



East Prescott Road Nursery School

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Dear families,

Happy Friday everyone! I trust you are all doing well. I can't believe how quickly the end of the school year is approaching now. It is only the weather that isn't keeping up!

Many thanks to those of you who have returned your parental questionnaires. It is really useful for our staff to have your views in order to plan for the year ahead. Thank you for all your supportive comments. It really makes a difference to us knowing that our staff team are valued and appreciated by you all.

Here are a few notices to keep you up to date:

Beach Party Themed Week

Our annual beach party extravaganza is next week! In the past, we have held Beach Party all on one day. This used to work well, when our climate was more favourable. In more recent years, rain and cold winds have presented problems for us, so we have had to rethink our approach. We have decided that the events will be held over a whole week so that there is more chance of at least some dry weather.

We have arranged Punch and Judy, donkeys, a bouncy castle and ice creams galore! Staff will choose the driest and warmest day for the paddling pools and water play.

Children will need to bring a **bag to school labelled with their name** that can be left on their peg. Inside the bag, please put the following items:

- **Swimming costume**
- **Towel for after going in the water**
- **A change of clothes – e.g. shorts, a t-shirt**
- **Appropriate shoes for water play e.g. jelly shoes**

Children come to school wearing school uniform as normal. Staff will help the children to get changed into their costumes on paddling pool day.

Sun Safety

It is even more important next week that children are protected from the sun. Children must have **a sun hat** in school. Please make sure your child's sun hat is labelled clearly with their name. Please apply sun cream to exposed areas of children's skin **before they come to school**, especially arms, legs and faces.

Car Park closed

We will continue to access the school via the **main entrance (front door)** for all classes.

School Reports and Parent Meetings

Your child will receive their school report early next week. Parent meetings for school leavers will take place on **Monday 15th July and Tuesday 16th July**. You can request a telephone or face to face appointment. Please sign up for an appointment time with your child's class teacher.



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Attendance and Safeguarding

Please **telephone Joanne Jones** in the school office **by 9am** if your child will be absent from school. If we do not hear from you or if we do not have a valid reason recorded in our system, it is now standard procedure in schools that all unexplained absences are followed up as **safeguarding concerns**. Please do ensure that you ring school as soon as you know that your child will be absent for any reason.

Injuries at home

We work in **partnership with our families** to ensure that safeguarding is our first priority at EPR. If your child has had an injury or accident at home, please inform your child's teacher **when you drop them off at school**. In the same way, we will always inform you if your child has sustained an injury while in our care.

Little Owl's Lending Library

A reminder that library books are to be returned on **Wednesdays**. I am sure you can appreciate that we have limited resources to replace books that go missing at home. For this reason, staff will only loan out new library books upon the return of the previous week's book. If a book has gone missing, please inform a member of staff so that your child can continue to take out new library books. Where books have gone missing at home, we are very grateful to parents who have voluntarily replaced a lost book.

After School Club closures

Please ensure you make a note of our upcoming After school club closures. This provision will be closed on the following days:

- **Wednesday 10th July**
- **Thursday 18th July**
- **Friday 19th July**

Transition to School workshops

A reminder about Kerry's transition workshop on **Friday at 9am**. Next week is the final workshop.

End of Year Ceremonies

The arrangements for our end of year celebrations are as follows:

- Children who are returning to us next year will come along with their parents at **9:00am on Friday 19th July** for their end of year celebration ceremony.
- Children who are leaving us this year will come along at **10:30am on Friday 19th July** for Graduation.
- Children in our Nurture Base – please speak to Nurture Base staff about arrangements for your child.

Owing to the large numbers and limited capacity, we will need to limit places at these events to 2 adults per child.

As has been the case in previous years, children attend for their ceremony, along with their parents/carers. The last full day of school for children will therefore be **Thursday 18th July**.

Dates for Your Diary:

Wednesday 10 th July	After School Club Closed
Thursday 18 th July	After School Club Closed
Friday 19 th July	Graduation Day (last day of the school year) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No breakfast club or afterschool club
Monday 2 nd September	Returning children come back to school (details to follow about first week back)

Wishing you all a fabulous weekend!
With warmest wishes,

Mr Craig A Bolton
Headteacher



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