



# Essendon C of E (VC) Primary School



28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to wish all our families a very Happy Easter and a restful holiday. Children make most progress when there is a parent school partnership, so thank you for all for your support at home. I know you will join with me in thanking all the staff at Essendon for their hard work and dedication across the academic year.

As we move towards the summer term, just a few reminders:

## Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform, we work hard to keep the school uniform simple for our families due to costs and peer pressure around branded clothes and sports wear.

- No logos needed on socks - no Nike socks at all thank you.
- Knee length cycling shorts can be worn for PE but not as shorts for school uniform.
- PE jogger suits – no logos thank you, plain from the supermarket is fine, or this becomes a branding competition between peers.
- Black plain trainers or shoes for uniform days – no big Nike ticks are needed.

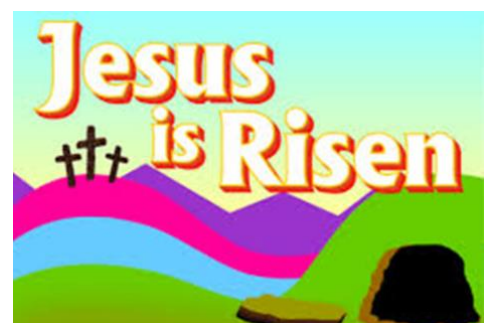
## Holidays in term time

Holidays in term time are unauthorised because your child will miss important steps in their learning and return to school with gaps in their knowledge. The whole class will have moved on and your child may not be able to catch-up with their maths or their grammar or phonics, they will be behind in their piece of writing or the topic the class has been learning about. Sometimes these gaps are never closed and your child will fall behind. So, save holidays for the school holidays.

If we get these basics in place, we can all talk about the more important aspects of our children's education and celebrate how wonderful each one of our children are. We look forward to seeing everyone back on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 8:40am.

Have a very Happy Easter break and everyone is invited to the Church for an Easter Garden activity and crafts tomorrow, Friday, at 10am.

Kind regards,  
*BJ Canham*  
Headteacher



# Everyone is invited ....

## St Mary's Church Essendon

### Easter Garden

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 10.00am – 11.30am



This Friday we will be creating our Easter Garden in the church and would welcome any children or adults who would like to come and help. There will also be refreshments and some craft activities in the church room

(If you can, please bring a small bunch of flowers or greenery from the garden)

## Holiday challenges ...

- Keep reading every day – inspire your imagination!
- Practise your times tables – can you learn them all?
- How about writing a holiday diary or making a holiday scrapbook, we would love to see them.