



**Be happy
Be successful
Be proud
Be Bankfields**

Key Dates for next term:

- **Monday 8th April - PD Day. School is closed to all children.**
- **Week commencing 13th May - Year 6 SATs week.**
- **Week commencing 3rd June - Y4 Multiplication Tables Check.**
- **Week commencing 10th June - Y1 Phonics Screening.**
- **Week commencing 17th June - sports week.**
- **Wednesday 19th June 10am - Reception and KS1 sports day.**
- **Thursday 20th June at 10am - Year 3/4 sports day.**
- **Thursday 20th June 1:15pm - Year 5/6 sports day.**
- **Monday 1st July - Annual reports sent to parents/carers.**
- **Friday 12th July - Summer Fair from 3:30pm.**
- **Friday 19th July. School closes to the children for the summer holidays.**
- **Monday 22nd July - PD Day. school closed to all children.**

Easter Newsletter 2024

Spring Term Update

This term has gone by very quickly and we've seen the children continue to make excellent progress. We have enjoyed lots of visits and visitors across school:

- Y1 attended the Snappy Easter event with other schools.
- Y2 enjoyed a visit from Kirk-leatham Owl Centre.
- Reception learnt more about Eston 100 years ago on their local visit.
- Y4 learnt more about the Hindu religion with a visit to the Hindu Cultural Society.
- Year 3 visited Christchurch Eston as part of their RE work and study of Christianity.
- Lots of children attended sporting events throughout the term, and we are grateful to the School Sports Partnership for the many opportunities they offer our pupils.

Artsmark Award—Gold

We are incredibly proud to have been awarded the Gold Artsmark Award in recognition of the arts, creativity and culture that is embedded across our curriculum.

NSPCC Speak Out. Stay Safe.

All of the children in KS1 and KS2 have accessed the NSPCC Speak Out. Stay Safe. assemblies and sessions in class this week. The programme aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline.



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Table Tennis Success

Congratulations to Mindy, Mila and Evie from Year 5 as they have qualified for the National Table Tennis Finals on Sunday 28th April. Evie will also be competing in the singles competition on Saturday 27th. The girls will be travelling to Wolverhampton to compete against other schools and they have done incredibly well to get this far in the competition. We wish them the very best of luck!

Mobile Phones in School

Please can we remind parents and carers that no pupil mobile phones are allowed in school at all. If a child accidentally forgets and their phone is left in their bag or pocket, it must be taken to the school office immediately and stored safely. Pupils must not use their mobile phones on school premises/grounds—this includes before or after school.

Outstanding Payments

If you have any outstanding payments on ParentMail, including dinner money and breakfast club, please can you ensure that these are paid as soon as possible. Any outstanding payments have to be paid from the school budget which takes away from the provision we are able to offer the children. If you are struggling to make any payments, please speak to school so that we can discuss how we can support you with this.

Spirit of the Games

In Spring Term, the values we have been exploring through our sports are Passion and Honesty. We are proud to say that these are traits many of our pupils demonstrate when playing sport and their dedication shines through. We are incredibly proud of all of the children who represent our school in a variety of sporting events from football, cross country to table tennis. Our pupils always show incredible sportsmanship and great talent. We also know that many of our children are incredibly successful at sport outside of school. If you would like to share any photos, trophies or medals so that we can celebrate with your child, please bring them to the school office.



Usborne Sponsored Read

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Usborne sponsored reading event. We have raised an incredible £1638 to spend on new books for school.



Artsmark Gold Award Awarded by Arts Council England



Get quick and reliable NHS advice about your children's health.

Healthier Together is a locally-developed NHS resource, providing clear and reliable healthcare advice for parents and carers all in one place on a regional website and app. Healthier Together uses a simple 'traffic light' system based on the symptoms of common childhood illnesses and other conditions, and advises where and how to seek help if required.

Healthier Together can help you to make informed decisions about accessing the right local healthcare service for your baby or child. If you are unsure whether your child needs to be seen by a doctor, the easy-to-follow guidance on Healthier Together will ease worry and ensure you are signposted to the best service to provide help, such as a pharmacy or GP, or to self-care at home. You can also be reassured that if your child does need to be seen by a health professional urgently, you will be directed to the most appropriate local service.

If you are unsure whether your child should be attending school or their usual childcare setting during a period of illness, [you can visit this page](#) for advice on a range of common conditions. Healthier Together also uses Recite Me to translate the information into different languages and provides a range of accessibility tools.

The Healthier Together mobile app can be found in the [Apple App Store](#) and the [Google Play Store](#) so **download it today** ready to use when you might need it.

Healthier Together: what people say

"This website is fantastic. I'm in a WhatsApp group with school mums who always ask questions about these things, and nobody knows the answer or where to go for it. Amazing resource"

"Brilliant! Simple, reassuring and helpful. Thank you"

"It's like a mini doctor for you at home. That's how it is, that's how I see it!"

[Explore Healthier Together and download the app at www.nenc-healthiertogether.nhs.uk/](#) and find us on Facebook [facebook.com/healthiertogetherNENC](#) for up to date health information.



As we near the end of the Spring Term, we hope that you all have a lovely break over the Easter Holidays. We look forward to welcoming all of the children back into school on **Tuesday 9th April 2024**.