Dear Parents and carers,

Online Safety – Keeping children safe online

The internet is a great place for children to learn, play, create and connect, but technology is advancing quickly, and you may find it challenging to keep up.

The O2 have created resources to help parent/carers regularly discuss online safety with their children. This empowers families to confidently explore the digital world.

Check out their online safety resources at https://www.o2.co.uk/help/online-safety

We will also be adding this link to the <u>Online Safety section</u> of the school website soon.

Parent/Carer Evenings

This term the school will be holding Parent/Carer Evenings on the following days;

- Nursery Parents Evening Tuesday 12th March (3:50-7pm)
- Nursery Parents Evening Wednesday 13th March (3:50-6pm)
- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Tuesday 12th March (3.30pm 7pm)
- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Wednesday 13th March (3.30pm 5.30pm)

Details on how to book your parents evening slots will be sent out shortly.

On arrival to your appointment, you will need to sign in on a register located in the main school hall where you will also have an opportunity to look through your children's learning whilst you wait for your appointment.

If your child is in Nursery, please go straight across the Nursery building to sign in.

Year 2 Maths Café

On Tuesday 30th January at 2:30pm, Mrs Ketrina Hill will be leading a Maths café for year 2 parent/carers. This will focus on fluency, problem solving and reasoning. We will be looking at the way children learn using concrete and pictorial resources, introducing them to the Maths vocabulary that we use and will provide parent/carers with the opportunity to take on a Maths challenge with their child.

<u>*Reminder* ESA Rock and Roll Bingo Night (adults only)-</u> <u>SPACES AVAILABLE</u>

Following on from the success of the ESA Quiz Night, they next bring to you a Rock and Roll bingo event on Friday 2nd February in the school hall.

For those who don't know what it is, here's how it works: Instead of your traditional numbers being called out in a normal game of bingo, they're replaced with 15-20 seconds bursts of sing along



songs from the past and present!

The numbers on the bingo cards are replaced with artists and song name. So, with your bingo card in hand and your dabber on standby, listen out for the songs being played and mark them off as you would a normal game of bingo.

We will be selling tickets at \pounds 3 per person which will get you entry to the event, one round of Rock and Roll bingo and snacks for your table. (Further bingo cards can be purchased on the night for \pounds 2 a round). Prizes will be awarded in each round to the winning line and a full house.

There will also be beer, wine, prosecco, mixer cans and soft drinks throughout the night at the ESA bar. Cash or card payments will be accepted on the night for the purchase of drinks.

Doors will open at 6:30pm for a 7pm start.

Advance booking for this event is essential and can be done through <u>school</u> <u>gateway and selecting payment option "Rock and Roll Bingo Night"</u>. You can pay for multiple tickets via this payment option. There is a maximum capacity for the hall for events like this so we will let parent/carers know if we are approaching this number if necessary. If you have any questions about tickets, please contact Mrs Unwin in the school office.

We have some tickets still available and have extended the deadline to book tickets to **9am on Wednesday 31st January** to allow plenty of time for ordering bingo sheets and to ensure that enough stock is in place for the ESA bar!

Reminder ESA Paint and Sip Evening (adults only)

Come and create a masterpiece painting, guided by a professional artist, Christine Haseldine, whilst enjoying drinks from our bar!

For only £27 you will be provided with all the materials and instructions, 2 complimentary glasses of prosecco and you can take home your very own painting.

Tickets to this event can be purchases through <u>school</u> <u>gateway and by selecting payment option "ESA paint</u> <u>and sip evening</u>'

Please add the names of the people attending if you are booking for more than one person (you can book for multiple people via this payment option)



Our Paint and Sip night is on Friday 22nd March and as there are only 30 spaces, we advise early booking for this fabulous event! (adults only)

Deadline to book is 15th March to allow plenty of time for organising materials and to ensure that enough stock is in place for the ESA bar!

Further information about the event can be found on <u>this poster</u> and you can take a look at Chritsine's art work and previous Sip & Paint events by scanning the QR code below.



