

## School contact information;

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## Whisper

The Whisper link is confidential, instant and secure.

This link can be found on the school website.

# February 2019



## Spring term 1st 7th January—15th February

*Yellow Room— Reception children will swim each Friday.*

*6th and 7th February; Viking Days in year 3 and 4 with a visitor on 6th.*

*11th February; Australia Day in KS1 with a visitor.*

## Half term break 16th February—24th

*Blue Room— reception children will swim each Friday.*

## Spring term 2nd 26th Feb-5th April

## Easter Break 6th April –22nd April

## Summer term 1st 23rd April-24th May

*Tempest Photographs will be taking class photos.*

## Bank Holiday Monday 6th May

## Summer half term 25th –2nd June

## Summer term 2nd 3rd June– 24th July

*Leavers Assembly for year 6 pupils ; 2.30pm start. Please note that babies, school attending or young siblings should not attend.*

## Summer break—First day of holiday is 25th July

Please note that absences must be reported to the school office on first day of absence and accompanied by medical evidence after 3rd day of absence. Holidays must not be taken unless authorised by the Headteacher. Please remember to contact the school office first thing in the morning if your child is absent. If you fail to do this the school will presume that after the 3rd day you have taken days off for an unauthorised holiday. The school will report this absence to the Education Welfare Officer with putting you at risk of being given a penalty.

Parents and Carers are responsible for the care of their children in the playground before 9am and at the end of each school day.

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**All children must be supervised by Parents and Carers before 9am each day and at point of collection at the end of the school day or session.**

## Cancelled Westward Ho! trip for Year 3 and 4

We have decided to postpone this trip until later in the Spring, Westward Ho can be very cold at this time of year. We are planning a new date to take place after Easter ensuring all the children have visited.

## School Council

The School Council enjoyed a working lunch on Friday and were joined by staff and PTA representatives. We have opened a school account with Terracycle and we are now a Collection Centre of crisp bags. The more empty bags we send off the more money we raise for our school. Every 400 bags will raise £2! Our PTA have asked the School Council to support them to identify future fund raising events and targets that need be to set.

## Parent Mail— SIMS APP

**Do we have your email and most up to date mobile number?** This app will enable you to access communications between school and home electronically and provide updates about your child's attendance. You can download this app from Google Play or Apple APP store by searching for SIMS Parent. Parent mails will be used to prompt you about deadlines regarding events, trips or payments.



**The Cabin Team** Our Cabin team is led by Mrs Emma Williams. If you require provision please complete a form and you will be put on the waiting list. If you have any queries about invoicing, please contact me directly using [cabin@etwschool.com](mailto:cabin@etwschool.com) or [head@etwschool.com](mailto:head@etwschool.com). **Contact ; [cabin@etwschool.com](mailto:cabin@etwschool.com). School office 01237 475178**

## Vacancy for Midday Supervisor

We are desperately seeking a Midday Supervisor working daily between 11.45am and 1pm, supporting children with their play in the playground and helping them with eating in the hall. Please contact the school office for an application form or for more details. Applicants must have a cleared DBS and two references.

## Congratulations to Poppy and Emma

Both Poppy and Emma successfully auditioned for the theatre production of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang at Barnstaple's Queens Theatre. During the performance the girls actually got to sit in the Chitty Chitty Bang Bang car. What an amazing experience!



## Bigger School Walk

Well done Ms Sobey for organising our Bigger School Walk, promoting the benefits of walking to school and increasing our physical activity where we can when possible.

## Taster Day– 17th January

What a successful mealtime, all our children tried and enjoyed a taste of school dinners. Thank you to our cook Maxine who provided a Robin Hood lunch, making over 200 Sherwood Forest Trees!

## Robin Hood Pantomime

What an exciting morning. Well done to all the parents who provided or made costumes for their children, everyone looked amazing. Once again M&M Productions commented how they love coming to East-the-Water Primary, " because the children are so up for a pantomime– and really want to take part." They always compliment us on having such well behaved and well mannered children. Which is great for us!



M&M Productions will return in July with a production of Charlotte's Web for KS2 and a drama workshop for year 6 pupils. Thanks to our Governing Body, we are able to fund these events each year at a cost of over £2000, ensuring all our children have an experience of live theatre free of charge. This year we asked you to contribute by bringing an item of food for the Food Bank. Thank you once again to our PTA for collecting a car load of your donations and delivering them to our local Food Bank.

## Devon Parent Partnership Service

Devon Parent Partnership Service is an organisation that provides information, support and training for parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities. They offer a confidential, free and impartial service. Amongst other things, they can:

- Listen to what you have to say and talk through your options and decisions
- Describe what support the school can offer
- Explain the meaning of documents, reports and letters

Support the development of good communication between you, the school and other services

If you would like to find out more about the Service, either pick up a leaflet about them outside Mrs Smith's room in East-the-Water Primary, contact them directly on 01392 383080 or check out their website at [www.parentpartnershipdevon.org.uk](http://www.parentpartnershipdevon.org.uk)