



Eastbrook Primary School

Newsletter Friday 28th May 2021

Hello everyone,

We have come to the end of another very busy and productive half term. All staff are working flat out to continue to improve the school and support children.

We do, of course, need to work with families in helping children to improve and we ask that during this half term and beyond that you support your child with their homework. Schooling has been disrupted for all primary children across the country and we will be having to work to overcome this for a long time to come. Doing the homework set is just one way we can help.

We saw a need to provide more for the children to do and enjoy during break and lunchtime. So, we have reorganised the spaces in which they play and purchased more equipment for them to use. We trialled this yesterday and the feedback was overwhelmingly positive from the pupils.

We have sought to improve safety around the site. Some children and adults who travel to school by bike or scooter have been riding them on site. We have had a few near-misses. Again, we have appealed to you to help us with this and it has been far better. I have ordered a bike storage shelter that will further improve this.

I wish you all a good half term and look forward to seeing you again on 8th June.

Evan Hollows

Dates for your diary

- 31st May- 4th June** Summer Half Term
- 7th June** INSET DAY (school closed)
- 8th June** 1st Day back of Summer 2 Term
- 21st July** Last Day of School. End of Summer 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.

As most of our news is posted daily on the school website by teachers, the newsletter will be changing to every fortnight as of next term.

All the news details for the year groups can be found on the News page of the website: <https://www.eastbrookschoo.org/primary/news/>

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.

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DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY MARBLE RUN CHALLENGE

Year 5 and 6 children have been having a fantastic time investigating, designing and building marble runs. They were set a number of challenges including how long they could make their marble run last, using friction to slow the marble down, moving it around corners and getting it to travel up as well as down.

To see how they did click on the link:

<https://www.eastbrookschool.org/primary/news/marble-runs/>

BEHAVIOUR DURING CLUBS

We would like to advise all parents and children that should behaviour during after school clubs become an issue and your child is given a warning, they may be removed from the club and could risk not taking part in future clubs. Decisions regarding removal from a club will be based on individual circumstances.

YEAR 4 - ROMANS

This term, Year 4 have been busy learning about the Romans. To sum up their learning they made shields and swords and went into the forest to 'go to battle'. To see more images of the battle and all the other Roman things they have been up to please go to the Year 4 webpage.



BAKER OF THE WEEK

This week the children have been busy making fairy cakes. The smell in school was amazing. Mahya was our 'Baker of the Week'. The children also took little booklets home of all the recipes that they have done this term. Well done to all the bakers.



HOMEWORK REMINDER

We would like to remind all parents that the pupils' homework that is set weekly is **NOT OPTIONAL**. Reading, spelling practice and using TTRockstars and Numbots form part of the curriculum that is set out for your child and reinforces outside of the school setting, what they have learnt during the week.

For children in **Years 3, 4, 5 and 6**, homework is set on **Google Classroom** and should be completed online.

Pupils' homework is marked and forms part of their progress report throughout the year. Helping your child with their homework also gives you insight into what is being taught at school and gives you a clearer indication of your child's level of learning. If you have any problems with homework, you can always contact your class teacher on Dojo.

P.E. UNIFORM

A number of pupils are coming into school just wearing any sport clothing for P.E. Our P.E. uniform is extremely simple and basic – a white t-shirt and black shorts or jogging bottoms. All of these items can be purchased at very low prices at most supermarkets and various budget stores. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform. We do also stock some second hand items at school. Please make enquiries at the office.



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GOLFING AT SCHOOL

This week KS2 children were introduced to golf. They had a golf instructor from Crowlands Golf Course come to demonstrate how putt and tee off.

We will be doing more of this next term.



BIKES AND SCOOTERS

Please ensure your children **do not** ride bikes or scooters on the school grounds. We want to keep them and others safe.

Please don't forget to collect yours at the end of each day. We cannot take responsibility for any bikes or scooters left on school property.

Thank you for your cooperation.

STEM BOOK OF THE WEEK



Lift the spectacular spiral pop up to reveal the answer and meet each magnificent animal in its home.

Children learn what the animal eats, where it lives, what it looks like and what animal family it belongs to, as well as some quirky and funny facts about it. The reader then reveals by pulling up a tab on the opposite page, a creature suspended on a sturdy but invisible plastic cord. The creature appears in a whirlwind of spiralling paper at home in its natural environment. At the animal's feet is its name and so the pop up reveals the answer in a uniquely beautiful and satisfying way.

ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES

These are the percentages for the week beginning 17th May 2021

Weekly attendance –17 th May to 21 st May	
YEAR	PERCENTAGE
Reception	91.80%
Year 1	94.55%
Year 2	91.55%
Year 3	96.55%
Year 4	98.52%
Year 5	95.83%
Year 6	86.90%

The national average for attendance is 95.8% for the whole school year. Our current overall percentage since returning in March is at **94.53%**.

Due to the Lockdown the reporting of our annual attendance has become a little more complex and some pupils' attendance may have been unfairly and negatively impacted. Therefore, whilst we work out these issues and how to best present the annual figure, we will only be showing the weekly attendance for the time being.

Please bear in mind that attendance isn't the only part of good percentages. Arriving on time at school is just as important and can also affect a child's education.

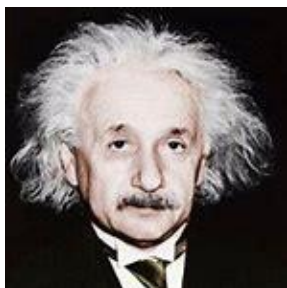
It is important that parents are aware that failure to bring your child to school and falling below the national average could result in fines or court orders being issued by the local authority.



HOUSE POINTS



Curie



Einstein



Hawking



Johnson

12252

12086

11744

11404

Total House points earned by Year Group this week

R	162	173	152	153
1	80	45	25	34
2	62	40	75	73
3	191	180	202	210
4	432	405	379	345
5	61	56	50	68
6	33	48	39	36
T	1021	947	922	919

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

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