

Eastbrook Echo

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Congratulations to our **Stars of the Week**

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Class	w/ending 1.10.21	w/ending 8.10.21
RJG	Sofia	Lily
RMP	Adam	Isaac
1MS	Anabelle	Safiyyah
1EK	Gabriel	Maya
2FM	Finlay	Millie
2KB	Finlay	Jack
3JB	Oliver	Summer-Ray
3EB	Theo	Olivia
4KL	Ralphie	Ella
4FK	Sam	Maaya
5CP	Evelynn	Henry
5RW	Sonny	Alfie
6SG	Moesha	Neveah
6HW	Xhafer	Henry

Hello Yellow—Wear yellow on Friday 8th October





Dear All

It has been a wonderful fortnight at school with children taking part in WOW days and trips, with many highlights listed below.

This week, our Year 2 children came into school dressed as Bakers. They completed activities linked to their topic of the Great Fire of London. During the day, time was spent tasting the different types of bread and learning how to make bread. I am pleased to report that the bread safely made it out of the oven and no fires were started, unlike in Pudding Lane in 1666—phew! All the children looked amazing and I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and carers for their assistance in creating these outfits.

Last Friday, the school marked World Mental Health Day by wearing something yellow to support Young Minds—the UK's leading charity fighting for children and young people's mental health. I am pleased to announce that the school raised over £250. Thank you again for your generosity.

Year 6 are currently spending today at Newhaven Fort for the topic of Battle, Bombs and Bravery. These types of experiences really bring the topic to life and act as an excellent vehicle for engaging pupils.

Additionally, we have been celebrating Black History Month where children have been looking at inspirational individuals and key events. During the assembly on Monday, we discussed the importance of respecting everyone's culture and history. Various activities have been planned in class to celebrate Black History Month.

Natalie Naylor (Interim Headteacher)

Year 5/6 Basketball

On Wednesday this week, Mr Watkin and Mr Pawson took a group of Year 5 and 6 children to a basketball tournament at Shoreham Academy. They represented the school extremely well and showed resilience and positivity throughout their matches. Well done!



Attendance Update

Our whole school attendance currently stands at 95% of pupils in class.

Please be reminded that classroom doors open at 8.45am and registers are taken from 8.50am.It is extremely important children are in school to avoid missed learning.

As a community we will continue to work together to ensure attendance remains as high as it can be in. Please see additional information in this newsletter regarding COVID –19 symptoms and latest advice from the government.

Pumpkin Trail

Dear parents, carers, ghosts and ghouls

Join us for a spooky Halloween Pumpkin hunt! We are hiding pictures of pumpkins in the area local to the school, each with a letter on like last year! Use the treasure map to find the pumpkins, spell out the magic word and receive your sweetie cone! Maps and sweet cones will be handed out on Friday 22nd of October, just before half term. The pumpkins will be in windows from the 25th until the 31st, so the hunt can be done any time during half term or saved up to do the whole trail on Halloween night!

This year we have added an extra to the cone. It's a smartie tube, which could be filled with any spare change in return for any chores or jobs that your children could do. We would then like the tubes back after half term, all going towards the school fundraising!

Pumpkin hunt kits can be bought for £3.00 on parent pay and will include your map and one sweetie cone. Extra sweetie cones can also be bought on parent pay for £2.50. These must be pre-ordered so that we can make enough and so all orders must be in by 3pm on Friday 15th October.

We are very conscious of making sure we all stay safe and so be mindful some people may want to keep groups small and please do not knock on the doors! Thank you for your understanding!

You will also receive by email a pumpkin picture ready for your child to decorate. Just decorate using whatever materials you like, take a photo and post onto our Facebook page (there will be a specific post, just add your photo to the comments!). The Page is facebook.com/eastbrookprimarypta. The three designs with the most likes will win a prize when they return to school! Don't forget to like the designs that are your favourite! Also feel free to put your pumpkins in your window for people to spot while they are on the hunt! Remember, there will be spare pictures in the office if you need to pick one up.

Hopefully this will be a fun community event and raise some much-needed funds for our wonderful school!

Happy Halloween!

