

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Epinay School breaks up for the summer holidays on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 1.30pm.

Pupils return to school on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015 at 8.50am

## REMEMBER TO STAY SAFE IN THE SUN

**\*put on a shirt\***      **\*put on sun-cream\***  
**\*wear sunglasses\***      **\*wear a sunhat\***  
**\*stay in the shade\***      **\*drink plenty of water\***

## EPINAY SCHOOL WEBSITE

There are lots of exciting new features to the school website, including calendar of events and news updates.

Please take a look.

[www.epinay.org](http://www.epinay.org)

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**Summer  
2015  
Newsletter**



**Welcome to our Summer 2015 newsletter . . .**

I would like to take this opportunity to look back over the school year and reflect on our achievements as a school, our pupils and our staff team.

We have had another successful review of Investors in People, we have been accredited with the Basic Skills quality mark and are working towards an ICT quality mark. We are also very pleased to continue supporting a wide range of charities and social ventures including our regulars; Macmillan Cancer Support, Children in Need, Comic Relief, Cancer Research UK and the Friends of Epinay School.

We have also continued to develop our curriculum partnerships with Bede's World, Dove Marine Laboratory, Dance City, the Customs House and we have continued to offer rock band, military and samba drumming.

We also have some exciting news for the September term, we have been working with Clervaux Exchange Business Centre (old Jarrow Police Station next door) and we will be sharing our innovative plans with you all in the new term. Some classes will have new rooms in Clervaux Exchange as well as having specialist areas.

Our pupils once again have enjoyed a range of activities, trips and residential including; overseas trip to France plus trips to Thurston, London, Edinburgh, Beamish Museum, Whitehouse Farm and Lightwater Valley. We are also lucky to have access to the fantastic facilities at Bede's World and the South Tyneside area. Our pupils have also loved taking part in national themes including; World book day, South Tyneside Magic Festival, Fairtrade Fortnight. These curriculum links enhance learning opportunities and widen our pupils' experiences and create memories that will be with them for a long time.

Congratulations to Mrs Campbell who gave birth to a gorgeous baby boy. We are very sad to see a couple of members of our team leaving the school. Mrs Andersen our excellent English and Keystage 2 teacher will be leaving but we are pleased to have Ms Dixon and Mrs Ferguson joining us. We also say goodbye to Jean Woodhead, Assistant Caretaker, Jean has been at the school for over 10 years and will be retiring. Good luck to you all.

We are already planning for another busy year ahead. In the meantime, I would like to wish you all a very happy and safe summer. Look forward to seeing you all

back on Thursday  
3<sup>rd</sup> September at 8.50am.



**Best wishes,  
Hilary Harrison,  
Head Teacher**



## SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

**A BIG THANK YOU** for all the help and support at  
**Epinay School's Summer Fayre on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July.**

We had lots of table tops, games, food and refreshments.  
We are pleased to announce the school raised a fantastic . . .

**£670 - Well done Epina**



We are also pleased to announce we  
have 10 runners taking part in this year's

**GREAT NORTH RUN  
on Sunday 13th September**

You can sponsor our runners via the school website -  
[www.epinay.org](http://www.epinay.org)

click on **THE BIG B** then - **see forthcoming events**

All our runners have their own fundraising page or you can  
make a donation to the school.

Did you know you can now make a donation using your mobile  
phone - text **EPIN41** £amount to **70070**

Good luck to our runners: Colin Becke, Dianne Mountain,  
Jamie Lauder, Kate Simpson, David Meikle, Melanie Soutar,  
Craig Smith and school supporters; Craig Burnside, Stephen  
Harrison, Adam Hunter. Plus we have Alfie and George taking  
part in the Mini Great North Run on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

## POST-16 @ EPINAY

We are delighted with our first year of Post-16 at Epinay, in partnership with South Tyneside College. We have encouraged learning and independence through the diverse range of training and volunteering programmes. We have also established new links with partner organisations including; Bede's World, Living Streets and local schools. We are very happy to see our first year cohort of student heading off onto a range of positive destinations.



We are pleased to have 13 pupils already signed up for the September term, plus 1 who will be staying on for a second year at Post-16 @Epinay.

## PARENTS/CARERS DROP-IN

We would love to see more parents/carers coming along to these monthly drop-in sessions

**held last Thursday of the month**  
**1.30pm and 2.20pm at Café Epinay**



Please come and join us, call in for a cuppa, a chat, meet others and find out more about school projects, access information and support fundraising events. Supported by the Friends of Epinay. Check our website calendar for dates.

