

Erdington Hall Primary School Newsletter



Spring 2 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

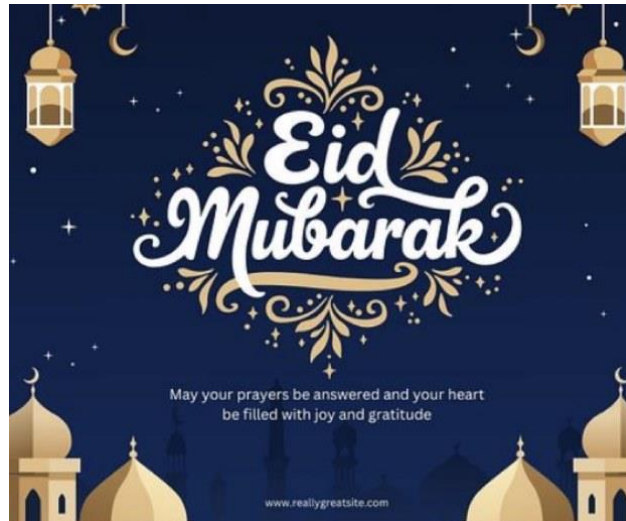
I am really pleased to share this newsletter with you. We have had a busy term and I am sure that you are all enjoying the start of the Easter holiday. For those celebrating, we wish you a very Happy Easter. May you have a joyous and peaceful time. We wish all our families a wonderful break and hope that your holiday provides plenty of time for you and your family to enjoy yourselves and relax too. Please read our latest newsletter, where there are so many things to celebrate at Erdington Hall.

What Went Well

Over the last half term, we noticed:

- Children learning about friendship, we have found that lots of our children support one another in happy times at school. This is both in learning and at play and lunchtimes.
- Children trying their best to improve in their learning. They are taking care with spellings and presentation so that they can produce work that reflects their efforts.
- Please encourage your child to keep doing these things and more, so that they can always be the best version of themselves.

- Also, a big shout to all of you as parents and carers. We appreciate your support as families in enabling them to be at school every day possible, arriving on time and ready to learn.



It was wonderful for so many who celebrated Eid to share their experiences with us and for everyone to take part in fun activities together at this time. We really enjoyed our culture day, where children and staff were able to wear clothes and colours that represented where our families originate from. Reception led a beautiful assembly where they showed us what they had learnt. They enjoyed their learning about Pakistan too, including foods and traditions.





Attendance Reminder for Parents and Carers

Class	Attendance so far this year
5M	95.7% - Well done Year 5! Nearly at 96%
4A	95.4%
6G	94.9%
3L	94.7%
2F	93.4%
6M	92.8%
1H	91.1%
RG	90.8%
Morning Nursery	90.0%
Afternoon Nursery	89.2%

As you know, our whole-school attendance target is 96%. Currently, attendance stands at 93.8%, which is below where we need to be. Every day in school makes a real difference to your child’s learning and progress.

Please avoid taking holidays during term time, as these may result in a fine. We also remind parents and carers of the importance of arriving on time each day wherever possible, as lateness can disrupt learning.

If your child is not feeling well at the start of the day but begins to feel better, they are very welcome to come into school at any time—every minute of learning counts.

We truly value your child being in school every day, and there are many rewards for excellent and improving attendance. Throughout the year, we offer prizes through our 20 Day Challenge, with another opportunity coming before the end of the year—who will win it next term?

This Easter, the following children were very pleased to receive prizes:

20 Day Challenge Winner, receiving an Amazon Tablet: Samson

96% or more Attendance awards went to Ahmed, who received an Amazon Tablet and runner up, Khoen, who received a scooter.

Thank you for your continued support in helping every child achieve their very best.

Safeguarding



Thank you to all of you who remember not to park on the zigzags outside school. This ensures that our children can be kept safe when making their way into school. It is easy for them not to recede when they are making their way in and there could be a serious accident. Please note that we have signs that are put out each day as a reminder of how we can keep our young ones safe.



We are extremely proud of all swimmers who have achieved so much this year, in fact it is the best year for swimming outcomes we have had for a very long time. Now more than half of all

of our children in years 4, five and six are able to swim and know how to safely self-rescue. We will be using pop up pool next year also and look forward to further success.

Online Safety Reminder

Please remember to take care during weekends and holidays as well as evenings in the week for your children at home when they are using any devices. There are many dangers online that we need to protect our children from helping them to become more aware is extremely important. For more information, you may want to go to the following sites below.

- NSPCC: [Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)
- Childline: [Online safety | Childline](#)
- UK Safer Internet Centre: [Homepage - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

How supportive our school family is

We are so pleased to have the help from nurse Mahima, who visits our school regularly. She's able to work with many families and we were really pleased to hold a fussy eaters workshop this term. If you have any requests, please let myself or one of the team at school now.

As from these, you have supported us so well with workshops, coffee afternoons and much support in home learning.



