



## Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

Class	w/ending
	<b>25/03/22</b>
RJG	Lucie
RLB	Francesca
1MS	Charlie
1EK	Emerson
2FM	Alex
2KB	Kian
3JB	Ashley
3EB	Holly
4KL	Isabel
4FK	George
5CP	Emily
5RW	Sky
6SG	William
6HW	Jennifer



Dear All,  
What a beautiful week we have had here at Eastbrook. Our first outdoors lessons have happened, with nests in the KS1 playground and an Indian feast on the field. Fabulous!

**Indoor Athletics:** No sooner have they had one success than our indoor athletics were rushing off to yet another competition. This time the regional round in which they finished a truly amazing 3rd—out of a total of 59 schools! Incredible athleticism!

**Girls Football:** Our Y3/4 girls' football team have also been in action. They ended up in the top five of their group in their first ever set of games against other schools—well done.

### REAch2:

Mr. Burt, our deputy director of education popped in to visit Y4 and was very impressed by their Indian WOW day - especially their love of lime pickle. He loved the way in which all of the learning from the topic comes together in a big day of cross-curricular celebration and discovery.

### Parent's Evening:

Thank you to all parents who attended our first 'in person' parents evening for almost two years. Aside from getting lost after so long out of the school building, parents really enjoyed finding out how well their children were doing in school, looking at books and, of course, getting lost on the way back out again.

### Coming Up:

Next week we are going to be planting 12 trees that have been donated to us. ALL children from Y1-Y6 will be involved, so they should **all** come in **forest school clothes** on **Wednesday 30th March**. Our new trees will be looked after by their class until the children leave at the end of Y6, when they will hand over to the reception class who are about to move into Y1 in a special annual ceremony.

We are looking for **parent helpers** to assist with digging and filling the holes needed for the trees. Can those with green fingers please contact **Mrs. Groves**.

**Mr Wade—Headteacher**

### Attendance Update

Our whole school attendance this week was 91.8% of pupils in class.

Please be reminded that classroom doors open at 8.45am and registers are taken from 8.50am. It is extremely important children are in school to avoid missed learning.

As a community we will continue to work together to ensure attendance remains as high as it can be in. Please see additional information in this newsletter regarding COVID –19 symptoms and latest advice from the government.

### School Spaces

We currently have spaces in: **Reception, Y3, Y4 and Y6**. If you know anyone looking for a new primary school, send them here!

## Athletics Team

Here they are again— this time they had only one week to prepare for the huge challenge of the regional competition at Angmering. Some schools had months to get ready, while we had just six days, including learning brand new events. 3rd place under such conditions was a truly impressive achievement.



## 144 Challenge

A very well done to the any pupils who complete their 144 challenge. This involves answering 20 questions based on all the timetables up to and including the 12s. Questions include finding the product of, multiplying two numbers and dividing.

We look forward to more children passing the challenge in the coming weeks. Especially from Y4 as they prepare for the first ever national multiplication tables check.



## Term Dates for your Diary

### Spring Term 2022

Monday 28th March	Y3	Chichester Planetarium Visit
Monday 28th-Thursday 31st March	Y6	Mock SATS
Friday 1st April	All	PTA Dress down day
Wednesday 6th April	All	Easter Raffle
Friday 8th April	All	Last day of Spring term
Tuesday 26th April	Y1-Y6	Swimming starts (letter to follow)
Tuesday 26th Aril	Whole School	Visit from Sir Steve—REAch2 Founder
Thursday 28th April	Y1	Wakehurst Place Trip
Friday 29th April	All	Astra Colour Class Photographs

### Spring 2022

Tuesday 4th January until Friday 8th April 2022

Half Term Monday 21st February until Friday 25th February

Last Day of Term Friday 8th April

### Summer 2022

25th April-22nd July (22nd July is an INSET day, school closed to pupils)

# COVID Information for Parents



## Test and Self-Isolation

Although the government no longer issues wide ranging recommendations with regard to testing and self-isolation, we think that children need to be kept safe in school. So, if your child develops symptoms, don't risk it, arrange a test.

The three main symptoms are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child tests positive on a Lateral Flow Device, but **are not displaying any symptoms** (asymptomatic), then they should still self isolate for five days. No PCR test needed.

When children reach day 6, of their isolation period, we still recommend taking a lateral flow test . If they receive a negative result on day 6 they can come back to school. However, it is important that they continue to remain cautious.

## In School Measures

We will still maintain some measures, such as separate classes in breakfast and after school club , but we have also returned to normal for some activities that last 15 minutes or less, for example whole school assemblies and playtimes.

Eastbrook is still asking all staff to test twice per week so that we can ensure we do not pass on Covid to children and any member of staff will observe a five day isolation. We will still fully support families who take measures to protect their child from infection and who choose to regularly test at home.

Please contact us if your child has tested positive so that we can let classes know when there is a case. Anyone who still wants their child to wear a mask in school, please let the class teachers know, so that we can support them in class.

We will keep our measures under constant review and hope to be able to make further positive changes after the Easter break.