



# Ernesford Grange Primary School

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Spring Term

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

Dear all parents and carers,

We were all really pleased to hear the latest announcement this week regarding the details and associated dates of our road map out of this pandemic, starting with all children returning to schools on Monday 8th March. We are all really looking forward to reopening our school fully and welcoming back all our children to EGPS.

Since the decision to close all schools on 5th January, many of our children have continued their education remotely. Remote learning has been challenging for everyone! Staff at EGPS have done their very best to provide a platform and structure to support children at home and in school and have worked very hard to learn the technical sides of home learning on the job!

Our staff have had the difficult job of juggling the demands of supporting their children with their learning at the same time as dealing with their own home and work life commitments. As mentioned repeatedly, we have had very high numbers of critical worker children in school and our support staff have done an amazing job of teaching them and making sure they are safe.

I think all our children deserve huge credit for the positive way they have approached the last 2 months. Our staff in school cannot wait to see them all in person and tell them face to face how brilliant we think they have all been. The majority of children have continued to engage fully in their education.

We will be taking a very positive approach to supporting our children when they return to school. It really disappoints me to hear all the negative perceptions that are thrown about in the media. Terms like 'Lost generation', 'Catch up', 'Gaps in Learning' and 'Falling behind' are hardly ways of congratulating the children for all the effort, commitment and resilience they have shown.

When children return, we want to spend some time initially supporting them to re-establish friendships and relationships in school and provide opportunities to cover things that they have generally missed out on like after school clubs, outdoor education and activities.

Thanks again for all your ongoing support and kind words during this challenging time. Your support has never been so appreciated.

Best wishes,  
Mr Taylor

## Owls Before and After School Club

Unfortunately, we are not in a position to re-open the Owls before and after school club until the summer term. Owls before and after school club will re-open Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

## After School Clubs

There are still places available in our after-school sports clubs. Please contact the school office if you would like your child to attend an after-school sports club. All after school clubs will take place in bubbles and the appropriate safety measures will be in place.

## EGPS Notices and Diary Dates 2021

World Book Day – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March Remotely.  
All children return to school – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March.  
Comic Relief Day – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March (fancy dress).  
Term ends for Easter – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

## Summer Term 2021

Children return to school – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April.  
May Day – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.  
**Polling Day – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May, School closed.**  
School closes for half term – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May.  
Children return to school – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.  
Term Ends for Summer – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July.  
INSET Day – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July.  
INSET Day – Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July.  
INSET Day – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July.

## Autumn Term 2021

INSET Day – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.  
Children return to school – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September.  
Half Term begins – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.  
Children return to school – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November.  
Term ends – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December.  
Children return to school – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

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