

NEWSLETTER



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It has been great seeing children starting the Summer Term with so much positivity. Over Easter we were very busy continuing to make improvements to the school. As we have been increasing the number of laptops and ipads available to children, we have been able to be far more effective with the space used - this has enabled us to regenerate the room previously used for computing into a great learning space for interventions and group work. We have also improved the internet capabilities, meaning children's computing sessions run more smoothly. You have probably noticed some of our new areas on playground, our Chill Zone and Express Yourself boards have been introduced to provide children with more choices at break and lunch times. As always, we continue to move forward ensuring we are providing our children with the best resources possible to help them progress.

Parents' Evening

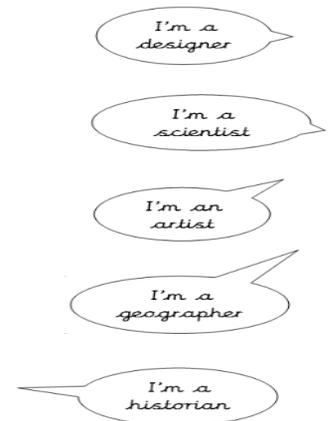
We have now been successful in setting up our virtual Parent's Evening system. You will shortly be receiving details on the date and logistics of this, it will provide a welcomed opportunity for teachers to speak to you about your child's progress.

Holidays

We understand that holiday plans have been disrupted over the last year, however as a school our stance on holidays during term time does remain the same. If you have any questions or queries about this, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Big Questions - Our Curriculum

Our curriculum focuses on Big Questions which enables children to make connections between each subject and area they study. Our children are making fantastic progress with this, being able to discuss their learning and using it to make informed decisions and opinions. We pride ourselves on the broad curriculum we deliver, ask your child if they can match the characters below (that they use in the classroom) to the correct statement and tell you what they have been upto in each subject!



Skills Builder



Skills Builder has been a fantastic way to teach children 'learning skills' this year. Their knowledge of different skills and how to use them effectively has improved greatly. Each week, a child from each class is awarded a certificate for showing these important particular skill - our skill this week has been '**leadership**' and next week we will revisit '**listening**'.

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Reading

Reading is a vital life skill and one which we value very highly at Edenham. In EYFS and KS1 we use phonics to build up the children's ability to decode words. As children move through KS2 they become more independent with their reading and work towards developing their knowledge of authors and genres, becoming familiar with different texts and selecting books that they enjoy reading. Throughout KS2 daily Guided Reading sessions teach children a variety of skills to enable them to become all round readers. To do this we use VIPERS to identify individual skills. No matter the age or ability of your child, it is so important to hear them read and discuss the texts they are reading to enable them to develop a love of reading.

Reading Vipers

Vocabulary
Infer
Predict
Explain
Retrieve
Sequence or Summarise