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Parenting courses

The Education Inclusion Family Advisory team for Cambridgeshire County Council will soon be running the following Parenting Courses:

Incredible years course (5-11 years)

- Group Triple P Teens (Teen to 16 years)
- Stepping stones (additional needs up to 12 years)

Please <u>click here</u> for further information.

Reminder NSPCC Number Day

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on Friday 2 February 2024. Everything the NSPCC does protects children today and prevents abuse tomorrow.



The NSPCC needs our support more than ever. By raising money, we can help to fund their vital services such as Childline – the helpline that's always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern.



Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it.

We are having a fun day of maths activities, and we will be taking part in Dress up for Digits. Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!).

Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme. To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for a suggested donation of $\pounds 2$, and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event.

We've set up a <u>Just Giving page</u>, please donate and share with friends so we can support the NSPCC.

We're really looking forward to all the fun of Number Day, and we really appreciate your support. All the money we raise at Eastfield will make an enormous difference to children today and help NSPCC prevent abuse.



St Ives Library – The Library Presents

Your local library service would like to introduce you to **The Library Presents**. This is an Arts programme with two seasons a year across many of our libraries in Cambridgeshire, including St Ives library.

The events are for all ages, many of them for children and families. They have performances of music, dance, theatre, puppetry, comedy, magic, and storytelling, there are also workshops in all sorts of craft activity, suitable for all ages.

The library would like to ensure that families are aware of the wide range of good value and great quality events and activities they could get involved in, without the need to travel too far.

The Library Presents team is keen to work with local communities in order to keep developing the programme. They are currently inviting residents to help select the events they would like to see in their local library, see https://www.library.live/the-library-presents

The Library Presents aims for an inclusive and accessible programme:

- Relaxed performances to meet the need of Neurodiverse / Autistic audience members.
- Some events include British Sign Language interpreters.
- Hearing loops offered at many venues.

St Ives Community Choir

St Ives Community Choir are looking to recruit new members to their team.

Please <u>click here</u> for further information.



LA Academy Swim School

LA Academy Swim School are a local swim school in the St Ives area offering a range of semi-private, private and SEN swimming lessons.

Please <u>click here</u> for further information and to access a discount code.

Barracudas Holiday Childcare

Please <u>click here</u> to see further information on Barracudas upcoming holiday childcare provision.

They have also provided a <u>fun activity sheet</u> for your child to enjoy.

Important dates for your diaries

- Tuesday 30th January Year 2 Maths Café at 2:30pm in the school hall
- Friday 2nd February NSPCC Number Day
- Friday 2nd February ESA Rock 'n' Roll Bingo event
- Tuesday 6th February 2023 Safer Internet Day
- Wednesday 7th February 2023 Raccoon Class Assembly (9 9:45am)
- Thursday 8th February 2023 Otter Class Assembly (9 9:45am)
- Monday 12th February ESA Film Night 3:15 5pm
- Wednesday 14th February Squirrel Class Assembly (9 9:45am)
- Thursday 15th February Rabbit Class Assembly (9 9:45am)
- Monday 19th to Friday 23rd February Half Term
- Thursday 29th February 2023 Nursery and Reception Maths Café at 9am in the school hall.
- Week commencing 4th March 2023 World Book Week
 - 5th March = Travelling book fair arrives for a week
 - 7th March = World Book Day (dress up theme TBC)
- Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th March Parent/Carer evenings
- Friday 15th March Red Nose Day
- Week commencing 18th March Science Week (more information to follow)
- Monday 18th March ESA film night 3:15 5pm
- Tuesday 19th March Reception Stay and Learn Maths session at 2:30pm
- Friday 22nd March ESA Sip & Paint event
- Tuesday 26th March Y1 Production (2:15pm)

- Wednesday 27th March Y1 Production (9:15am)
- Thursday 28th March Last day of Spring Term
- Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April Easter Break
- Monday 15th April Start of Summer Term

Yours sincerely

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Mrs Summerfield