



Eastbrook Primary School

Newsletter Friday 10th December 2021

Hello everyone,

I hope you have had a good week. It has been an eventful week here at school! As you know, we had a full Ofsted inspection on Tuesday and Wednesday. In total, seven inspectors came to visit us. They looked very closely at reading and saw lots of different lessons including phonics, geography, science and history in both the mainstream and Apollo classrooms. Staff and pupils were interviewed about all aspects of school life. Thank you to all parents who completed the ParentView questionnaires; your input in to the inspection process was greatly appreciated. We will share the findings of the report as soon as we receive it.

Today has been Christmas Jumper Day which has been very jolly indeed. Mr Khan, our chef, and his team prepared a delicious Christmas dinner for all the pupils to enjoy.

Some of our Key Stage 2 pupils have displayed several civic virtues this week by being part of a tree planting project in Eastbrookend Country Park. It is wonderful to know that a new patch of woodland will grow as the children grow. It will be such a superb addition to Eastbrookend.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mr Hollows

Dates for your diary

- 14th Dec** **Flu Vaccinations**
- 17th Dec** **Primary last day of Autumn term (Finish at 11.45)**
- 20th Dec** **Christmas Holidays**
- 4th Jan** **INSET DAY**
- 5th Jan** **Primary 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.

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

ONLINE NEWS

To access the school news webpage that is updated regularly with pupils activities, please click here: [NEWS](#)

PE TIMETABLE – Children to wear PE Kit to school

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

Black trainers and shorts/jogging bottoms plus P.E. top.



Next week on Wednesday 15th December, all classes will be having their xmas parties. All lovely treats have been bought for the children. Please do not send in any food or drink. We can't wait to have a lovely festive funtime!



LAST DAY OF TERM

The last day of term is December 17th. This will be a half day for pupils. School finishes at 11.45 on this day.



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Tree Planting at Eastbrook End

Character Education

Eastbrook pupils have been planting trees at Eastbrook End Park with the local ranger. They all fully participated in the questioning and discussion, as well the planting process. Pupils were able to discuss the benefits associated with planting trees which included: providing better quality air, absorbing carbon dioxide and providing shelter for insects and animals. The children planted approximately one-hundred and twenty trees which meant that each child planted on average four trees each. How great is that? To imagine that these trees will be there for years to come.

Our pupils demonstrated many of the character virtues during their visit which included: teamwork, kindness, service, helpfulness and community awareness.



Oh What Beautiful teeth You Have Year 3!

Year three have been learning about teeth during their science lessons. They have learnt the names of different teeth, the reasons why humans have different teeth in their mouths and how to keep their teeth clean and healthy.

The children took a disclosing tablet to reveal if they were brushing their teeth correctly... If there was any new plaque on their teeth they would be stained red and older plaque displays as purple or blue. Thankfully there were lots of shiny white teeth, which means the children are brushing well but there was some staining on some of the back teeth so some children are going to be a bit more careful at brushing their back teeth from now on.



Borough Panathlon

Mrs Nicholas and Ms Noel took a group of pupils for Borough panathlon ten pin bowling competition. All pupils did extremely well and even managed to get a few 'strikes' and 'spares'. Eastbrook achieved 6th place overall.

Well done to everyone who participated.





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 from beginning of term until Friday 10th December 2021.

| Year attendance | |
|-----------------|------------|
| YEAR | PERCENTAGE |
| Reception | 94.00% |
| Year 1 | 94.1% |
| Year 2 | 94.86% |
| Year 3 | 97.09% |
| Year 4 | 95.21% |
| Year 5 | 94.44% |
| Year 6 | 90.53% |

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

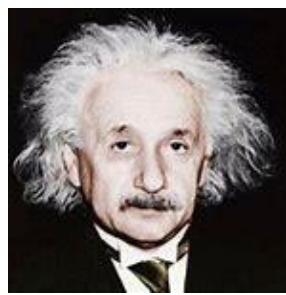
We would like to remind all families that holidays and considerable time spent abroad will result in fines from the Local Authority, unless proof is provided through official documents, of legitimate reasons for absence.

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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|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 5251 | 5395 | 6038 | 5732 |
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Total House points earned by Year Group this week- Autumn 2

| | Week 1 | Week2 | Week 3 | Week 4 | Week 5 | Week 6 |
|-----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Curie | 238 | 206 | 180 | 341 | 418 | 590 |
| Einstein | 279 | 228 | 178 | 325 | 424 | 591 |
| Hawking | 250 | 284 | 199 | 341 | 490 | 666 |
| Johnson | 226 | 258 | 233 | 363 | 465 | 593 |