

# Eastlands Primary School

July 2019

## EPS Attendance

Target **96.5%**

Attendance in June:

R— 92.9%

Y1— 97.2%

Y2— 98.8%

Y3— 96.1%

Y4— 95.5%

Y5—96.7%

Y6— 93.3%

Overall attendance for the whole school for June was averaging at **95.78%**

**This is below our target.**

Please help us to raise this % by ensuring your child's attendance is good or better.

**Is your child's class**

**"On time at 5 to 9" ?**

School opens at **8.45am** when children can go to their classrooms and get ready for the start of the school day. Please make sure that your child is in their class, ready to work by **8.55am** at the latest.

In our last newsletter of 2018.19 I would like to wish all our Year 6 the very best in the future at secondary school. Please keep in touch as we love to hear of all your successes.

For all other year groups school reopens Wednesday 4th September for children.

Staffing— This term we are saying farewell to Miss Stonell who is taking up a post at a local school. My I take this opportunity to thank her for all her hard work at Eastlands and wish her well in the future.

School dinners:- The cost of a school dinner is increasing by 5p to £2.35 from Sept 2019

**Happy Birthday** to all our children who celebrate their birthdays in July

Rec: Alfie, Georgio, SAnuel, Virush, Grace, Jake

1: Goldberg, Olivia, Raj

2: Ethan, Caio

3: Summer, Summa, Jacob, Nancy

4: Daniel, Alisha, Amelia, Jessica, Maisie, Ella, Tyler, Abigail, Finlay, 5:: Erin

**Happy Birthday** to all our children who celebrate their birthdays in August

1. Amelia, Enqi, Oscar B.

2: Joel, Sophie, Ruby

3: Bobby, Francesca, Evayah

4: Calvin, Heidi-Lee, Lilla, Benjamin, Jaylan

5: Thomas

6 Jacob, Lexi, Thomas

## End of Term dates. -

9th July—Rocksteady performance

12th July—Reports to parents

15th July—Celebration assembly

16th July—Year 6 leavers assembly

17th July— Year 6 leavers ball

19th July—school closes for summer

## Final Week of Term

Year 6 will be rehearsing their end of year production in the coming days.

Wednesday 17th STOMP workshops have been booked and Thursday 18th Puzzle company will lead on maths investigations linked to computing. 'More art' is one of the requests children have made through their school councillors and we have a parent who will lead clay workshops on Tuesday afternoon.

**Safeguarding is Everybody's Responsibility**

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## Staffing



Miss Prendergast is getting married and will be known to us as Mrs Thomas in September.



## Governor Profiles - Beth Abisola

I have been a co-opted governor at Eastlands Primary School from December 2017. I live in Houlton, a new community in Rugby. I have known Rugby to be a warm, welcoming community.

My desire to be part of Eastlands Primary School Governing Body derives from my genuine interest in improving the community through quality education for all. I am an IT Business Analyst and Project Manager for my limited company working in the financial services sector. I love being part of the community and I am a keen supporter of Eastlands Primary School. The Headteacher and staff at Eastlands Primary provide a hugely welcoming and supportive environment for all children and the school has a very open, responsive, forward thinking approach. The school is now trialing a system that improves parents experience of booking children in for before and after school.

As a co-opted governor my aim is to help support the growth of the school ensuring outstanding experiences for every child, parents and staff.

## James Brown

I'm very pleased to join the Eastlands Governing body, as a parent Governor. I have one child in year 1 and another who will be starting in the nursery in September. Like all of us I want to support my children and their peers to achieve the best they possibly can and that is why I wanted to join the governing body.

I am a Chartered Mechanical engineer and currently work for a large water technology company managing projects involving waste water treatment in Europe and the Middle East. I believe in promoting Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths and have had the pleasure of visiting the school on several occasions in this regard. While I do not have any specific background in education I hope I will be able to bring a different set of skills and perspective to the already diverse range we have within the governing body.

From my experience as a parent, I believe Eastlands is a great school with dedicated staff and a very active wider community, such as the Parent and Staff Association, all helping to make our children's school experience positive and memorable. I look forward to helping and supporting the school to fulfil its vision of Empowering and Preparing our children for Success in a changing world.

**We all have the right to feel safe all the time.**

**Eastlands Primary School Protective Behaviours Curriculum**

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## Thank you to our Parents.

Once again I wish to say our hardwork in school is so well supported by parents. A big thank you to you all.