The P.T.A



COVID Information for Parents



 $Latest\ government\ advice\ from\ \underline{Schools\ COVID-19\ operational\ guidance\ -\ GOV.UK\ (www.gov.uk)}$

Symptoms of COVID-19

The government recommends that if your child has any of the three main symptoms (see below) associated with COVID-19, then it is advisable to order and take a PCR test. Your child will need to remain at home until they have the test result back and are not allowed visitors. They may leave the house to have the PCR test.

The three main symptoms are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Tracing close contacts and self-isolation

Close contacts will now be identified via NHS Test and Trace and education and childcare settings will no longer be expected to undertake contact tracing.

As with positive cases in any other setting, NHS Test and Trace will work with the positive case to identify close contacts. Contacts from a setting will only be traced by NHS Test and Trace where the positive case and/or their parent or carer specifically identifies the individual as being a close contact. This is likely to be a small number of individuals who would be most at risk of contracting COVID-19 due to the nature of the close contact. You may be contacted in exceptional cases to help with identifying close contacts, as currently happens in managing other infectious diseases.

Individuals are not required to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case and any of the following apply:

- they are fully vaccinated.
- they are below the age of 18 years 6 months
- they have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- they are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Instead they will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed they have been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take a PCR test. We would encourage all individuals to take a PCR test if advised to do so.

Children who are aged under 5 years old who are identified as close contacts will only be advised to take a PCR test if the positive case is in their own household.

Staff will continue to take twice weekly lateral flow tests

School Tours

We are delighted to announce the following dates and times for new EYFS parents to take a tour of our wonderful school.

If you are aware of any family or friends who have children due to start school in September 2022 we would like to share our plans to introduce them to Eastbrook. Please find below a list of dates and times that we will be running these tours.

Monday 18th October at 4pm

Thursday 4th November at 4pm

Thursday 11th November at 5pm

If you wish to visit the school, please do not hesitate to contact the school office on 01273 874050 or email office@eastbrook.w-sussex.sch.uk where a member of staff would be more than happy to book you on one of the days.

Additionally, we have made a virtual tour which can be found in the About Us section of our website www.eastbrook.w-sussex.sch.uk. This tour will provide you with the opportunity to look at all the faculties we have to offer.

	Term Dates for your Diary	
Autumn Term 2021		. , ,
Tuesday 19th October Tuesday 19th October Thursday 21st October	Y1 Y4 Y1/2	Lewes Castle Trip Greek WOW Day Road Safety Roadshow
Mon 25th Oct - 29th Oct Sunday 31st October	All Y6	Half Term Holiday Secondary School Application Deadline
Mon 1st November Friday 12th November Tuesday 16th November Friday 19th November	All Y3 Y6 Y5	First day of Autumn 2 Term Egyptian WOW Day Height/Weight with School Nurse Mary Rose Trip
Friday 17th December 2021	All	Last day of Autumn Term
Tuesday 4th January 2022	All	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)

Spring Term

Tuesday 4th January until Friday 8th April 2022

Half Term Monday 21st February until Friday 25th February

Last Day of Term Friday 8th April

Term Dates 2021/22

Autumn Term



Half Term Monday 25th October until Friday 29th October

Last Day of Term Friday 17th December

Spring Term

Tuesday 4th January until Friday 8th April 2022

School will be closed on Tuesday 4th January for INSET

Half Term Monday 21st February until Friday 25th February 2022

Last Day of Term Friday 8th April 2022

Summer Term

Monday 25th April until Thursday 21st July 2022

School will be closed on Monday 25th April for INSET

School will be closed on Friday 22nd July for INSET

Half Term Monday 30^{th} May until Friday 3^{rd} June

Last Day of Term for pupils Thursday 21st July

Please note that INSET dates are subject to change.

OCTOBER HALF-TERM FOOTBALL CAMP

BOYS & GIRLS AGES: 6-13

LIMITED AVAILABILITY

INDIVIDUAL DAY £18.50 / FULL TWO DAY COURSE £36



VENUE:
EASTBROOK PRIMARY ACADEMY
MANOR HALL ROAD, SOUTHWICK
BN42 4NF

10:00AM - 15:30PM (DROP OFF FROM 9:30AM)

BOOK NOW AT WWW.ELITECOACHINGSOCCERACADEMY.CO.UK

