Hello everyone,

I hope you are all well.

Firstly, I'd like to pass on my gratitude to you all for your cooperation in wearing face masks this week. It was well publicised that this would come in to effect from Monday and everyone required to wear a face covering has done so. Eastbrook is certainly doing its bit to help curb the virus. I urge you all to continue to follow government guidelines away from school to help keep our community as safe as possible. I attended a virtual meeting with the director of public health this week and he told us that Barking and Dagenham has had the second highest infection rate in London for the past fortnight. This is why we have taken cautious measures- we must do everything we can to be as careful as we can.

We have struck a careful balance between keeping everyone safe and functioning as normally as possible and it was fantastic to see London Zoo come to Key Stage One this week via a live video link! You will see more about this on our website which I hope you visit regularly to keep up to date with everything that is going on at Eastbrook.

In addition to the virtual zoo our children have visited the forest, developed their understanding of character, produced some superb work for corridor displays and tackled their learning with enthusiasm. It's wonderful to have that learning buzz well and truly back.

I wish you all a wonderful week.

Evan Hollows

Dates for your diary

18 th September	Genes for Jeans Charity Day		
21 st September	Reception start Full Time		
15th & 16th October	Bike It – Years 5 & 6Parent Consultation Day		
21 st October	Parent Consultation		
22 nd October	Harvest Celebration		
26 th October – 30 th October	Half Term		
11 th November	Remembrance & Armistice Day		
13 th November	Children In Need Day		
27 th November	Virtues Day		
11 th December	Christmas Jumper Day & School Christmas Dinner		

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DISNEY MOVIE MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB



Our breakfast club is open to all children and now have a lovely addition. They are also a Movie Morning with Disney. The children are able to watch a film during the week and pick up where they left off on the following day. Breakfast club is £2 a day.

Toast with a selection of condiments is provided as is a selection of healthy cereals and drinks.

To attend breakfast club, you need to ensure that you have an active Parent Pay account. Please always make sure there are sufficient funds to pay for days attended.

PLASTIC BOTTLES

We are still collecting 2 litre plastic bottles for our greenhouse project. Please bring any such plastic bottles in to school and give them to the office, or your child's teacher.

THANK YOU

Thank you all for wearing your facemasks on site every day.

COLLECTING CHILDREN FROM SCHOOL

We appreciate that the current situation can make it challenging to collect your child on time, but all parents and carers **MUST** collect their child before 15:10. If you are running late please call the school to let us know.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have not received any emails or text messages from us this week, please get in touch with us as we may have incorrect details on the system for you.

It is vital that we have accurate contact information for you in case of an emergency.

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VIRTUAL ZOO

Year 1 were fortunate enough to be visited by the giraffe family housed at ZSL Whipsnade to enhance their learning about animals, including humans.

The zookeeper was so impressed by Year 1's knowledge of the different animal groups that she extended their learning to include learning about the different diets of animals. Year 1 can now confidently use the scientific vocabulary 'carnivore', 'herbivore' and 'omnivore'.



YEAR 3 ASSEMBLY

Year 3 performed an assembly for the whole school via Microsoft Teams, about the Jewish celebration of Sukkot. They spoke clearly and confidently and acted brilliantly in role.



PARENTAL CONDUCT

We are very proud of the fact Eastbrook Primary is a friendly and happy school. With this in mind we request that all parents and visitors uphold this. Smoking, spitting, swearing or any other forms of antisocial behaviour will not be tolerated. Thank you for your cooperation.



SCHOOL TIMES

Breakfast Club - 08:00 - until the start of school

Morning gate - EY & KS1 - 08:40

KS2 - 8:50

Registers taken in class - 08:45 - 09:00

Afternoon gate - 14:40 - 15:00

School ends - EY & KS1 - 14:50

KS2 - 15:00

Please make sure that your children are in school

HOME LEARNING

If you're having issues connecting to Class Dojo please contact the office.

If you are able to bring your device into school please do so and we will get you set up and sort any issues you may have.

UNIFORM

We have had a number of children lose items of school uniform. It is vital that uniform is labelled clearly. We strongly recommend using name tags rather than writing in pen, as this can wash off over time if not reapplied weekly.

Uniform Donation – Thank you to everyone who has donated uniform that they no longer need. We welcome all old uniform in good condition.

If you require any uniform from the donation shop please let us know. All uniform is free.

PE TIMETABLE			
CLASS	DAY		
1 , 2 and	Tuesday		
Reception			
3, 4 , 5 and 6	Thursday		

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ATTENDANCE

It is extremely important every child attends school in time, every day. Letters are sent towards the end of the half term to inform you of your child's current attendance level. In the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham fines are issued to pupils whose attendance is below 90%.

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES

These are the percentages for the week beginning 7th September.

Weekly attendance – 21 st to 25 th September		
YEAR	PERCENTAGE	
Reception	95.4	
Year 1	96.5	
Year 2	90.5	
Year 3	93.2	
Year 4	99.2	
Year 5	84.8	
Year 6	92.0	

Figures below 93% are unacceptable and greatly affect the overall percentage for the entire school.

The national average for attendance is 95.8% for the whole school year. Our current overall percentage is at **94.35%**. Below are our current yearly attendance figures:

7 th September to 25 th September 2020				
YEAR	PERCENTAGE			
Reception	95.4			
Year 1	97.9			
Year 2	95.4			
Year 3	92.0			
Year 4	95.4			
Year 5	91.4			
Year 6	95.7			

It is important that parents are aware that failure to bring your child to school and falling below the national average could <u>result in fines or court orders</u> being issued by the local authority.



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HOUSE POINTS						
	Curie	Einstein		Johnson		
	1101	1070	1170	1042		
Total House points earned by Year Group this week						
R	66	35	56	38		
1	68	69	65	54		
2	41	40	47	49		
3	110	105	127	98		
4	25	30	26	18		
5	15	10	8	20		
6	20	33	25	20		
Т	345	322	354	297		