We are looking forward to further entries for the sustainability writing competition where entries can be received until Monday 13th April. You may submit competition entries online until then to elevation@summitlearningtrust.org.uk

Summit Learning Trust Writing Journal
SUSTAINABILITY

You may submit writing in any form;

- Tell a story about somebody affected by climate change
- Craft a poem around the reduction of carbon emissions
- Produce a persuasive speech exploring why we should all have solar panels

Consider what aspects of sustainability most interest you and the best way you know to present that.

Entry Deadline: 9am on Monday 13th April 2026

Our 1st Edition

email your submission:
elevation@summitlearningtrust.org.uk

ELEVATION
Creative | Persuasive | Informative

A green poster for a writing journal. It features a yellow sun in the top left, a globe with leaves, and a white mountain range. The text is in various shades of green and blue. The word 'ELEVATION' is written in a stylized font at the bottom left.

Also we appreciate the reading you have done at home, please keep up the super effort to enthuse our children. We will be holding an event where the children will share a book they have read in the form of a poem or a song or a way that they choose themselves. This is so exciting especially as it is the national year of reading too. We are also very excited about the fact that our children will have new books in a newly refurbished library very, very soon!



Our Year 4 have been adventurous and brave, performing in front of a massive audience with singing an opera at The Rep Theatre. Their voices were beautiful, as were our parents and staff who had the opportunity to join in at this wonderful event.



I am so proud of our Year 6 children who attended Year 6 SATs revision club this holiday. They have done so well and we really appreciate families and staff who made this possible. Thank you.

Further information for you and your families



ERDINGTON ACADEMY **EASTER '26 HOLIDAY CAMP**

ERDINGTON ACADEMY
KINGSBURY ROAD

FREE PLACES
Tue 7th April - Fri 10th April
10am - 2pm
FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION TO YEAR 6

Sport & Physical activity
Arts & Crafts
Food workshops

FREE
For children who receive free school meals due to benefits
All staff have enhanced DBS checks & have experience working with children



Compass
Birmingham
Mental Health Support Teams



Helping your child with their fears and worries

A six session programme to help parents support children with their fears and worries.

What Does This Programme Look Like?

- # Six sessions in total on a weekly basis
- # This will be delivered with a LI-CBT trained therapist
- # These sessions can be delivered online or face to face at school

What is Covered?

- What are fears, worries and anxiety?
- How do fears develop in children? What keeps my child's fears and worries going?
- Setting goals
- Encouraging independence and 'having ago'
- A step-by-step approach to overcoming fears and worries
- Learning to problem-solve worries
- Managing physical symptoms of anxiety
- How to overcome worry

If you think your child could benefit from this support, please contact your school. Or you can make a referral to the service through our contact details below:



0121 227 8254



compass-uk.org



birminghamhst@compass-uk.org



SHOW YOUR LOVE FOR CRICKET!



COMPETITION

You can enter by showing why you love cricket or what you know about it! Some ideas are:

Hand in to your class teacher.



A fact file about a cricket player



A drawing of a cricket match.



Explanation of why I love cricket

PRIZE: GO TO EDGBASTON CRICKET GROUND TO WATCH A PROFESSIONAL MATCH IN MAY!



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SPRING SUMMER MENU 2026



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MENU KEY:
WEEK ONE	<p>Option One Macaroni Cheese</p> <p>Option Two Chicken Curry with Rice</p> <p>Sides Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Dessert NEW Banana Mousse</p>	<p>Chicken Hot Dog with Potato Wedges</p> <p>Mild Mexican Chili with Rice</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Orange Dizzle Cake</p>	<p>Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy</p> <p>Roasted Quorn, Roast Potatoes & Gravy</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Fruit Puffer</p>	<p>Spaghetti Bolognese</p> <p>Veg Burger with Wedges & Tomato Sauce</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Apple Fapjack</p>	<p>Fishfingers or Salmon Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce</p> <p>Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Strawberry Jolly with Mandarins</p>	<p>Whole grain</p>
WEEK TWO	<p>Option One Cheese & Tomato Pizzas with Summer Salad</p> <p>Option Two Vegetable Curry with Rice</p> <p>Sides Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Dessert Iced Vanilla Sponge</p>	<p>Beef Chili with Rice & Sweetcorn & Cucumber Salad</p> <p>Spaghetti & Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Peaches & Ice Cream</p>	<p>Roasted Chicken Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy</p> <p>Veg Wellington, Roast Potatoes & Gravy</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad</p>	<p>Chicken Pita with Hearty Rice, Tzatziki & Salad</p> <p>Cheese Whiz with Hearty Rice, Tzatziki & Salad</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Jam Sponge with Custard</p>	<p>Buttered Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce</p> <p>NEW Cheesy Broccoli Frittata with Chips</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Day Cookie</p>	<p>Pastry based</p> <p>Added plant protein</p>
WEEK THREE	<p>Option One Tomato Pasta</p> <p>Option Two NEW Chinese Vegetable Noodles</p> <p>Sides Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Dessert Pineapple Upside Down Cake</p>	<p>Beef Burger with Potato Wedges & Rainbow Salad</p> <p>Veggie Roll with New Potatoes & Rainbow Salad</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Cheese & Crackers</p>	<p>Roast of the Day, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy</p> <p>Vegetable Loaf with Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Fruit Medley</p>	<p>Spicy Shrimp's Chicken Curry with Rice</p> <p>All Day Vegetation Breakfast!</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Strawberry and Apple Cumble with Custard</p>	<p>Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce</p> <p>Cowboy Sausage and Bean Hotpot</p> <p>Vegetables of the Day</p> <p>Vanilla Strawberry</p>	<p>Chef's Special</p>

