

NEWSLETTER

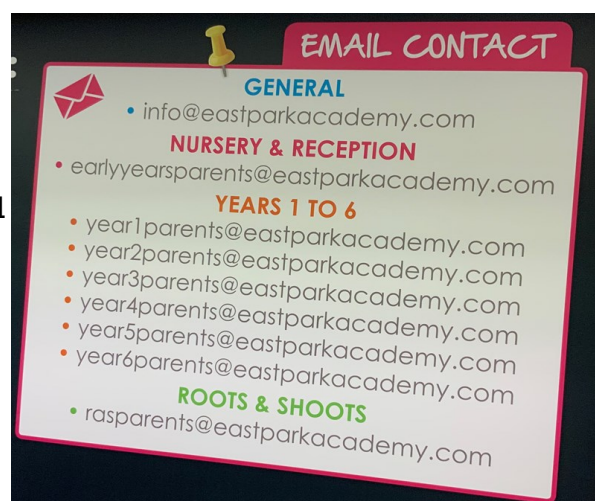


Communication with school

Our staff are always available for quick messages at the start and end of the school day however emails are another effective way to communicate with us here at East Park.

General school enquiries can be communicated to the office through Bromcom or via our general school email:
info@eastparkacademy.com

Specific enquiries about your child within their year group can be shared via our year group emails. They are checked daily by our year group leaders and we aim to respond within 24 hours of emails being received.



School office hours

Starting on Monday, our school office will now close each day at 4.30pm rather than at 5pm. If you need to contact school please use our [info@](mailto:info@eastparkacademy.com) email address or our year group emails.



After school clubs

School clubs for children in Years 1—6 will begin on Monday 19th September. Look out on Bromcom next week for information about the clubs that are on offer so that you can book a place for your child. Information will include the day of the week, the number of available places and where dismissal will be for each club. You will receive confirmation of the club/s that your child has received a place for.



Music lessons at East Park

All children in year 1 and 2 will now have the glockenspiel as their main instrument to use in their weekly music lessons. The focus is on gaining a deeper understanding of music on this instrument and learning it for longer will allow them to develop a solid technique. When they move on to Year 3, they will be able to transfer this knowledge to the keyboard. Miss Alexander, our music lead teacher, will be delivering the lessons over the next year to ensure maximum progress.



If you would like to purchase a similar instrument for your child to use at home the ones we use are:

Gear4Music £29.99

Link: <https://www.gear4music.com/Drums-and-Percussion/Glockenspiel-by-Gear4music/DTN>



We will also use:

- Chrome Music Lab (free online)
- Garage Band (Apple devices)
- Classroom instruments
- Body percussion

The children have a weekly 30-minute music assembly where they listen to music from throughout history, learn vocal skills, enjoy singing games and prepare a song to sing at praise assembly.

We hope that you enjoy seeing your child's musical journey unfold over the next few years. Miss Alexander is really excited to be part of it with them!

Her Majesty the Queen

Our school community would like to express our sadness at the news of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. Today, we have remembered fondly our school Platinum Jubilee celebrations and have given children opportunity to talk about this very sad moment for us all. St Matthew's Church will be open today from 9am until 9pm if any parents or children would like a quiet space in which to remember and light a candle.

