



Hello everyone,

I hope you have had a good week. The primary school was buzzing with excitement yesterday. We were visited by a videographer who was helping us create a promotional video of our school.

He saw children learning across a wide range of subjects, playing well together and speaking confidently about our Character and Academics curriculum. Hopefully, by next week, we will be able to share the final video with you.

I have mentioned previously, the future success of our school relies on increasing pupil numbers. We have grown by 37.5% since February, which is a great achievement and I hope that through the creation of this video we will be expressing ourselves not only to our present community but to new, interested families who will join us.



I hope you all have a lovely week.

Keep yourselves and each other safe.

Evan Hollows

## Dates for your diary

- 13<sup>th</sup> November** Children In Need Day
- 16<sup>th</sup> November** Anti-Bullying Day
- 27<sup>th</sup> November** Virtues Day
- 30<sup>th</sup> November** Covid -19 Testing (Round 2)
- 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 [website](#) and click the [calendar](#) tab at the top of the page.

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## VIRTUES DAY

Today we held our very first Virtues Day! It was a huge success. The pupils took part in taught character lessons within their classes that focused on the following virtues: Caring, Helpfulness, Cooperation, Courage and Kindness.

One pupil was asked why virtues were important to us and he replied, "We need our virtues as they help us lead better lives and be better people."



Year 6 were looking at the virtue of 'Courage'. We read the story of Milton and how as he grew older, he lost his courage. After meeting a wizard one day, Milton was given a jar of courage which turned out to be empty. The courage was inside him all along! The children thought about what their 'jar' of courage would contain and created an ingredients list and method for their own jars.



### PARENTS, HELP KEEP SCHOOLS OPEN

Do not send your child to school if:

- ✗ they are showing coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms
- ✗ someone in their household is showing symptoms
- ✗ they should be self-isolating, because they have recently travelled to a country on the quarantine list



## Eastbrook Primary School

### 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.

### PE TIMETABLE – Children to wear PE Kit to school

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

### 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 –9 <sup>th</sup> November to 13 <sup>th</sup> November	
YEAR	PERCENTAGE
Reception	95.06%
Year 1	98.26%
Year 2	98.93%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	98.57%
Year 5	98.57%
Year 6	97.40%

The national average for attendance is 95.8% for the whole school year. Our current overall percentage is at **96.24%**. Below are our current yearly attendance figures:

7 <sup>th</sup> September to 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	
YEAR	PERCENTAGE
Reception*	94.81%
Year 1	97.77%
Year 2	95.93%
Year 3	96.50%
Year 4	97.91%
Year 5	93.40%
Year 6	95.91%

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

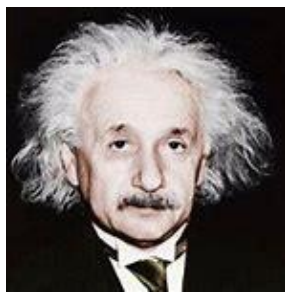
**It is important that parents are aware that failure to bring your child to school and falling below the national average could result in fines or court orders being issued by the local authority.**



### HOUSE POINTS



Curie



Einstein



Hawking



Johnson

**3546**

**3594**

**3602**

**3486**

*Total House points earned by Year Group this week*

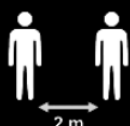
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1	35	52	50	56
2	12	7	8	18
3	115	114	102	89
4	190	170	174	175
5	3	4	3	9
6	18	31	27	27
T	<b>459</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>458</b>

### 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 & Dagenham**