

EAST BOLDON JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Head Teacher's Corner



SHOW

RACISM

As we move through another busy and rewarding term, I would like to take a moment to thank everyone in our school community for their continued support and positivity. I am especially grateful for the kind words and warm wishes I've received ahead of my upcoming paternity leave - your thoughtfulness truly means a great deal to me and my family. I have every confidence that our fantastic staff will continue to ensure everything runs smoothly in my absence, and I look forward to returning with plenty of baby stories to share. *Mr Shenton*

Welcome Back, Mrs Taylor!

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Taylor back to school following her maternity leave and are so pleased to have her return to Class 5MT. We would also like to extend a huge thank you to Miss Gordon for the fantastic work she has done with the class so far this term - her enthusiasm, dedication, and care have been greatly appreciated by pupils and staff alike. We're thrilled that Miss Gordon will be continuing her great work with us until Christmas, supporting learning in 5MT and teaching on Fridays. This will provide great continuity for the class.

Show Racism the Red Card

Last week, our school proudly took part in Show Racism the Red Card Day, joining thousands of others across the country in promoting respect, and inclusion. The children

equality, respect, and inclusion. The children engaged brilliantly with the discussions and activities, showing real maturity and empathy in their understanding of such an important issue. We were especially impressed by the posters they designed - each one was thoughtful, creative, and powerful in its message. Well done to everyone for taking part and for helping to make our school such a welcoming and inclusive community.

Eden Camp

Our Year 6 pupils enjoyed a fantastic visit to Eden Camp yesterday, where history truly came to life! The children explored the fascinating exhibits and immersive displays, gaining a real insight into what life was like during World War II. From the sounds of the air raid shelter to the stories of those who lived through the war, the experience brought their learning to life in a memorable and engaging way. The staff at Eden Camp commented on how polite and enthusiastic our pupils were throughout the day - a real credit to the school. Well done, Year 6!





The Discovery Museum

Year 4 had a brilliant day out at the Discovery Museum in Newcastle, where they explored a wide range of fascinating exhibits linked to their science and history topics. The children especially enjoyed the hands-on experiments and interactive displays, which helped bring their learning to life in exciting new ways. From discovering the story of Newcastle's industrial past to experimenting with forces and motion, everyone was fully engaged and enthusiastic throughout the day. The staff were incredibly proud of the pupils' curiosity, excellent behaviour, and thoughtful questions - well done, Year 4!







Giving thanks at our Harvest Festival

On Wednesday, we celebrated our Harvest Festival, and it was a wonderful occasion for our children to come together. We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone who kindly contributed donations for Hebburn Helps, a fantastic local charity supporting families in need. During the celebration, the children spent time reflecting on the many things we have to be grateful for - especially the things that don't cost anything, such as family, friends, kindness and care. It was a truly special reminder of the importance of generosity and gratitude.



A Reminder: We are a Nut-Free School

We would like to remind all parents and carers that we are a nut-free school. To keep all of our pupils safe, please ensure that no nuts or sesame seed products are included in packed lunches or snacks. We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a safe environment for everyone. If any families would prefer, our school catering team can now provide a school packed lunch as an alternative to school dinners - please contact the school office for more information or to arrange this option.

PTA Disco Fun!

Last night's <u>school discos</u> were a huge success and brought plenty of smiles, laughter and dancing! We are incredibly grateful to



our fantastic PTA for organising such a fun event, and a big thank you goes to DJ Windle for keeping the dance floor buzzing with the best music. We would also like to thank our dedicated staff for their help and supervision throughout the evening. The children were brilliant - full of energy, enthusiasm, and excellent dance moves! It was a wonderful celebration for everyone involved.

The Bee Hive is buzzing!

Our new wraparound care facility, The Bee Hive, has now settled in wonderfully and is continuing to grow. The dedicated team provides a warm, structured, and engaging environment where our children are truly thriving. The Bee Hive opens its doors at 7:30am every school day and remains open until 5:30pm after school, offering flexible support for busy families. If you would like to enquire about available spaces, please contact beehive@eastboldonjuniors.co.uk for more information.



Stars of the week

Year 3 - Sebbie & Avery

Year 4 - none today due to trip

Year 5 - Theo & India S

Year 6 - Mason, Edith & Vinny

Gold Award

This week, we introduced a new award – *The Gold Award* – to celebrate pupils who show exceptional manners in the dining hall. Congratulations to Our Golden Winners: Flynn, Ellie, Poppy (Y3); Jack (Y4); Olly, Jasmine (Y5); Levi and Noah (Y6) who were the first to win the Gold Award bags from the cooks and lunchtime supervisors!

Head Teacher Awards

Freya (Y3), Essie (Y4), Alice (Y5) and Jamie (Y6) have all impressed Mr Shenton already this term by following our school values. Amazing!

Term dates for your diary

Please keep an eye on this section, as we regularly add events to the calendar (new dates in bold).



Autumn term:

2nd September – 24th October 4th November – 19th December

3 Nov: INSET Day

3 Nov: Parents/Carers' Evening 4 Nov: New half term starts

7 Nov: Y4 visit to Great North Museum

10-14 Nov: Anti Bullying Week

14 Nov: Children in need (dress up optional)

14 Nov: Y3 & Y4 Panto 21 Nov: Y5 visit to Jorvik 28 Nov: Y5 & Y6 Panto 5 Dec: Y6 Winter Warmer

10 Dec: Christmas Jumper and Dinner 11 Dec: Y6 visit to Victoria Tunnel

11 Dec: Y5 Winter Warmer

12 Dec: Y3 Nativity Performance (2pm) 15 Dec: Y3 and Y4 Christmas Party

17 Dec: Y4 Winter Warmer 18 Dec: Y3 Winter Warmer

18 Dec: Y5 and Y6 Christmas Party

19 Dec: Carol Service at St George's (2pm)

19 Dec: Last day of term

5 Jan: Return to school

Child Safety Reminders:

Parking

Parents and local residents have shared their concerns about families dropping children off on single yellow lines and zigzags outside of school. Please do not pe



outside of school. Please do not park on these road markings or beside our school gate.

Keep our school a safe place. Thank you

Dogs

Unfortunately, as much as we love our four-legged friends, we do not allow dogs on site (apart from guide dogs).

