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Eckington CE First School

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Expansion of Provision

We are pleased to be able to expand provision for eligible year groups from next week. We have had our expansion plans approved by county and this includes inviting our year 5 children back into school to celebrate their time with us before they move to middle school. Unfortunately, that also means that we will not be able to expand provision any further before September. We are aware that this is disappointing but we are working on a plan to allow all year groups that have not returned to school to have face to face contact with a teacher through a digital platform before the summer.

Rags 2 Riches

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Rags 2 Riches, we raised £ 215!! We would also like to say thank you to the local community who have donated £220 from the sale of handmade face masks sold in the village shop.

Thank you Eckington FOES and all of our community.

Letters Home

Thank you to those who have provided feedback. Letters will be sent in pdf format to ensure that they can be read easily on mobile devices. Please continue to share your feedback with us.

Mrs Bishop has a wish list for Reception September 2020!

Wooden bowls/ spoons/ plates/ cups/cars/ clogs/bookcases/tables (children size tables)
Any sizes wicker baskets
Picture frames (without the glass)
Mirrors
Metal plates, cups.
Metal spoons/ whisks/ colander
Old teapots, Old fancy kettles
Stainless Steel teaset bits / kettles/ teapots
Little toy people
Pieces of material
Anything 'natural'
Placemats
Vases
Vintage looking tablecloths/ crouched mats
Earth wear plates, bowls, cups for role play corner.

Brave the Shave– Number 2!



Emma in class 3 has also made the brave decision to 'Brave the Shave!' We are very proud that she too wants to support the important work that is done by Macmillan Cancer Support. If you would like to support her follow the link <https://bravetheshave.macmillan.org.uk/shavers/emma-preedy>.

Isla raised £ 1,100 and would like to thank you for your support.



We expect all of the children to follow our 6 key school values all of the time and this half term we are focussing on 'Responsibility'.



Staffing September 2020

As the 31st May teacher resignation deadline has passed, we are now able to share with you the class structure for September 2020. At present, all classes will be below 23 which means we can continue to provide a small nurturing environment for children.

| Class | Year Groups | Teacher | Teaching Assistant |
|-------|---------------------|---|--|
| 1 | Nursery & Reception | Mrs Louise Bishop (T-F) Mr Aaron McDonagh (M) | Mrs Jo Stone (M-T) & Mrs Amanda Hyett (W-F) |
| 2 | Year 1 & 2 | Mrs Leila Steele (M-W) Mrs Claire Marks (Th-F) | Mrs Liz Crumpton (Tues-Thur) |
| 3 | Year 3 & 4 | Mrs Mary Dodd | Mrs Liz Crumpton (M & F) Mrs Caroline Waller (Tues) |
| 4 | Year 4 & 5 | Mr Scott Tranmer | Mrs Caroline Waller (W-Thur) |

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Please see latest government advice...

New helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education:

Phone: 0800 046 8687 Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk 8am to 6pm (Mon-Fri)

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/preparing-for-the-wider-opening-of-schools-from-1-june>

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