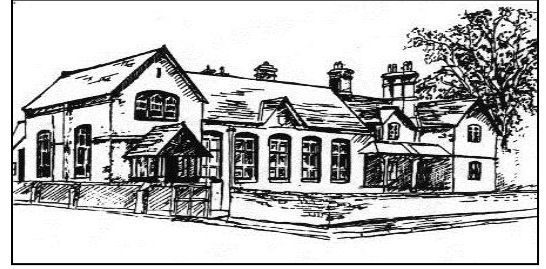


EARDISLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Giving Children Roots and Wings



Value and British Value
for April

Service
(All British Values)

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 27TH APRIL 2018

Dear Families

We have had a great week, between the showers!

Church Visit

Rowan and Willow Class visited the church for a session with Marcus. In RE they are studying Sacred Places and so our visit to the church to look at its special features and to hear about its history was a super start to their topic.

Congratulations, Oak Class!

We are so proud of Oak Class! The children work with Roger Morgan on Pupils2Parliament. He sent an email this week to tell us that Eardisley Primary School in Herefordshire, has been influencing the government's thinking on education. Pupils from the school are involved with a discussion group called Pupils2Parliament, which has been sending pupil-authored reports to a cross-party select parliamentary select committee. The House of Lords Select Committee on Citizenship and Civic Engagement has just issued a report on education, quoting the pupil's findings as evidence to support their conclusions. The Committee report said that pupils consulted by Pupils 2 Parliament were clear on what values they believed everyone living in Britain should share, think are important and support: " 'mutual respect – caring – democracy and voting', followed by 'fundraising and charity – equality – individual liberty and freedom – rule of law – kindness"

So the pupils have confirmed to Parliament that there are such things as shared British Values ... this reinforces our belief that children have fresh thinking and wisdom and that it is important to ask and listen to them – well done!

Starting School at Eardisley

It's the time of the year again when we have the names of all our new pupils starting in Reception in September! We will shortly be welcoming them to the Eardisley School family and inviting them into school for their induction days with us. This year, we do have a few spaces available and if you know of anyone with a child starting school in September who would like the individual attention that a small year group can offer, do let us know! They will also benefit from our highly talented and experienced teacher, Miss Evans, who is one of only two Early Years Specialist Leaders in Education in Herefordshire! Do have a word with me, or contact the school office.

With all good wishes

Bridget Knight.

Bridget Knight

NOTICES AND INFORMATION

Beech Class – Oaker Wood

Please don't forget that OV forms and **full payments** for this trip must be received by next Wednesday 2nd May.

If you are not sure how much you have outstanding, please contact Mrs. Bluett.
Thank you.

Sporty School!

The children are very excited to be taking part in a whole new range of in and after school sporting activities this term. We are having tennis coaching from Eardisley Tennis Club, athletics and cricket coaching from Luctonians, Miss Turner and Mr Salter, and swimming at Presteigne pool too. Oak Class have been really enjoying their yoga sessions with Georgie!

Other reminders:

- Year 6 - Red Ridge trip to be paid in full by Monday 18th June please – instalments welcome any time up to 18th June.
- Beech & Oak Classes – Data Check forms to be returned to school asap please.
- All classes – Facebook photo permission forms to be returned asap please.

Clubs

Clubs are now all full so please don't send in any further slips.
Thank you.

Value of the Month – Service

We are really enjoying exploring the value of Service this month. We have talked about 'kind hands' and about doing God's work here on earth. The children, as ever, are full of wonderful ideas about how they can help people. The School Council is planning a Tea Party for elderly residents of Eardisley, so if you know of anyone who you think would appreciate an invitation, please do let me know.



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Friday 20th April 2018

Madam,

We are so sorry that
your dog has passed
away. You don't need
to be sad. We want to
give you Snuffles.

Yours Sincerely,
Rowan Class
(Reception)

Cheer up
X X

Writing Fit for a Queen!

Rowan Class have written to Queen Elizabeth to cheer her up after the loss of her last Corgi. They are thoroughly enjoying their London topic and have lots of royal plans too!

Eardisley School Governors

Before the Easter holidays I visited the school to review the Literacy throughout the school. I am the Literacy link governor, and together with Mrs. Knight -the Head, we visited every class to talk to the children, discuss their work and note their progress.

I was particularly impressed with the children in Rowan class, as it was very easy to see how much their letter formation and writing in general has improved from before Christmas.

The work produced by the children in Oak class on the subject of ' A letter to God' from the perspective of a farmer or refugee was amazing. The children showed such insight and empathy. If I hadn't known I would have thought this work had been produced by much older children.

I feel very privileged to be able to say I am a governor at a school with such wonderful children.
Caroline Morris- Deputy Chair of Governors.

Is your child eligible for Benefit-related Free School Meals?

Your child could be eligible for a range of benefits, including free school meals from Year 3 upwards, help with school trip costs and uniform, free milk and other school costs – please see below:

Free School Meals can only be awarded if you or your partner is in receipt of one of the following qualifying benefits:

- a) Income Support or Income Based Job Seekers Allowance
- b) Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- c) Universal Credit if **NET** earnings do not exceed £7,400
- d) Pension Guarantee Credit
- e) Child Tax Credit, where Working Tax Credit is **NOT** in payment **AND** your annual income does not exceed £16,190 (as determined by HM Revenues & Customs)
- f) Working Tax Credit 'Run On' (A 4 week payment when your employment has ceased or your working hours reduce below 16)
- g) Support under Part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999

Please ask in the office for a form, or complete one on the Herefordshire Council website https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200144/schools_and_education/52/free_school_meals

What's happening next week?

Monday	KS1 Cricket Club	Thursday	Spring Greens Event Gardening Club KS2 Cricket Club Rainbows
Tuesday	Mother & Toddler Group am Rounders Club	Friday	
Wednesday	Swimming Willow Class Athletic Clubs 5 pm Governors' Meeting		

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES	
Wednesday 2 May	5.00 pm Governors' Meeting
Thursday 3 May	Visit to the Spring Greens Festival
8/9 th May	Beech Class to Oaker Wood Adventure Centre
Week beginning 14 th May	KS2 SATs week
Tuesday 22 May	The Children's Bookshelf Co. in school (more details to follow)
Wednesday 23 May	FOES Pudding Night
Thursday 24 May	Beech & Oak Classes to Hay Festival (more details to follow)
Friday 25 May	Elite athlete in school
Thursday 7 June	Year 6 Multifaith Visit
Friday 8 June	Sport Day pm
Wednesday 13 June	Kwick Cricket competition KS2
Monday 18 June	Girls' Kwick Cricket KS2
Tuesday 19 June	Year 6 to Crucial Crew
Wednesday 20 June	Year 4 Kwick Cricket
	Parents' Meeting for pupils starting in September
25/27 June	Year 6 to Red Ridge Residential
4/5/6 July	Year 6 Cycle training
Saturday 7 July	School Fete
Monday 9 July	Year 5 Taster Day at Weobley
Week beginning 9 July	Parent/Teacher meetings
Tuesday 17 July	KS2 Production
Wednesday 18 July	KS2 Production
Thursday 19 July	Leavers' Service