



Hello everyone,

I hope you have had a good week.

It is certainly looking Christmassy in school now with more trees, fairy lights, paper chains and other decorations appearing in classrooms! Today's Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas dinner has been a lot of fun.

Hopefully, you all received my letter on Tuesday explaining that we will now be closing on Thursday 17th instead of the Friday. This is due to a late change to Government's expectation of the school's role in contact tracing.

If any child tests positive for Coronavirus between 18th and 23rd December, please email primaryoffice@eastbrookschool.org.

It has been a week dominated by assessments in school. It is very clear that the efforts of staff, who are working flat-out, is really paying off. However, like every school in the country we are still catching up from the disruption caused by the Coronavirus. Please help us to help your children by ensuring they complete all homework set and continue to practice reading and times tables daily.

Evan Hollows

Dates for your diary

- 4th December** Year 4 Bikeability
- 7th December** Nasal –Flu Inoculations (Reception to Year 6)
- 11th December** Christmas Jumper Day & School Christmas Dinner
- 17th December** Last day of Autumn Term Finish at 15:00
- 4th January** First day of Spring Term
- 15th -19th February** Spring Half Term
- 2nd -16th April** Easter Holidays
- 19th April** First Day of Summer Term
- 31st May- 4th June** Summer Half 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.

ASDA CAFÉ – KIDS EAT FREE

Asda has today stepped up its support for families across the UK by offering children the chance to eat for free in its cafes throughout December. To find out more please click on the link below

<https://corporate.asda.com/newsroom/2020/11/30/kids-can-eat-free-in-asda-cafes-throughout-december>

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AMENDMENT TO LAST WEEK'S NOTICE

Last week we informed you of a change to the last day of term. This week we were notified by government that this was changing once more. School will now finish at normal time on **17th December**. **Letters and messages were sent out to all families.**

FACE MASKS

You can only enter the site if you are wearing a face mask or other suitable covering. Please ensure this covers your **nose and mouth** at all times. Thank you.

RECEPTION FOREST VISIT

This week the reception class took their second visit down to the forest where the cheeky Christmas elf had stolen pencils and left a riddle for them to solve. It took them to the forest. Here they are enjoying themselves.



CONDUCT

We are extremely proud of the closeness of our school community and the genuine family atmosphere we have at Eastbrook.

May we remind you that should there ever be an issue, of any description, within school that you are not happy with you should bring it to our attention. You can speak to class teachers, Phase Leaders, or a member of the Leadership Team. We want to avoid conflict at every opportunity and wish to state that it is not acceptable for any adult to confront a child over school issues. Thank you for your cooperation.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY & CHRISTMAS DINNER

Today the children have had a wonderful day all dressed up in their Christmas jumpers. The lunchtime Redcoats surprised the children with a beautifully decorated hall, Christmas hats and a small treat bag. Even the teachers and staff got involved.

We've managed to raise a fantastic £156 for Save the Children. Here are some picture of today's events. To see more please go to our school website.





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RECEPTION INTAKE 2021

Applications for next year's Reception class opened on Monday 2nd 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.

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.

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.

CBEEBIES STAR

Tomorrow at 9:30am is the Cbeebies Christmas Pantomime starring our very talented student **Taiya Samuels**. We would like to congratulate her on being chosen to be this year's narrator.

PE TIMETABLE – Children to wear PE Kit to school

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

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES

These are the percentages for the week beginning 30th November

Weekly attendance –30 th November to 4 th December	
YEAR	PERCENTAGE
Reception	97.17%
Year 1	99.13%
Year 2	100.00%
Year 3	87.93%
Year 4	96.27%
Year 5	92.14%
Year 6	96.25%

The national average for attendance is 95.8% for the whole school year. Our current overall percentage is at **96.60%**. Below are our current yearly attendance figures:

7 th September to 4 th December	
YEAR	PERCENTAGE
Reception*	95.06%
Year 1	97.63%
Year 2	96.74%
Year 3	97.13%
Year 4	97.82%
Year 5	94.03%
Year 6	96.21%

*Data starting 21st September when they started full time.

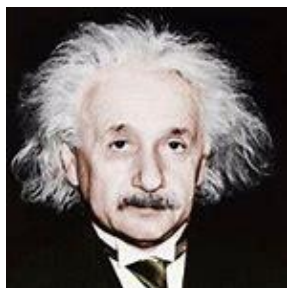
It is important that parents are aware that failure to bring your child to school and falling below the national average could result in fines or court orders being issued by the local authority.



HOUSE POINTS



Curie



Einstein



Hawking



Johnson

4389

4452

4433

4225

Total House points earned by Year Group this week

R	27	27	39	31
1	78	77	70	62
2	10	9	14	14
3	102	109	99	70
4	158	167	161	142
5	3	9	7	2
6	2	15	2	15
T	380	413	392	336