

Great Easton Grapevine

Wednesday 6th September 2017

Autumn 1



Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Bingham-Wallis on the birth of Lucy Susannah, who was born on Thursday 27th July at 10:59, weighing in at 3.180 kg (7lb) – a lovely little sister for Emily and Madeline.



We would like to say 'Hello & Welcome' to **Matilda & Harrison** who have joined us in years 5 & 6.



July

Congratulations to Miss Govey's class who achieved 98.93%

CAR PARK

Please remember that the yellow lines in the car park are to be kept clear at all times. To ease congestion, don't forget the Walking Bus!



Letters to Parents

since last Grapevine.....

4/9 – Swimming

5/9 – Year 6 IOW Residential



NON-UNIFORM, SUGAR-FREE HOUSE TEAM DAY

FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER

This Friday, the children can come into school in sporty type clothes (tracksuits, football kits etc) as we will be promoting healthier lifestyles and choices. The school nurse will be running sessions with each house team about the amount of sugar in our foods and suggesting healthier choices. This is to remind children of the reasons behind healthy snacks, school dinners and lunch boxes. We are working on a whole school food policy which will be shared with parents shortly as we have noticed some lunch boxes are containing rather a lot of cakes, chocolate and sugar and will be asking that children bring in healthier alternatives.



Miss Jackman has asked me to remind you that hair should be tied back discreetly – no JoJo Bows or other extravagant hair accessories please!



Mrs Latham has asked whether there are any other Year 5 or 6 children that would like to do after school netball club on Tuesdays as there are spaces – please contact the office if interested.

Dunmow Cricket Club

Summer Fete and Junior Awards

Sunday 10th September 12-4

Bouncy Fun Zone with evolution inflatables

Bottle Tombola

Raffle

Cricket Competitions

Golf and bowling sideshows

Cake stall

Bar open

BBQ

Any enquiries contact Kath Gibson 07906127325

or thegibbos_6@hotmail.com



Great Dunmow Carnival is being held on Saturday 16th September 2017

This is the third year Rebel Strength have hosted a Strongman Competition in the adjacent main field. This year we will be running a Tug of War competition from 2:30pm for children and adults and are looking for local teams to enter and take part.

You can enter a team of up to 8 people. If you are interested in competing for the tug of war trophy, please email

andy@rebelstrength.co.uk or have a look at our facebook event page for further details.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/963865780407914/?ti=c>



PTA Annual General Meeting: the date for the PTA Annual General Meeting will be confirmed shortly...



KEEP IN TOUCH: Search Facebook for *PTA Great Easton Primary School* and join the group or email us at pta@greateaston.essex.sch.uk



CLASS LIST: We have started using Classlist to keep parents at our school connected and up to date. It's free and super easy. Parents in over 500 UK schools use Classlist's private, secure service to connect, arrange events, share recommendations and more. Parents of each class are connected in a group with each to connect more easily. To join, please email pta@greateaston.essex.sch.uk



BAG 2 SCHOOL

Another Bag 2 School collection has been arranged for Monday 16th October. Bags will be sent home in book bags soon. Good quality clothes, paired shoes, accessories, soft toys, towels, curtains and bedding are all accepted. No school uniform please. <http://uk.bag2school.com/what-we-collect>



CASH FOR COINS

We collect your old (or current!) sterling/foreign currency coins and notes. Collection bottles in each classroom and a monthly prize for the heaviest bottle



SHOP ONLINE? HELP YOUR PTA THE EASY WAY – NO BAKING REQUIRED!

If you regularly shop online at Amazon, John Lewis, Next, Ebay, M&S, Argos, Tesco (+ many more shops) or about to make a large one off purchase online, check if you could easily raise money for our school PTA by shopping online via 'The Giving Machine'. All you need to do is register at www.thegivingmachine.co.uk and simply visit that website, select the online store you intend to shop at from the list and be redirected to the website of your choice and the retailer will donate a small % of the transaction to the PTA. Over 2,000 shops are linked to the Giving Machine site. So far we have raised just over £200 through the Giving Machine from just a small number of parents registered. This is a great opportunity to raise funds without having to do anything different.

DIARY DATES

ANY NEW ITEMS/AMENDMENTS TO PREVIOUS WEEKS' WILL BE IN RED & MARKED WITH * IN CASE YOU PRINT IN BLACK & WHITE!

September

Thursday 7th & Friday 8th – New Reception start – 8:40-12:00 (no lunch)

Monday 11th – New Reception – 8:40-1:15 (with lunch)

Monday 18th – New Reception – Full Time

Weds 20th – Fri 22nd – Year 5 Danbury Residential

Friday 22nd – 4:00-7:00pm – Family Fun Friday

October

*Monday 16th – 9:00am – Bags 2 School

November

*Tuesday 14th – Parent Consultations

*Thursday 16th – Parent Consultations

*Friday 17th – Children in Need

December

*Tuesday 5th – KS1 daytime performance (with babies & toddlers)

*Thursday 7th – KS1 evening performance

*Tuesday 12th – KS2 daytime performance (with babies & toddlers)

*Thursday 14th – KS2 evening performance

*Friday 15th – Wear a Jumper for Christmas Day

FUTURE DATES: Thurs 1st March – World Book Day ~ Fri 23rd March – Sport Relief