Hello everyone,

I hope you have had a good week.

On Wednesday, at 11am we joined schools and other institutions across the nation and all other Commonwealth states by falling silent to remember the servicemen and women who have given their lives, or been injured in the line of duty. My family, like so many others, lost members during the first and second world wars. This year I wore my poppy badge with even greater pride as it was a very thoughtful gift from one of our pupils.

This week, there has been a lot of conversation between staff about the importance of reading. Mr Peak, Mrs Turner and I attended online training to help with our teaching of phonics and early reading. It is, of course, vital that our children read at least five times a week at home. If they do this, they are recognised in our celebration assembly on a Friday.

I hope you all have a good week ahead.

Evan Hollows

## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

Monday 16th November marks the beginning of anti-bullying week. We would like pupils to come to school wearing odd socks to raise awareness of this week, on Monday only. No financial contribution is necessary.

The children will be making Anti-bullying posters in school and the school council will be presenting an assembly on what bullying is and how we can prevent it happening in our school.

## Dates for your diary

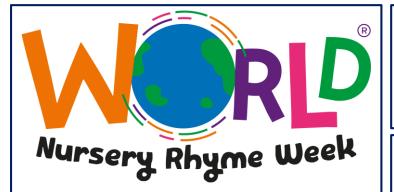
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11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance & Armistice Day	
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Children In Need Day	
16 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Day	
27 <sup>th</sup> November	Virtues Day	
4 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 4 Bikeability	
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Nasal –Flu Inoculations (Reception to Year 6)	
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day & School Christmas Dinner	
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of Autumn Term	
4 <sup>th</sup> January	First day of Spring Term	

We now have an online calendar that you can subscribe to. Please visit our <u>website</u> and click the <u>calendar</u> tab at the top of the page.

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Next week is Word Nursery Rhyme Week.

All children in KS1 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) will be singing rhymes and doing work based upon the different rhymes that they are learning. An information pack has been sent out to all parents today to help you practice some nursery rhymes at home. Do you have nursery rhymes in your own language that you can teach your children? Let's all see how many we can remember.

### **AFTER SCHOOL BEHAVIOUR**

We would like to remind parents that when children are collected from school they are to be supervised at all times and are not allowed to run on the field, or play on the equipment. Visiting the animals is fine but we would request that you do not feed them, or put fingers through the bars.

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### **CORRECT PE KITS**

On Tuesdays and Thursdays PE kit should be worn to school. It is black tracksuit bottoms or shorts, a white t-shirt and then a school jumper/cardigan over the top. Trainers are allowed on PE days.

### **CHILDREN IN NEED DAY**

Thank you for supporting Children in Need Day today. We will add up the money raised and inform you of our contribution to this worthwhile charity in the newsletter next week.

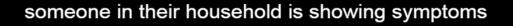


## PARENTS, HELP KEEP SCHOOLS OPEN

Do not send your child to school if:



they are showing coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms



they should be self-isolating, because they have recently travelled to a country on the quarantine list



### **RECEPTION INTAKE 2021**

Applications for next year's Reception class opened on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. All applications must be made through the admissions website.

Leaflets regarding reception admissions are available in the office when we return from half term. If you have any questions regarding the September intake, please contact the Primary office. If you know anyone who has a child in Nursery and is looking for a Reception class for next year, please let them know.

We will be doing viewing at set appointment times once the lockdown has ended on Monday and Wednesdays. If you are interested coming to a viewing, please contact the office.

#### DAMAGE TO SCHOOL BOOKS

As a school we always try and invest in the best possible resources and equipment for our pupils. Recently, there have been a number of books returned to school in an extremely poor and damaged condition. These items cost the school a significant amount to replace and also delays other pupils from being able to use them.

We expect all our pupils and their families to treat school property with due care. Should books continue to be returned in poor condition we may need to start imposing fines for replacements. This is certainly something we would like to avoid.

#### **UNIFORM DONATION**

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.

Many thanks to all the families who have donated.

<b>PE TIMETABLE –</b> Children to wear PE Kit to school		
CLASS	DAY	
1 , 2 and	Tuesday	
Reception		
3, 4 , 5 and 6	Thursday	

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#### **SCHOOL TIMES**

Breakfast Club	08:00 - 08:30
Morning Gate - EY & KS1	08:40
KS2	08:50
Registers 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 before the gates closes every morning.

#### ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES

These are the percentages for the week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> September.

Weekly attendance –2 <sup>nd</sup> November to 6 <sup>th</sup> November				
YEAR PERCENTA				
Reception	92.62%			
Year 1	95.28%			
Year 2	95.74%			
Year 3	100%			
Year 4	98.52%			
Year 5	93.33%			
Year 6	98.64%			

The national average for attendance is 95.8% for the whole school year. Our current overall percentage is at **96.05%**. Below are our current yearly attendance figures:

7 <sup>th</sup> September to 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2020			
YEAR	PERCENTAGE		
Reception*	93.95%		
Year 1	97.76%		
Year 2	95.20%		
Year 3	95.75%		
Year 4	97.53%		
Year 5	92.44%		
Year 6	96.12%		

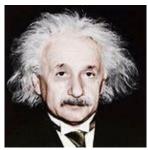
\*Data starting 21<sup>st</sup> September when they started full time.

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</u> <u>orders</u> being issued by the local authority.



### Eastbrook Primary School

Curie



**Einstein** 



Hawking



Johnson

	2700	2767	2804	2664			
	Total House points earned by Year Group this week						
R	73	60	63	69			
1	45	32	51	34			
2	27	45	25	40			
3	59	58	67	37			
4	72	56	66	62			
5	35	38	21	45			
6	7	7	10	12			
Т	318	296	303	299			

**HOUSE POINTS** 

## PARENTS, KEEP OUR COMMUNITY SAFE

When dropping your child off, or waiting to pick them up, you must:



wear a face mask (unless you have an exemption)



keep at least 2 metres away from others

Barking <mark>&</mark> Dagenham