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## Co-Headteachers' Message

It has been a busy week for our Year 6 children who have completed their final trial-run of the SATs week. The purpose is to leave the children feeling far more confident and relaxed when it comes to the real thing later this month. It is an opportunity to rehearse the feelings of doing the tests and to be proud of how much knowledge they have as they receive individual feedback from their teachers. It also gives the rest of the school some practice in supporting them by being extra quiet around the corridors. We are all very proud of how well each of them has risen to the challenge as well as demonstrating support for each other.

Our children in Year 6 have also been completing their Level two Bikeability - and in all weather! The children have worked hard to develop their skills and confidence. They have been fantastic role models and fully embraced this experience.

As we write, our Year 1 children are currently enjoying a trip to the Lookout Centre in Bracknell and our Year 4 Girls and Boys are taking part in a football tournament. We look forward to sharing some pictures and more about these opportunities on our Facebook page.

A reminder that school is closed on Monday due to the Bank holiday and will reopen on Tuesday 7th May. We hope you all enjoy the long weekend.

Mrs. Buqembe & Miss Oakley

## Staff News

At the end of this academic year, Miss Moore will be leaving Echelford to work in a school closer to her home. We know this hasn't been an easy decision for Miss Moore but we know that her new school will be very lucky to have her.

## Lost Property

A reminder that any lost property is in our Community Room and this can be accessed at the start and end of each day. There are a large number of coats which must be missing their owner! If you are missing something, please do come and take a look.

## Year 6 Senior School Transition

The transition for Year 6 children is underway with teachers in communication with secondary schools to ensure information is being shared to support every child's ongoing educational success. If your child will be attending a different senior school to the one they were allocated on national offer day by Surrey Admissions, please email the office to confirm the new school.

## Pupil Data Collection

We are no longer sending home the pupil data sheet for parents to check and amend. If there are any changes that need to be made, please ensure you complete the Change of Contacts form which can be found on our website under Parents - Online forms.



## Nut Free School

We would like to remind you that Echelford is a nut free school. Please do not give your child any food that contains nuts. This includes Nutella, pesto, cereal bars, peanut butter, chicken satay etc. If you are unsure, we would be grateful if you could check the ingredients before you pack their lunches.

## Healthy Snack for Break Time

All children are welcome to bring a healthy snack to school to eat during their break time. These should be in as little packaging as possible because we're also keen to reduce our use of plastics (e.g. no bear yoyos or fruit winders).

These snacks are limited to:

- Fresh Fruit
- Fresh Vegetables
- Dried Fruit
- Plain rice cakes
- Bread sticks
- Yoghurt tube
- Plain crackers
- Pitta bread or Wraps (with no filling)

If children come into school with something that is not on the list, it will be sent back home. No cutlery should be brought in. A reminder that only Reception and Key Stage 1 children are provided daily fruit or vegetables as part of the Government scheme.

## Inclement Weather

Whilst the weather is still temperamental, can we please ask you to provide a coat for your child to wear at break and lunchtime if needed.

**Secondary**

**Thinking of a career in teaching?**

**Primary**

**QTS only £8250    QTS with PGCE £9250**

Would you like to train in a school in **your** local community?  
Do you want to find out more?

Come and chat to one of the team at:

**The Echelford Primary School** (Park Road, Ashford, Middlesex, TW15 1EX)  
on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May**, any time between **1.30pm and 4.30pm**

How do I apply?

How do I find a school?

Can I train close to home?

What programme is right for me?

Do I need experience?

Am I eligible?

What finance options are available?

visit [www.ssfscitt.org.uk](http://www.ssfscitt.org.uk) ('information events') or email [scitt@sfet.org.uk](mailto:scitt@sfet.org.uk)



## Vacancies within the Trust

### **Darley Dene Primary School in Addlestone is recruiting** - are you ambitious and keen to make a difference?

We are seeking to appoint a highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individual for the role of Teaching Assistant. This is an opportunity for an individual who is patient and emotionally resilient to join our friendly, inclusive and inspirational team of teaching and support staff. For more information please see: <https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1419247>

**Saxon Primary School is recruiting** - Do you have a passion for Early Years teaching? We are extending our provision to include a Nursery. This is an exciting development that will enable us to provide Early Education places to children aged 2 to 4 years prior to their entry to school. We are looking to recruit a Nursery Manager, Deputy Nursery Manager and Early Years Teaching Assistant to work in our Nursery, who is not afraid to immerse themselves in the children's play. We are looking for someone who can be flexible and support learning in a creative way. For more information on these roles please see:

Nursery Manager <https://www.eteach.com/job/nursery-manager-1417884>

Deputy Nursery Manager <https://www.eteach.com/job/deputy-nursery-manager-1417893>

Nursery Teaching Assistant <https://www.eteach.com/job/nursery-teaching-assistant-1417896>

## Achievements outside of school

If your child would like to celebrate success within the school community, please inform your class teacher or the office staff of your news. Along with the Newsletter, we will display any sports achievement photos and information on our 'Sports Shout Outs' board in the gym.

