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Dear Parents,

The start of the school year has got off to a very positive start. The children have returned ready to learn and behaviour has been excellent across the school. Please ensure that your child arrives to school on time (before the gates close at 8.40am), so that they do not miss any of their phonics or reading lessons.

## **Welcome Meetings**

All parents have been invited to meet their child's class teacher and find out about the year ahead. This will also give you an opportunity to meet the new Year Leaders:

- Year 1 Miss Pieroni
- Year 2 Miss Curtis
- Year 3 Miss Stares
- Year 4 Miss Slater
- Year 5 Mrs Patel
- Year 6 Mr Ore

#### **Awards**

We are delighted that over the summer holidays the school was awarded three Gold Awards for:

• Art & counce

• Sport



Emotional Wellbeing

This is in addition to the Gold Award for Science that we achieved in September 2022. These awards reflect the excellent quality of our curriculum and the focus we have on ensuring that the children receive a broad and balanced education.

### **Congratulations**

I am sure you will join me in congratulating Miss Winston and Miss Balogun. Miss Winston represented Great Britain in the Para Swimming World Championships in August. Her best performance was in breaststroke where she achieved  $4^{\rm th}$  place. Miss Balogun has also been selected to represent Great Britain in the Masters World Athletics championships this month. What amazing role models we have at Eastbury!

# Eastbury Primary School

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### **Free School Meals**

A reminder that all primary school children from reception to year 6 are now entitled to free school meal. Please see the link for the menu choices <a href="https://www.eps.barking-dagenham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Spring-Summer-2023.pdf">https://www.eps.barking-dagenham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Spring-Summer-2023.pdf</a> If you need any further information please contact the school office.

### **Parent Survey**

Thank you for completing our annual parent survey in July. We really do value your feedback. Parents were very positive about:

- how happy their child was
- the progress they have made
- the range of subjects that are taught

You also shared that you would like more extracurricular clubs, which we are exploring.

Please see some of the comments below:

- "We have had great teachers every year who genuinely care about my child's development both educationally and emotionally. I have had a good parent teacher relationship with every teacher and feel like the school's goals align with mine".
- "I am incredibly happy with the education that my girls are receiving. I also love the variety of school trips, activities and performances they get to experience".
- "The help, support and encouragement given by the staff at this school has been great".

# Safety of the School Building (Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete RAAC)

You will have seen on the news that schools across the country have been forced to close due to the presence of RAAC. I would like to reassure parents that Partnership Learning Trust undertook a full survey of Eastbury Primary School and established that **no RAAC was found** in the construction of the building. The government website lists all the schools which have been affected: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/list-of-education-settings-with-confirmed-raac-published">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/list-of-education-settings-with-confirmed-raac-published</a>

Best wishes

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