## YEAR 11 LEAVERS

Well done and congratulations to Epinay year 11 pupils. What a fabulous group of young people, they have been so polite, have been supportive to each other and have made Year 11 a pleasure to teach. We were delighted to see them all dressed up, dancing and saying their farewells to the staff at the school prom and at the school leavers' assembly. We will be very sad to see these pupils leave and we wish them all the best, we know they have an exciting future ahead of them.



## THE BIG SING



Pupils have taken part once again in The Big Sing at the Sage Gateshead on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** and The Mini Sing on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**. This gave our pupils the chance to sing in the main concert hall with hundreds of other school children from across the North East.

## CAFÉ EPINAY

Café Epinay provides NVQ catering training for keystage 4 pupils and the school offer community lunch clubs every Tuesday and Thursday from 12 noon, during the school term. Lunch clubs are open to parents/carers and the general public. **2-course meal including refreshments -only £4.50.**

**THE LUNCH CLUB** 

*exclusively at Café Epinay*

every Tuesday and Thursday from 12noon

Traditional 2-course meal  
*Includes: 1 cup of tea or coffee and juice* **ONLY £4.50**

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**PLEASE BOOK IN ADVANCE BY TELEPHONING 4308900 or 4898949**

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To book please telephone Café Epinay on 4898949.

We will be taking bookings in October for our ever popular Christmas lunches, so keep a look out and book early to avoid disappointment.

## DOVE MARINE LABORATORY



Class 6/7MC has continued to work with Susan Gebbles from the Dove Marine Laboratory again this term looking at the local coastline and environmental issues.



**Be smart on the internet** 

**Childnet International**  
www.childnet.com

**S SAFE**  Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information – such as your full name, email address, phone number, home address, photos or school name – to people you are chatting with online.

**M MEETING**  Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carers' permission and even then only when they can be present.

**a ACCEPTING**  Accepting emails, IM messages, or opening files, pictures or texts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages!

**r RELIABLE**  Information you find on the internet may not be true, or someone online may be lying about who they are.

**t TELL**  Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone or something makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online. **THINK U CAN KNOW**

You can report online abuse to the police at [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

**www.kidsmart.org.uk**

**KidSMART**  Visit Childnet's Kidsmart website to play interactive games and test your online safety knowledge. You can also share your favourite websites and online safety tips by Joining Hands with people all around the world. 

## SILK PAINTING

In the Thursday Art Club we have been researching Japanese art using silk fabric and silk paint and here are some of our finished pieces. **Mrs Cox**



## PE AND SPORT CURRICULM



Epinay pupils have taken part in a wide range of sporting events this term. A Cross-country event at Temple Park saw our Under 11 girls win, and Under 14 girls and Under 14 boys were runners up.

Pupils also attended the Athletics event at Monkton Stadium where our Under 14 boys won and Under 11 boys were runners up.

Congratulations also to the five Year-11 pupils who completed the Sports Leader qualification.

## EPINAY TEACHING SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

Further details of initial teacher training, schools direct and training programmes will be available in September.

We are developing a NEW Teaching School website which will be launched soon.

For further details regarding the teaching school partnerships please contact the school.



## BON VOYAGE

Six Epinay pupils and staff joined Woodlawn school group on an exciting voyage on board James Cook yacht with Ocean Youth Trust North. The crew boarded the boat on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June for a weekend trip along the Tyne and the North East coast. Once at sea, the crew had control of the vessel and had to work as a team to navigate and sail the boat. The crew also had to prepare meals, house-keeping and even tackled sleeping in the bunks on board.



The trip gave participants an experience of a lifetime where they faced challenges, carried out physical and demanding tasks which improved pupils' confidence and encouraged responsibility and trust of others. Overall, an inspiring trip!

## GARDENING CLUB

We now have a great new garden enterprise programme running from the school and have a 'budding' team of young gardeners.



We would also like to thank our garden team; Jane Cargill, Derek Huntley and Viv Milne who have been working with the group and not only making improvements to the school gardens but have been helping out within the local community. We now have a good stock of plants and flowers on sale and will be working towards Christmas gifts and products. Well done everyone.



## EPINAY-SUR-SEINE

We are always delighted to welcome our French visitors from Epinay-Sur-Seine. They visit South Tyneside for the summer festival and always have time to call into the school. Our visitors enjoyed a sneak preview of the school's showcase performance and enjoyed a fabulous lunch prepared by our pupils which included ham and pease-pudding stotties, followed by Minchella ice cream. We look forward to seeing them all again in December when we will be planning our annual exchange visit to France.



## SCHOOL SHOWCASE

Congratulations to all our pupils who starred and helped with Showcase concert held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015. We always look forward to our end of term events and this year was no exception.

**Well done.**

