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Monday 2nd September 2019

Welcome back to a new school year. We hope that you enjoyed the summer break. It was great to see all the children returning to school this morning full of excitement and enthusiasm. It was also lovely to see our new pupils arriving for their first day in Discovery class – we look forward to getting to know them much more of the coming weeks.

You will have noticed there have been adjustments made to the building to accommodate one of our new pupils this year. We have reminded the children in assembly this morning to be mindful of these changes and ensure they are sensibly behaved around them – particularly the new ramps. We ask that you reiterate this message to your children also please. Thank you.

Starting a new school year can be daunting for many pupils let alone those that may be starting at Eythorne Elvington for the very first time. If you wish to talk to a member of staff we are always visible on the playground at the end of the school day or you can call around to the classroom before morning registration.

We like to hit the ground running at the start of a new year and so all areas of the curriculum will be on the timetable immediately. With this in mind, please ensure that children have a full PE kit with them in school. Ideally, this will be in school every day so that if needed – depending on the weather – adjustments to when PE is taught can be made. All children should have a House PE T-Shirt as part of their kit. For those starting in EYFS today, please contact the office about these.

It is important that children bring water bottles into school on a daily basis. We ask that only water is contained in these bottles. If for any medical reason this needs discussing please contact the class teacher.

Next week, the teachers will be hosting “Meet the Teacher” sessions. The idea behind these is to allow you the chance to ask any questions around what is going to be happening between now and July 2020 for your child. It is also a good time for teachers to outline their expectations of the children and explain ways we can work together between school and home to get the most out of your child.

Coming home later on this week will be a termly overview. These are particular to each class and explain all the areas of learning being covered within the first term. It will also incorporate how our three core drivers for the school – Diversity, Initiative and Possibilities – are to be interwoven throughout the teaching and learning. You will also be provided with some “Home Learning” opportunities to carry out with your child to continue their development away from school. Should you need any further explanation on these or support with them, please speak with your child’s class teacher.

A reminder, at the end of the school day, children from Discovery and Voyager class should be collected by an adult from the infant playground. For those children in Years 3 to 6 – they should be collected from the junior playground.

Information about clubs for Term One will be coming home this week – these will start as always in the second week of term (week commencing Monday 9th September) and will run until the second to last week of term (week commencing Monday 7th October). Clubs will last for two terms this year so as to allow children to become fully immersed in the activity that they choose.

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DATES FOR 2019/20

Mon 2 Sept	Start of Term One
Mon 9 Sept	Meet The Teacher: Voyager and Endeavour
Tue 10 Sept	Meet The Teacher: Atlantis
Wed 11 Sept	Meet The Teacher: Challenger
Thu 12 Sept	Kent Test
Fri 20 Sept	Y6 Mtg re Secondary Applications
Fri 4 Oct	Harvest Festival
Thu 10 Oct	Open Afternoon School Council Voting
14-18 Oct	Focus Week – ART/DT
Tue 15 Oct	Parents Evening
Thu 17 Oct	Parents Evening
Fri 18 Oct	Last Day of Term One
Mon 28 Oct	First Day of Term Two
Fri 1 Nov	Atlantis Assembly
Thurs 7 Nov	Challenger Assembly
Fri 15 Nov	Voyager Assembly
Tue 19 Nov	Open Evening for new parents 20/21
Fri 22 Nov	Endeavour Assembly
Fri 29 Nov	Decorations Morning
Wed 4 Dec	Pantomime
Fri 6 Dec	Christmas Fayre
Thur 12 Dec	Year 1and2 Nativity 9.15
Fri 13 Dec	Discovery Nativity 2.30
Mon 16 Dec	Class Parties
Tue 17 Dec	KS2 Carols to Parents in Church
Wed 18 Dec	Last Day of Term Two
Mon 6 Jan	Start of Term Three
Wed 22 Jan	Discovery STAY AND PLAY
10-14 Feb	Focus Week: MUSIC
Tue 11 Feb	Parents Evening
Thur 13 Feb	Parents Evening
Fri 14 Feb	Last Day of Term Three
Mon 24 Feb	Start of Term Four
Thurs 27 Feb	School Council Voting
Fri 28 Feb	Atlantis Assembly
Thur 5 Mar	Challenger Assembly
Tue 10 Mar	Discovery COME READ WITH ME
Fri 13 Mar	Voyager Assembly
Fri 20 Mar	Endeavour Assembly
Fri 27 Mar	Discovery Assembly
Wed 1 Apr	Easter Service in Church Last Day of Term Four
Thu 16 Apr	Start of Term 5
Tue 28 Apr	Discovery LEARN WITH ME
11-15 May	KS2 SATS
Tue 19 May	Parents Evening
Thur 21 May	Parents Evening New Entrants Meeting EYFS

Fri 22 May	End of Term Five
Mon 8 June	Start of Term 6
Fri 19 June	Atlantis Assembly
Thu 25 June	Challenger Assembly
Thur 2 July	Y6 Production
Fri 3 July	Voyager Assembly
6-10 July	Year 6 FRANCE
13-17 July	Focus Week: ACTIVITIES
Wed 15 July	Sports Day AM
Mon 20 July	Moving Up Afternoon
Wed 22 July	Last Day of Term Six

PTA EVENTS

To be announced here

STARS OF THE WEEK

Discovery:
Voyager:
Atlantis:
Challenger:
Endeavour:

TEAM POINTS

Betteshanger:
Chislet:
Snowdown:
Tilmanstone: