

EAST BOLDON JUNIOR SCHOOL

'Be the best that we can be' Newsletter 18 - July 2024



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Here we are at the end of another school year and what a year it has been! As we reflect at this time, we have so much to celebrate - stories of amazing personal growth, resilience and success. The school continues to thrive and this year has been no different.

It's four years now since our school adopted the ethos 'Be the best that we can be.' This is not just for our learners but is also for staff and governors. We have high standards for ourselves and have worked incredibly hard to deliver the best learning and care that we can. We have focused on enriching a curriculum and adapting learning to meet the needs of all. Here's a brief summary of some of the achievements this year:

- Our pupils continue to achieve amazing things both academically, artistically and through their favourite sports. So many achievements, medals and trophies. The catalogue of accomplishments is huge and hard to list but it would be hard not to mention the Y5/6 Girls Football Team that won the Durham FA Schools trophy beating the best of the best from all over the North East! It truly is an incredible achievement! We are very proud of every learner whether that's swimming 25m for the first time, passing cello exams or the children being selected for sporting academies. Our pupils are amazing!
- Some of our staff have been delivering training at The University of Sunderland to support
 their Teacher Training programmes for a few years now but this year two members of staff
 were invited down to South Bank University in London to share our good practice. The best
 schools have their fingers on the pulse when it comes to academic practices and it is great to
 see that our work is being recognised locally and further afield.
- This year we developed our new website. Apart from looking pretty, it has brought a lot of new features for children and parents. We will share more information about some of these new sections in the new academic year.
- The Sunday Times listed East Boldon Junior School in its Top 500 UK Schools (No 1 in South Tyneside) this was an amazing surprise and we all feel so proud of this achievement.

Thank you for taking the time to answer our questionnaires - the information was very positive and reassuring that we're on the right path. Parents have also helped us to highlight ways that we can improve too – thank you.

I appreciate all your support once again this year. On behalf of all of the staff and governors at East Boldon Juniors, I wish you all a wonderful summer break and we are looking forward to seeing you all in September.

Kind regards,

Mr T Shenton

Well done, Year 6

Over the last three weeks the Year 6 pupils have been busy! How about this for funpacked list:

Residential week in the Lake District;

Transition days at their new schools;

Leavers' Show;

Leavers' Disco;

Leavers' Lunch;

Bus Induction;

SAT Results;

Internet Safety Workshop;

Water Safety Swimming lessons!

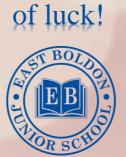
Here are some images of all the fun over the last three weeks...































Tiny Lives

Ella in Year 6 has recently had a bake sale and raised an incredible £322.10 for Tiny Lives. Absolutely amazing! We are so proud of her and everyone that supported her in this venture.





Family Picnic

We were lucky with the weather this year following a lot of rain and Monday was a great afternoon of fun outside celebrating the

school year. The governors were keen to make

this year's Family Picnic the best one ever following the Sunday Times Top 500 Parent Power Schools announcement. We hope that you all had a lot of fun!



Y5 Bikeability

Y5 completed their days of road safety awareness while cycling with the Bikeability Team. The instructors' feedback was excellent. The children were very good listeners and learners. Cycling

is a very enjoyable form of transport and exercise - don't forget to be safe out there!

SEND Afternoon Tea Event

We hope that you enjoyed meeting the wide range of people that came into school this week. We had the wonderful people from SENDIASS, KAYAKS, Kooth, Qwell, Toby Henderson Trust, The Inclusion Team and our Educational Psychologist all come into school and meet our families and Y2 parents too. We hope that you found it informative and helpful to know more about these services. And we hope you enjoyed the tea, coffee and cakes available too!

Drama Showcase

Miss Case's Drama and Singing Club hosted a fantastic evening of musical, theatrical and moments of utter silly nonsense that the children absolutely loved sharing with families! Thank you for attending and supporting the children in their endeavours. It raised £130 for performing arts resources!



Term dates for your diary

This time last year we created an annual calendar of events online. Feedback has been great for this so we have a new one in development. We will share this in September, but in the meantime here are some key dates for your diaries:

Autumn term:

Tues 3nd Sep – Fri 25th Oct Tues 5th Nov – Fri 20th Dec

Spring term:

Mon 6th Jan – Fri 21st Feb Tues 4th Mar – Fri 11th Apr

Summer term:

Mon 28th Apr – Fri 23rd May Mon 2nd Jun – Fri 18th July

Staff training days:

Monday 2nd September 2024 Monday 4th November 2024 Monday 3rd March 2025