AVAILABLE DAILY: Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings, Salad Bar, Freshly Baked Bread, Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt

If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods, please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.

School Uniform – Is your child ready in school uniform?



Please remember that full school uniform is expected at all times. This includes bringing a waterproof coat every day, as we take the children outside during the day and our weather can be unpredictable.

Thank you to everyone who helps maintain such high standards of uniform. This is especially helpful when it comes to jewellery, which can be dangerous. Studs only are allowed for earrings.

Home Learning – One Small Step at a Time

You could help your child for a few minutes a day by:

- **Talking about what they are reading** – As it is the national year of Reading, it is even more important that we celebrate how important this is.
- **Keep it up with the basics:** We cannot underestimate the power of short bursts of home learning. Practising the following will help them:

Help & Support

If you need help with anything regarding your child's learning (e.g. class learning, homework, reading, etc) or experience in school, please speak with their class teacher.

If you need any support with:

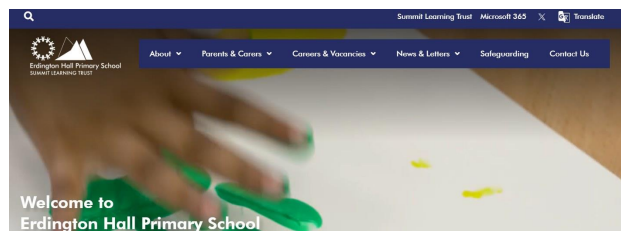
- Uniform or PE kit
- Trips, payments, or letters

Please contact Mrs Downes by enquiry@erdingtonhall.org.uk or pop into the school office to arrange an appointment.

We are here to help.

Contact & Support

School office: 0121 464 3122



School app / website: [Homepage - Erdington Hall Primary](#)




Class Dojo via www.classdojo.com

Translation support available – please ask at the school office for advice

FURTHER SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Help for Parents, Carers, Children & Young People

NEED URGENT HELP?

-  **Mental Health Support (24/7) 0121 262 3555**
-  **Emergency Call 999**

SUPPORT FOR PARENTS & CARERS

 **Mental Health & Family Support**

- 📞 24/7 Mental Health Helpline 0121 262 3555
- 🌐 Birmingham Children's Partnership Support for families and young people: [Birmingham Children's Partnership | Birmingham City Council](#)

🏠 Domestic Abuse Support

- 🌐 Birmingham and Solihull Women's Aid: [Homepage - Birmingham Solihull Women's Aid](#)
- 📞 0808 800 0028 (*Open daily 9:15am–5:15pm*)

👶 Child Protection Concerns

- 📞 Children's Services: 0121 303 1888

📞 Free, Confidential Support

- 📞 Childline 0800 1111 (24/7) ✓ Free ✓ Confidential ✓ Not shown on phone bills

🟩 👶 SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

💬 TALK TO SOMEONE

- 💻 Kooth Online chat & support (ages 10–25): [Home - Kooth](#)
- 📞 Samaritans 116 123 (24/7) and online: [Contact Us | Samaritans](#)
- 📱 Shout Text SHOUT to 85258 (24/7)

🧠 MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

- 📞 HOPELINEUK 0800 068 4141 Text: 07860 039967
- 🌐 YoungMinds Advice and resources online: [Mental Health Support For Young People | YoungMinds](#)
- 🌐 Compass online: [Compass Birmingham MHST - Compass](#)

💛 SPECIALIST SUPPORT

- 💬 Alumina (Ages 10–17) online [Alumina | Selfharm](#)
- 🗣️ SEED [Home - SEED | Eating Disorders Support Service %](#)
- 💙 CALM 0800 585858 (5pm–midnight) or online: [Suicide Prevention Charity | Campaign Against Living Miserably](#)

 **FIND HELP NEAR YOU**

-  **Hub of Hope Find local services**

 **NEED TO TALK TO SCHOOL (DURING TERM TIME)?**

-  **Speak to a trusted adult in school**

  **REMEMBER**

✓ You are not alone ✓ Help is available 24/7 ✓ It's okay to ask for help

  **WE ARE HERE TO HELP DURING TERM TIME**

If you need support, please speak to:

- Your child's teacher
- The school office

 **Translation support available**