



UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY ...

1st October

Flu Spray Vaccinations

18th October

Harvest Festival (TBC)

23rd October

Parents' Evening

24th October

Halloween Disco

25th October

Celebration Assembly

Half term holiday

4th November

Return to school

2nd December

Reception Balance Bikes

18th December

Christmas Dinner Day

19th December

Pantomime

20th December

Celebration Assembly

Christmas Holiday

6th January

Return to school

14th February

Celebration Assembly

Half term holiday

24th February

INSET day

25th February

Return to school

Egginton Primary School Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2024

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a summer break and that your child has settled well on their return to school. We have many exciting things planned and are looking forward to the children continuing to be all that they can be.

Guitar Assembly

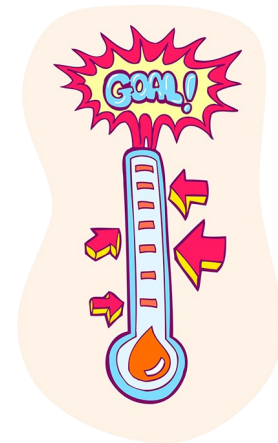
On 16th September, Joel and Jack came to visit us to talk about an opportunity to learn guitar. Several pupils were able to strum and pluck the strings and as a whole school we sang 'Green, green grass' by George Ezra. The pupils who have signed up for lessons are loving it so far!



Library News!

We have officially started work on our long term project to bring a library and wellbeing retreat to Egginton Primary School. The majority of our fundraising will go towards the installation of a modular building that has been donated to us by Talbot Turf.

Once at school, we will then look at redeveloping the interior and getting electricity to it. Once decorated, we will then focus on library furniture, seating and finally the books. It is very exciting to be able to have this additional space in school and I will look forward to updating you every month.



Raring 2 Go!

Please find the Raring2go! Autumn magazine link [here](#)... this edition has got lots of hints and tips to help the children enjoy reading as a family group along with some great suggestions of books to read ...



Attendance



Our overall attendance for this year has been **97.13%**, which is above the government target of 95%.

MacArthur Class have 96.12%,

Nightingale have 97.10% and

Arkwright have 98.59%.

Well done everyone!



The Den Club at Egginton for before and after school care is now up and running. For more details, please visit our school website.

Online Safety



Together we can make sure it's safe for every child to go online. The NSPCC is available to support parents with online safety advice. Please click on the [link](#) for further advice.

Music Makers



Derby Music Centre invites you to come along and see what they could be part of. Pupils are very welcome to pop in and look around - without committing to join - or bring their instrument and join the most suitable group(s). For those who do not play an instrument, there is a choir called 'Voices' and a percussion group called 'Samba' which is open to any pupils. Find out more [here](#)...

Join the PTA!



If any parents are interested in joining our PTA, we have an Annual General Meeting scheduled for Wednesday 16th October at 7pm at school.

This is a great opportunity to be involved in providing a lot of fun for our pupils.

A little bit



Bob Marley

In September, we have learned about Bob Marley—the Jamaican singer, musician, and songwriter. Considered one of the pioneers of reggae, his contributions to music increased the visibility of Jamaican music worldwide, and made him a global figure. You can sample some of his music [here](#)...

Phunky Foods



Why not try out our 'Recipe of the Month' at home?

Lynn's Easiest Pizza Ever!

Click on the link [here](#) to watch a video and enjoy a delicious treat with all the family...

Free School Meals

FREE SCHOOL MEALS
Pssst
Did you know that all reception, year 1 and year 2 pupils are entitled to receive a free meal at lunchtime regardless of family income?
And if your child is in year 3 or above, they may also be eligible, if you receive one of the qualifying benefits.
Just log into the new speedy free school meal checker system to see if your child is eligible. Scan the QR code and it will take you straight there.
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If school meals are free for reception, year 1 and year 2 - why do I still need to apply?
All children in reception, year 1 and year 2 get free school meals, but if you receive one of the qualifying benefits you may also get help with:
• the cost of residential school trips
• travel costs to school
• school uniform costs
• music lessons at school
For every child registered for free school meals, schools receive a pupil premium payment each year. This will be used to help your child achieve their best at school.
Use the QR code overleaf to access the portal and check your eligibility.
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