

# Eastgate Academy News

16th September 2016

**Weekly Attendance Award: Penguins 99%**



Our school policy is to contact parents and carers if a child has a bang to the head however minor the injury. A First Aid medical slip will still be sent home.

Thank you for your co-operation!

## Year 6 Parents

Please let the office know if you are taking your child out of school to tour any of the High Schools. Letters went home on Tuesday!

## Swimming Lessons

**Owls & Doves will be swimming on Wednesdays this term!**

## School Meals

KS2 parents & carers, please remember the cost of school meals is £2.20 per day. Please ensure that your child has the correct money to pay for their meal on a daily basis or you can pre pay either: weekly, monthly or termly. All money paid will be carried over if your child is off school.

## Term-time Holidays

Following the Isle of Wight case and associated press report, we would like to make parents aware that there has been **“no change to the law”**. The Department for Education (DfE) guidance in respect of authorisation of family holiday during term time states that Principals CANNOT authorise a leave of absence from school unless it is exceptional circumstances. Every case will be treated on an individual basis.

**One team, learning and growing together**

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## Diary Dates:

• Mon 5th Sept	School opens for Autumn Term—WELCOME BACK!
• Mon 19th Sept	Clubs start
• Tues 27th Sept	School Photographer in school
• Fri 30th Sept	MacMillan Coffee Morning from 8am to 9am
• Fri 21st Oct	Last day for half term
• Mon 31st Oct	Back to school
• Fri 16th Dec	Last day of term!
• Thurs 5th Jan	School opens for Spring Term
• Fri 10th Feb	Last day for half term
• Mon 20th Feb	Back to school



## Eastgate Residential Cheddar Trip

On Monday 5th September, 45 pupils and staff travelled to Cheddar for their week long residential trip.

On Tuesday they visited Stonehenge and the Chalk Horse. They discovered more about the monument and prehistory of the exhibition, wandered around the Neolithic Houses and walked around the Stone Circle. What a fantastic day!

On Wednesday they visited Cheddar Gorge, climbed Jacobs Ladder and had lunch at the top. They went through a series of caves to look at the stalactites and stalagmites and then visited the museum.

On Thursday they spent the day at Longleat Safari Park and had an amazing time! They went all around the grounds on the train, toured the Safari Park and took a boat ride to Monkey Island. Everyone had a fabulous time and Mrs Hothersall was very proud of all the children! Next year's residential will be in York.

