



**Edmondsley Primary
and
Nursery School
12/06/17**

Outdoor Play and Learning

So ... what *are* we learning?



Language and Literacy – Spoken language

- Learning to justify ideas with reasons
- Asking questions to check understanding
- Negotiating, evaluating and building on the ideas of others.

(p. 11 National Curriculum 2014)

Den Day Friday 16th March

We are looking forward to welcoming you on Friday morning from 10:00 till 12:00. Please can parents who have confirmed their attendance enter via the main entrance into our hall. Your child(ren) will then escort you to your designated Den building area. Please note, children will be separated into their 'Castle' groups so siblings can work together.

We would be most grateful if every child can bring a peg and some sort of sheet (either an old bed sheet, ground sheet, tarpaulin etc) to school on Friday.

We are hoping the weather will be kind to us and it will remain at least dry. If weather is too wet, then you will be notified by text that the occasion has been cancelled. Mrs Webb will be organising hot drinks outside for adults at 12:00.

Found Property

We have a mountain of jumpers and other found property in school. Please come along to our school hall to collect what is yours.

Projected Pupil Numbers for September 2017-2018 and class sizes.

Year 6 = 27

Year 5 = 24

Year 4 = 25

Year 3 = 24

Total number of children in Key Stage 2 = 100

Key Stage 2 is made up of four year groups. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. We have three classrooms to teach these four year groups in. Therefore, like many schools, classes operate with mixed year groups in them. For example, one class may have Year 3 and Year 4 children in it, another having Year 5 and Year 6 children in it. As in previous years, our highly professional teachers consider various factors to decide which class your child should be part of.

	Year 6	Year 5	Year 4	Year 3	Total in class
Stags	27	6			33
Deers		18	15		33
Rabbits			10	24	34

Please see page 5 of our Governing Body's Summer Term Newsletter <https://is.gd/POBbeh> or <https://is.gd/PQhx5c> for further information.

You will receive a letter week beginning 26th June telling you which class your child will be part of.

Welcome to Miss Smith, our new Nursery Teacher in September



Hello, my name is Laura Smith and I am thrilled to have been given the opportunity to join the Early Years team at Edmondsley Primary and Nursery School. After completing an undergraduate degree in Children and Young People, I worked for nearly four years as a Senior Nursery Nurse within a Montessori led setting. The Montessori ethos focuses on teaching children to become confident, independent and self-motivated learners through play and through the exploration of natural materials, this experience formed the basis of my teaching philosophy.

My love of Early Years care and education led me complete my teacher training with Gateshead 3-7 SCITT, specialising in the education of very young children. My induction year as a newly qualified teacher within a large 150 place Nursery School really has ignited my passion further.

My aim as Nursery Teacher is to provide a safe, warm and welcoming environment where children enjoy their experiences. I aim to create an environment that promotes exploration and independent learning, an environment that provokes thought and develops communication and language skills in all children. I have a love of outdoor learning and I believe that the effective use of the outdoor space is the key to a successful Early Years environment, providing valuable ways for young children to learn and practice the essential skills that they need in order to become confident, lifelong learners.

I am very excited about the year ahead and am looking forward to meeting and getting to know you all.

Laura Smith

Summer Term Dates

Dates in red are updates.

Summer Fayre	To be confirmed	
Children move to new Year Groups	Friday 30 th June	
End of Year Reports out	Week beginning 3 rd July	
Ukulele and guitar concert	Thursday 6 th July	Parents of children who play the guitar or Ukulele are invited to this concert. Please complete the form below so we can reserve seats for you.
Eco Presentation	Monday 10 th July	3:30 – 4:00
Sports Day Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	Thursday 13 th July (am)	9:00 – 10:00
Sports Day Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.	Thursday 13 th July (pm)	2pm – 3pm
Year 6 Leavers party	Thursday 13 th July	Venue and time to be confirmed
Reception New Starters Buddy picnic with current Year 5 children.	Monday 17 th July	Lunchtime
Foundation Stage Graduation Assembly (Reception family members invited only)	Monday 17 th July	2:45 – 3:10
Years 5 and 6 Summer Production	Tuesday 18 th July Wednesday 19 th July	2pm – 3pm 2pm – 3pm + Evening performance TBC Tickets for afternoon performances are available via Parent Pay. Tickets limited to two per family.
Whole School Picnic (family members invited, weather permitting)	Thursday 20 th July	12:00 – 1:00
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 21 st July	1:30
Last Teaching Day	Friday 21 st July	No after school club

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Ukulele and guitar concert Thursday 6th July

Name of child: _____

Please reserve (number of seats) _____