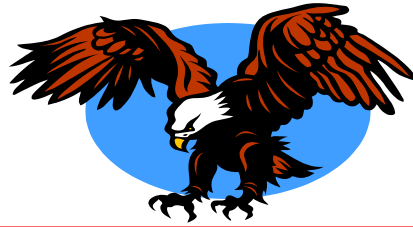


# EAGLEY



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## Newsletter

Friday 7 September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please allow me to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new head teacher of Eagley Junior School. Having previously worked at Eagley Juniors as a class teacher from 1999-2007, I feel very excited and privileged to return to such a fantastic school community filled with amazingly talented and committed staff and children. I am looking forward to working with you all over the forthcoming years to ensure your child is safe, happy, engaged and challenged during their time with us.

I am passionate about teaching and learning, having taught in all year groups from Reception to Year 6 and have high expectations of all children. I am fully committed to the broad, opportunity-rich curriculum that Mrs Wilkinson and the staff have worked so hard to build over many years and will strive to ensure that school continues to support your child in flourishing within and beyond the classroom.

As a school, we want to work in partnership with parents and carers and see two-way communication as essential to this aim. I would therefore encourage you to come and speak with myself or any member of staff if you have any information, query or concern - no matter how small - that may affect your child. We aim to be as accessible as possible in order to facilitate this. However, as I'm sure you are aware; there may be times, as busy people, when it is more appropriate to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet to discuss things in greater depth.

As a community school, I would strongly urge you to become as involved with school as is practical for you. I am sure that there are a great many parents/carers (and grandparents!) within our community who could practically support school in any number of ways. Any skill, hobby, interest or experience you have may help to support a child or class in school - please don't 'hide your light under a bushel'!

One way it is possible to further support school is through our Parents' Association. All parents and carers are welcome to attend. It is a great opportunity to meet other parents and for you to be involved in the planning and organising fund raising events for the children and school. If you would like to attend the next meeting on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm in the school staffroom, please email our PA Chair Helena Yates on [hjyatesuk@gmail.com](mailto:hjyatesuk@gmail.com).

Finally, I would like to reiterate my desire in ensuring your child is provided with the best possible care and education whilst at Eagley Juniors and I look forward to working together towards that end.

Mathew Taylor

### Clubs Next Week:

### Letters sent home this week:

Clubs for the term  
Y6 Whitby letter  
Data Collection forms  
Turton Open Day Y6

# Welcome Back!

## Data Collection Forms

Data Collection Forms will be coming home shortly for Y4, 5 and 6. Please check them, sign the relevant pages and send it all back to school by Monday 17th September.

## Dinner Money

The dinner money for this half term will be £47.60 for Y3, 4 & 5. Y6 dinner money will be £43.40 as they will be on the Whitby trip for 3 days. If you pay weekly for your child's dinners, meal payments are due every Friday for the following week. Payments can be made online, cash or cheque. Failure to keep up with meal payments may result in school meals being withdrawn.

## Agora

The school uses an online payment system. With this you can keep a track of payments to school including school dinners and residential trips, all from the convenience of your own home. Originally there was a fee to make a payment, but there are no longer any transaction fees so we are inviting all parents to create an account. Parents will require a Microsoft e-mail account to set up and an activation code. Parents in Y3 will be sent the activation codes shortly, parents from other years who have not already set themselves up can enquire for a new activation code.

## Free School Meals

Parents who are entitled to certain benefits may also be entitled to free school meals. If this is claimed it would also bring in much needed funding to the school which would help pay towards things such as future trips, and music lessons. Please see the attached letter to see if you might be entitled, and if so contact the benefits office via the website [www.bolton.gov.uk/](http://www.bolton.gov.uk/) and choose the links for Free School Meals.

## Clubs

Children have now had the opportunity to collect letters for almost all clubs and should return the slips of the ones they want to attend before Wednesday. The only club that we have been unable to send more information about at the moment is Tennis. All children will have a taster session run by the tennis coach during school hours next week and will then be given letters if they wish to take one. These letters will need returning by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September, with the club then due to start the following Friday (21<sup>st</sup>).

## Diary Dates

Our Parents' Diary Dates are attached to this newsletter. They will also be attached to future newsletters. Although we try to be as organised as we can, sometimes we have to change dates or times or add information. Please try to check the most recent newsletter should you need any confirmation of dates.

## **Turton Y6 Open day**

Due to Turton's Y6 Open day clashing with the Y6 Whitby trip, a separate date has been arranged for Eagley Juniors on Tuesday 2nd October. Please see the letter that came home this week for more details.

## **Music lessons**

If you have signed your child up for music lessons with Bolton Music Service, the music lessons will be starting in school next week. Monday will be for *Woodwind, Piano and Guitar*, Tuesday will be for *Brass, Strings, Guitar and Bass*. Wednesday for *Cello* and Thursday for *Percussion*.

## **Telephone Messages**

To help our office run smoothly, can we please remind parents that we can only pass on urgent messages to children. It is helpful if you try to organise after school arrangements before the start of the school day to ensure your child knows what they are doing and who they are meeting when the bell goes at 3.35pm.

## **Parent Governor Vacancy**

There is currently a vacancy for a Parent Governor in school. If you would like to apply, please contact the school office for a nomination form. These will need to be returned to the head teacher by 4pm on Monday 1st October 2018.

## **Trim Trail**

Our 'trim trail' is now open for use! The children will be able to access it in school at playtimes on a rota basis with extra sessions available for classes and children with the best attendance, behaviour at playtimes and effort in class. Please ensure that you supervise your children if you let them use the equipment before school starts or at the end of the school day.

## Diary Dates

Date	Time	
6 Sept	11:15 am	Bolton Music Service concert for pupils
12 Sept	All day	Tennis Taster Sessions for all classes (tbc)
13 Sept	4pm	Y5/6 Cross Country 1 @ Moss Bank Park
17 Sept	7:00 pm	PA meeting at school
20 Sept	4pm	Y5/6 Cross Country 2 @ Moss Bank Park
22-23 Sept		Bolton Pride Weekend
25 Sept	5:00 pm– 7:30 pm	Turton Open Evening for Y6
25-28 Sept		Whitby residential for Y6
27 Sept	4pm	Y5/6 Cross Country 3 @ Moss Bank Park
27 Sept	3:35 pm	Parents' drop-in
1 Oct	9:30 – 1130 am	Shakespeare Workshop for Y6
2 Oct	9.15–10.10	Turton Y6 Open Morning
4 Oct	4pm	Y5/6 Cross Country 4 @ Moss Bank Park
11 Oct	3:35 pm	Parents' drop-in
12 Oct	All day	Year 3 Chester Trip – Grosvenor Museum
17 Oct	9:15 – 9:30 am	6J assembly for parents
18 Oct	7 pm – 8:30 pm	Autumn Disco
Half term		
29 Oct	All day	Staff Training Day – school closed
8 Nov	3:45 - 7:00 pm	Parents Evening
21 Nov	9:15 – 9:30 am	3DW assembly for parents
21 Nov		Andy Briggs author visit
22 Nov	3:35 pm	Parents' drop-in
5 Dec	9:15 – 9:30 am	4B assembly for parents
13 Dec	3:35 pm	Parents' drop-in
17 Dec		Y3/4 Party day
18 Dec		Y5/6 Party day
18 Dec		Autumn Term Reports
21 Dec	1:45 pm	Christmas assembly: School closes c. 2:30 pm
Christmas holidays		

