# EAST MARKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



W/C 6th March 2023

#### **Key Dates**

13.03.23 - Martial Arts Workshops

14.03.23 - Y1 Phonics Screening Parent Information Meeting

15.03.23 - Year 6 Science Workshop

<u>16.03.2</u>3 - No Swimming (Y4)

17.03.23 - Quiz - 7.30pm at School

24.03.23 - Year 1 & 2 Woodland Nurture Forest School Trip

31.03.23 - Last day of term / Values Assembly

25.04.23 - F1 to Y5 Parents Evening 1

26.04.23 - F1 to Y5 Parents Evening 2

## School Uniform

The SVP School Uniform Project is based in Retford and offers pre loved uniform for local primary and secondary school. They are open by appointment only but if parents / carers can't get there and they have what is needed then they can arrange delivery to school. More information can be found on their Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100083374186100

A polite reminder that our school uniform consists of a <u>red polo t-shirt</u>, not white.

## Martial Arts Workshops

On Monday 13th March, all classes (F1 - Y6) will take part in a martial arts workshop. Could all children come to school on that date wearing their PE kit.

## Parking - Drop Off + Pick Up

We have had a number of reports of inconsiderate parking and unsafe vehicle movement outside school at drop off and pick up times. We share the concerns and frustrations around the situation and continue to share these whilst requesting support from Notts CC and Via. We strongly urge parents not to park opposite school, on the part of Askham Rd outside the housing, as this reduces the 'bottle neck' effect and allows a better line of sight for children looking to cross the road. Please support us in keeping our school community safe,

# Happy Monday!

The team are delighted to welcome the children back today after what was a ridiculously exciting week last week. It was wonderful to celebrate World Book Day as a school on Thursday and then the OPAL launch was a highlight for all on Friday. We look forward to sharing more photos with you on our school Facebook page.

Our newsletter is sent out to all parents / carers via our T2P email platform. If you hear of anyone that does not receive this, please do ask them to let us know as we try to ensure all key information is included. Thank you for your ongoing support,

# Mrs Duggin & Mrs Johnstone

## Thank You

We have a number this week...

- Thank you for all of the effort made towards World Book Day. The children looked wonderful in their costumes and the book sale was brilliant. Didn't our reading ambassadors do an incredible job?! Thank you to them for their hard work.
- A special thank you to Cassey Borough-Savage who runs our KS2 performing arts club on a Thursday after school. Cassey came into school on Thursday and offered drama workshops which were fab! Thank you so much! Cassie plans to offer a KS1 club soon... keep your eyes peeled!
- Finally, another HUGE thank you for all of the donations for our OPAL launch. As mentioned above, Friday was a roaring success and it was wonderful to see the children engaged in such meaningful play.

## TikTok Safeguarding Alert

We have been made aware of a new challenge circulating on popular social media platform, TikTok. Known as the 'Foopah' challenge, it involves users attempting to trick TikTok's moderation systems by flashing their bodies. If your child has access to TikTok, please read more here:

Safeguarding Alert: Explicit Images Trend on TikTok - Safer Schools

## Class Emails

- F1 Caterpilars@eastmarkham.notts.sch.uk
- F2 Butterflies@eastmarkham.notts.sch.uk
- Y1 Hedgehogs@eastmarkham.notts.sch.uk
- Y2 Badgers@eastmarkham.notts.sch.uk
- Y3 Squirrels@eastmarkham.notts.sch.uk Y4 - Otters@eastmarkham.notts.sch.uk
- Y5 Kestrels@eastmarkham.notts.sch.uk
- Y6 Foxes@eastmarkham.notts.sch.uk

Please note these will be checked during school hours and there may be a delay in responding.

## Industrial Action - Reminder

We continue to hope that issues will be resolved between the DfE and teaching unions, however we are aware that there are two further upcoming industrial strike action days planned on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March. We politely ask that families continue to proactively make alternate arrangements should any classes have to close due to these. Many thanks.