## Thank you to Staff.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the school staff team who have worked hard over the year supporting pupils. Your hard work is much appreciated by parents.

## Food for Thought

It is becoming clear that as a society we must engage with our children more due to the impact of new technologies. The links below explore what is changing in our daily lives and the impact this could have on our children. Please have a read.

[research-smartphones-damage-social-development](#)

[Does technology impact on emotional intelligence ?](#)

To start to address this a little can all parents put 'phones away' when collecting their children and engage in conversation about the child's day. Can we endeavour to arrive and collect children on time and not let the pressures of work/ life in general take away from childrens' positive early experiences. The way we talk and behave with young children will influence children's behaviour and social skills in future.

## Warwickshire Multi Agency Safeguarding Board. [MASH](#)

Emotional Abuse signs to look out for: [NSPCC](#)

If you are worried about the safety of a child or adult over the summer break please follow this link.



In school we have designated safeguarding leads who will discuss any concerns you make have regarding the well being of a child. They are Mrs Edwards, Mrs Warrington, Miss Prendergast, Mrs Hague, Miss Magdij, Mrs Vikmanis and Ms Haynes.

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## Value of the Month- Determination

The quality of being determined; firmness of purpose.  
 "those who succeed because of sheer grit and  
 determination"



Early Years Sports Day  
 was a great success!  
 All the children showed  
 great determination,  
 even when they found  
 it tricky!



Even the staff joined in  
 and were determined that  
 everyone should enjoy  
 the morning!



Well done everyone, you  
 were all winners!



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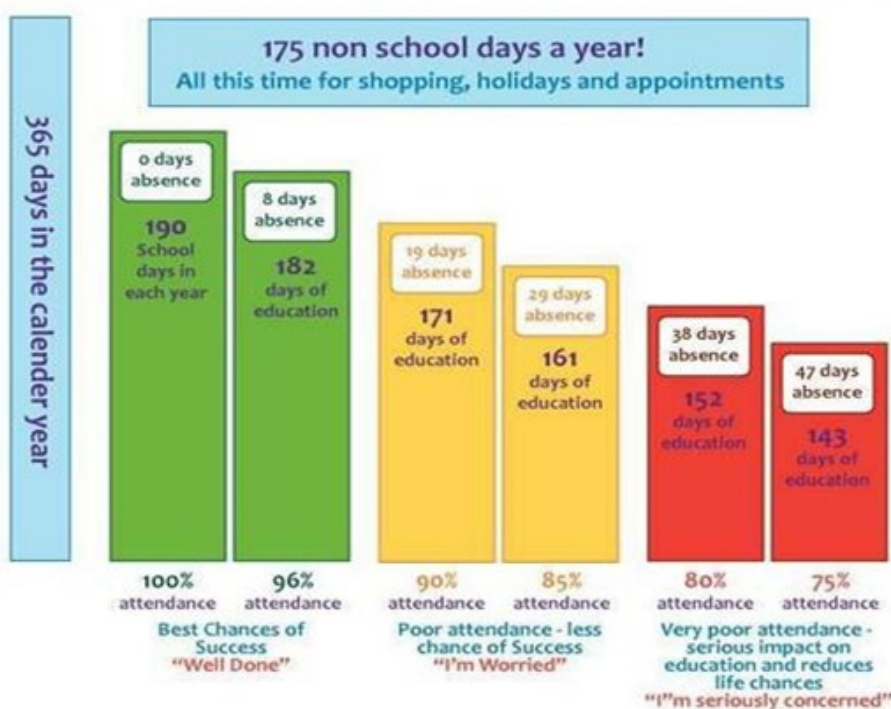
School Closure in Emergency —We If we have an emergency school closure or part day closure you will be informed through Rugby FM, our school website, on [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosure](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosure) and by text message as soon as possible.

**ATTENDANCE TARGET** Our school attendance target is:-

**96.5%**

## Good Attendance Means...

being in school at least 96% of the time. This means 8 Days Off!



### Computer Fun

This month's recommended website for children:-

<http://www.ictgames.com/resources.html>

Always supervise your children when they are using the internet



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## LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of *Platt v Isle of Wight Council* which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

*Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.*

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council.

**It is important to note**, Fixed Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days).

Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996.

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices.

**Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority**

**Warwickshire Primary School pupils recorded 29,703 half day sessions of absence due to holiday in the Autumn/Spring term during the academic year 2017/18. This is an increase of 6,256 on the previous year.**