Well done to Jackson in 6W who took part in his very first martial arts tournament. He came 2nd place, winning the silver medal in his forms and came first place winning the gold medal in free fighting. Congratulations Jackson on this amazing achievement.



Congratulations to Cameron in 6W who has been selected to play for the Under 11's England National Ice Hockey Team. Cameron has been training relentlessly over the last 18 months to reach and even surpass his goals. Well done Cameron on this incredible achievement.

Well done to Matilda in 6H who was part of the Reeds Rebel team that won the rugby U12s Surrey Cup Finals last Sunday, beating an unbeaten Barnes side 6 - 5. Matilda received player of the match; an amazing achievement as she was playing in the age group above her actual age! Congratulations to Matilda and her team on this fantastic achievement.



Congratulations to Samuel in 4EJ who was awarded 'Most Improved Player' by his rugby team this season. Well done Samuel on this amazing achievement.





## Class Learning Awards

The following classes were this week's winners, working as a team whilst using our curriculum online resources. Well done!



**Class: 3DT**



**Class: 2W**

## Green Values Award

Every week, an award is presented to a child in each class for embodying one of our Green Values. Congratulations to those children who have represented one of our values so brilliantly this week.

RG	Jack	RL	Liahna	RO	Freya A
1A	Darcie	1C	Ivy	1H	Luca
2A	Teeyan	2B	Maximillian	2W	Bhavik
3DT	Willow-Rae	3H	Ava	3S	All of 3S
4EJ	Freddie	4M	Gurbej	4S	Harley
5B	Niharika	5G	Amber	5W	Ethan
6H	Summer P	6J	Sienna	6W	Henry

## Gold Leaf Achievers

Every week, we celebrate those children awarded a Gold Leaf this week for their effort and achievement in their learning.

Isabelle S, Savanna H, Deyal K, Aahana S, Louie H, Jack E, Blake B, Sara S, Beau S, Ema F, Holly T, Jian S, Emilia R, Bentley V, Sophia H, Liahna D, Nova D, Meera U, Holly T, Cherish T, Octavia B, Rheya B, Tom B, Jessica P, Elsie D, Leo J, Max T, Albert M, Hallie F, Sienna H, Willow B, Jeshvik N, Grayson Bi, Laksh K, Savannah P, Theodore C, Finley J, Sienna S, Luca I, Logan P, Amber M, Elsie Da, Jessica J, Aekambeer S, Oscar C, Sydney H, Grace P, Zach H, Isla R, Jason K, Ellie P, Aubrey B, Jackson D, Kesar R, Amelia S, Muhammed M, Nathaniel L, Elvy L, Myra S, Grace N, Ayaan H, Hassan A, Owen J, Jaxon B, Aizah M, Sienna H, Robyn C, Vidhaan S, Kaira G, Jude H, Teddy J, Reggie C, Frankie C, Ali S, William G, Elliot P, Sukhpreet T, Levi-Rose M, Elia D, Isobel P, Alex T, Skylar W, Iommi J, Tiffany B, Zack F, Zunairah A, Freddie W, Cody N, Karam G, Elsie-Jayne W, Bessie G, Karma T, Finley M, Charlie E, Daisy A, Chloe M, Mannat K, Darcie G, Darcy H, Eddie C, Henry H, Evie S, Damian T, Caitlin M, Ava R, Lyla R, Freya M and Shrey M.

**On behalf of the Echelford Primary staff team, we wish you a pleasant weekend.**



# Families<sup>®</sup> Magazines

More than 4 million parents a year rely on us to get the best out of local family life!

Our latest magazine is out and here is the [link of Families Upon Thames Magazine May/June 2024](#).

Our **May/June 2024** issue is packed full of useful information for parents including:

- What's On – local events and activities for families in May and June
- Learn about time activity book downloadable
- Summer Camps
- Help with multiplication and division
- and much more.....

Are you worried about how they are feeling?

**DECREASING DEPRESSION**

**FREE TALK**



**May 14th 7-8pm**

Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE gives a one hour online talk explaining what we can do to reduce the symptoms of depression.  
Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](https://facefamilyadvice.co.uk) go to **PARENT** page

May 2024  
**Newsletter**

CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers.  
**National Standards CPD accredited sessions**  
All sessions booked & delivered online via [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](https://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Thursday 2 May 19:00 - 21:00 £24		<b>Anxiety Explained</b> Anxiety, especially in our young is rising. This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.
Monday 13 May 19:00 - 21:00 £24		<b>Autism: Improving Communication</b> Small changes can lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.
Monday 20 May 19:00 - 21:00 £24		<b>Understanding the Teenage Brain</b> Improve your understanding and communication with your teen. Why they think, feel and behave very differently from adults.
Tuesday 21 May 19:00 - 21:00 £24		<b>Raising Self-Esteem</b> How to support healthy self-esteem in your children and yourself. Easy to apply interventions shared.

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