

Eldon Grove Academy

Potential is our Passion



Welcome Back

Welcome back to this exciting and busy half term. Lighter nights and warmer weather enable us to enjoy more of our activities outdoors. We are hoping we will be able to begin to see the start of some of our regular summer activities within our school community as some restrictions are hopefully being eased. As usual we will keep you up to date and fully informed with what we are able to carefully begin to plan and organise.

It was wonderful to speak to so many of you at Parent Consultations, either via telephone call or face to face on Microsoft Teams before Easter. This was a lovely opportunity to discuss your child's progress and next steps as we work with you to ensure your child continues to make great progress over the coming months. As always, we endeavour to work in partnership with you and if you wish to discuss any matter about your child at any point then please do not hesitate in making an appointment.

We would also like to express our thanks to parents and carers for wearing face coverings when on school grounds and for working with us to ensure that we are keeping children and adults safe.

Mrs Claire Martindale, Early Years Lead/Assistant Headteacher



Chair of Governors

I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the newly appointed **Chair of Governors** at Eldon Grove Academy. I have a background in education and am a former primary deputy headteacher. I currently work for the education charity Teach First where I train early career teachers across the North East of England.

I am looking forward to working with you and the staff to continue to make the school the very best it can be for the children who attend. I have been incredibly impressed by the commitment of the school staff in meetings so far and am looking forward to the time I can visit school and see your children in action.

Throughout the year you will receive Governor updates about the work that we are doing in collaboration with school and I hope you find this informative. We are also looking forward to gathering parental views to help shape our work going forward.

On behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for the support you have shown the staff during the recent period of school closure and these messages were very much appreciated.

Victoria Kelly, Chair of Governors

Donations

At this time of year we are hoping to make our Nursery/Reception outdoor environment look bright and colourful with plants. If you would like to donate a plant or two please pass them on to a class teacher. Thank you.

COVID 19 Measures

Anyone displaying the following symptoms should stay at home and must not enter the school premises:

- A high temperature.
- A new continuous cough.
- A loss of, or change to, a person's sense of smell or taste.

Reminders

Please remember:

- Water only in bottles (no juice).
- Names in ALL clothing.
- School PE kit to be worn to school on the day your child has PE.
- Reading books need to be in school each day.

Key Dates

22nd April - Reception Vision Tests.
3rd May - Bank Holiday.
28th May - Break up for half term (last day in school).
7th June - Return to school.