling Station

Year 4 York Trip

Our Year 4 pupils are very excited about their upcoming trip to York. If for any reason parents could not make the drop in session this week, please do see Mrs Rennie or Mrs Jennings at a time convenient to you if you have any further questions you would like to ask.

Introducing STAR!

You may recall that last year we held our Big Walk event to raise money for the Guide Dog charity. In fact, we raised so much money that we were allowed to name and adopt a guide dog who we will continue to sponsor until they are fully trained.

This week we received the Birth Certificate of the puppy who we have decided to call Star. Thank you to all the families that have made this wonderful opportunity possible...



Star Cinema Morning

To celebrate the end of the Spring Term and to give the children a little treat for being so fantastic, we held a Star Cinema Morning on Friday 31st March! It was a non-school uniform day with movies and ice-cream from an Ice-Cream Van! Needless to say there were many happy faces from both students and staff!!!



Eastlea Coffee Morning

Eastlea Community School are inviting all parents of year 5 children to a coffee morning.

Parents will be able to visit the school, have a tour and chat to key members of their transition team over a coffee.

The dates are as follows:

Wednesday 24th May
9:30am - 11:00am

Wednesday 14th June
9:30am - 11:00am



For more information please call Eastlea Community School on: 0207 540 0400

Year 4 Cycle Proficiency

Some lucky year 4 children have been learning all about road safety and bicycle maintenance.

They are taking lessons in our playground and on completion of the course they will be awarded a Level 1 in Cycle Proficiency.

