Hello everyone,

I hope you all had a lovely summer. It has been fantastic to welcome you back to Eastbrook and to meet our new children (mainly in Reception class) and their families.

We have had a very positive start to the new school year. The children look very smart and are applying themselves very well in class. I've been in to every classroom several times during the past two weeks and have been extremely impressed with the teaching and learning that I've seen and the relationships staff are building with their new classes.

As Covid restrictions have eased outside school, we have cautiously and carefully eased them inside school too. We have kept the staggered start times and the one way system for years 1-6, but it has been great to see the children playing outside with friends from other year groups and eating in the hall again!

Evan Hollows

UNIFORM

Several children are not quite wearing the correct uniform and we are aware there has been a delay in the supply of our school jumpers.

We will send letters home as a reminder if your child is wearing an incorrect item of clothing.

GOODBYE

Sadly Mrs. Gargiulo Thomas is leaving us on Friday 24th to take up an exciting new role within a large courier company. Mrs. Gargiulo Thomas has been integral to the development of the school in the 2 years she has worked here. We will miss her greatly and wish her all the very best for the future.

ONLINE NEWS

To access the school news webpage that is updated regularly with pupils activities, please click here: <u>NEWS</u>

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Dates for your diary

| 17 th Sept | Jeans for Genes Day | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| 24 th Sept | MacMillan Coffee Afternoon | | |
| 6 th Oct | Walk To School Day | | |
| 18 th Oct | Harvest Festival Donations Week | | |

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.

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: <u>https://www.eastbrookschool.org/primary/ne</u> ws/

| PE TIMETABLE – Children to wear PE Kit to school | | | | |
|--|-----------|--|--|--|
| CLASS | DAY | | | |
| 1 , 2 and 3 | Tuesday | | | |
| Reception | Wednesday | | | |
| 4 , 5 and 6 | Thursday | | | |

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DEFIBRILLATOR

During the summer we had a defibrillator machine installed in our medical room. On Monday the staff were trained in how to use it. We hope we never do, however it is important we all know it's there, just in case.



MACMILLAN COFFEE AFTERNOON

On Friday 24th September we will be holding a Macmillan Coffee Afternoon. This will take place on the field/playground after school between 3pm and 3.45pm. More details will follow on Class Dojo.

JEANS FOR GENES

Thank you for your support today for Gene for Jeans Day. We managed to raise £121.00. Your support of this charity is greatly appreciated.



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P.E. IS BACK

This terms unit for PE is health related fitness. Pupils have made a great start to the term so far putting lots of effort into each of the circuit stations. Following last year's success, we will be taking part in the London mini marathon in lesson again in October.

Can I remind all pupils they must be wearing trainers or plimsolls on feet and **NO jewellery** at all on PE days.



HOMEWORK

Homework is set on Fridays and due back into school on Wednesdays. This work is **NOT** optional, it forms part of your child's learning and must be completed.

This is especially true for Year 6 pupils who must start forming good homework habits before they enter Year 7, where failure to complete homework results in immediate detention after school.

Any issues with accessing homework must be communicated to the teacher BEFORE TUESDAY. Children who fail to complete homework on a regular basis will result in a meeting with the class teacher and Headteacher to explain reasons why.

POETRY COMPETITION KS2

If you are in year 3, 4, 5 or 6 you may want to take part in the Poetry competition that Mrs Peake posted on Class Dojo earlier this week. This is an excellent opportunity to showcase your creative writing skills.

Please hand in all entries to your class teacher by the 15th October 2021. Winning entries have the chance to be published in a book, which is number 32 of our 50 Things To Do before 11 3/4.



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ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES

The attendance last year was a huge achievement and we are aiming to make this year even better. The start of this year has been a little shaky, which is to be expected given all the changes in Covid restrictions. Data below shows 6th September to 17th September

| Year attendance | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| YEAR | PERCENTAGE | | | | |
| Reception | 97.26% | | | | |
| Year 1 | 88.26% | | | | |
| Year 2 | 90.91% | | | | |
| Year 3 | 99.82% | | | | |
| Year 4 | 94.74% | | | | |
| Year 5 | 96.24% | | | | |
| Year 6 | 88.80% | | | | |

The national average for attendance is 95.8% for the whole school year. Our current overall percentage is 93.93%

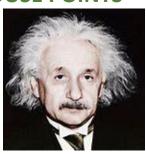
We would like to remind all families that holidays and considerable time spent abroad will result in fines from the Local Authority, unless proof is provided through official documents, of legitimate reasons for absence.

Parents have a legal obligation to ensure that their children are in school and on time every day.

HOUSE POINTS – TOTAL YEAR POINTS



Curie



Einstein



Hawking



Johnson

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|---|---|------|------|------|--|--|--|
| | 1340 | 1381 | 1447 | 1435 | | | |
| | Total House points earned by Year Group this week | | | | | | |
| R | 64 | 50 | 44 | 67 | | | |
| 1 | 113 | 106 | 97 | 107 | | | |
| 2 | 69 | 73 | 27 | 35 | | | |
| 3 | 353 | 321 | 410 | 363 | | | |
| 4 | 222 | 248 | 266 | 276 | | | |
| 5 | 437 | 434 | 518 | 477 | | | |
| 6 | 82 | 149 | 85 | 110 | | | |
| Т | 1340 | 1381 | 1447 | 1435 | | | |