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Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

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Attendance Update

Our whole school attendance this week was

94.6% of pupils in class.

Classroom doors open at 8.45am and registers are taken from 8.50am, Lesson start at 09:00. It is extremely important children are in school to avoid missed learning.

We are aiming to being attendance back to pre-Covid levels. If your child is well, please send them to school.

Any missed school time is missed learning that may impact your child in the long term.

School Spaces

We currently have spaces in: Reception, Y4 and Y6. Please let friends and relatives know that we would love more pupils here.



Dear All,

We have had a fantastic week in school. Our Y6 children have felt happier and more relaxed now that SATs are over and most of upper Key Stage 2 spent most days in a state of heightened excite-

ment about the forthcoming Osmington Bay trip. Meanwhile there was plenty going on elsewhere in school...

Jubilee Celebration: We are so excited about the car park 'street party' next Friday from 12:30—2:30. Please come along and join the fun. There will be a special letter with more details coming to you and on the website mid-week. **EVERYONE** is welcome to come along and celebrate this momentous event.

Y3 WOW Day— The Stone Age: Wednesday morning saw a gang of unruly stone age-hunter gatherers turn up instead of the usual well behaved Y3 children. Luckily they got through the day without hunting any megafauna to extinction. See page 3 for pictures and more information about this exciting history event. **KS1 SATs:** Year 2 children completed their own SATs papers this week. They have now done maths and English reading tests. The final paper had some long, challenging texts, which children showed great resilience to be able to read through. Well done! Jubilee Competition: We had some brilliant entries to the Jubilee poster and flyer competition. See Page 5, 6 and 7 for the wonderful winners. The winning 3 entries will be our main poster, local flyer and small poster for the event. Watch out for them around school this week.

Rain: We are coming into the Great British Summer, which means heavy rain, often at short notice. Please check the weather before you leave the house (looking outside the window can often helps too) so that children are properly dressed (coats, umbrellas, wellies) & arrive at school nice & dry. Parking: Thank you to everyone who parks safely outside school and thinks about other people when dropping their children off. To those who continue to use the zig-zag 'Keep Clear' area, please stop. It is dangerous and inconsiderate to others. It really is not worth saving a few seconds to put the lives of your children and other people in danger.

Friends of Eastbrook: Our fabulous PTA do SO MUCH to help our school. In fact, they are so important that we are giving them their own page (7) in the Eastbrook Echo. Check out Page 8 to see their big news. We also need to correct a note from one of the letters home: The Chessington coach is actually funded directly by Friends of Eastbrook—THANK YOU!!

Free School Meals in Half Term: West Sussex County Council is continuing to fund free school meals (FSM) at £15/ child during half term. For families not eligible for FSM, but where the cost of living crisis is still hitting hard there is a community hub.

Contact West Sussex County Council for details of both.

Coming Up:

Osmington Bay— 20-23 May Swimming—every week until July 20th Special Jubilee celebration— 27th May Sports Day Y1-6—1st July: 12:30-2:45 Summer Fair—15th July: 3-6:30pm End of term—Wednesday 20th July Mr. Wade—Headteacher

PTA AGM

Our PTA are incredibly important to Eastbrook, helping to raise funds for all sorts of amazing experiences and resources that the school could not otherwise afford. The AGM was the annual chance for new members to join, the committee to be formed and reports to be shared about some of the amazing things the PTA has been up to this year. Among other things, they have provided Christmas gifts, playground equipment, Y6 Chessington trip transport, special reading books, after school club games, wet play boxes and Easter eggs this year. Thank you SO MUCH!

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

Summer Term 2022—25th April-20th July

Wednesday 13th July

13th & 14th July

Friday 15th July

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Friday 20th May to Monday 23rd May	Y5/6	Osmington Bay Residential Trip			
Thursday 26th May	Y4	Victoria WOW Day			
Friday 27th May	Whole School	Jubilee Celebration Afternoon			
Mon 30th May to Fri 3rd June	Whole School	Half Term			
6th-24th June	Y1/ Y2	Phonics Screening Window			
6th-24th June	Y4	Times Table Checks			
Friday 24th June	Y1	Drusillas			
Friday 24th June	EYFS	Sports Day			
Wednesday 29th June	Y5	Fun Day at Shoreham Academy			
Friday 1st July	YR—Y2	Hedgehog visit			
Friday 1st July	Y1-6	Sports Day 12:30-2:45pm			
Monday 4th July	Y6	Chessington			
4-8th July	Y1-6	Swimming Gala week			

Weald and Downland Visit

Summer Fair (& Y6 Leavers' party)

Summer Show—'Aspen'

Y4

Y6

Whole School

Y3 WOW Day—The Stone Age

The Key Stage 2 History Curriculum includes four statutory periods of time that the children must learn about in chronological order. The first of these is Stone Age Britain. As it comes first and Y3 are the first KS2 year group, they get to study this fascinating period and have one of the most unusual WOW days of the whole school year. See for you yourself...



Jubilee Celebration

We cannot wait to welcome you all to our wonderful Platinum Jubilee Street party on Wednesday 27th May. Gates will open just before 12:30 and parents will be assigned special tables where you can share food and grab a seat. Don't forget to dress in red, white and blue or choose your favourite royal (past or present) to dress up as.

Parents and families are welcome to join children for their games and quiz, but please allow them to stay with their classes throughout the afternoon so that we can keep everyone safe. You will be asked to wear a sticker the whole time.

At the end of the event we will take **all children** back to class to collect bags and coats and will ask parents to go **around the front** to the gate to collect them as normal.

Here are the details again:

The date: Friday 27th May

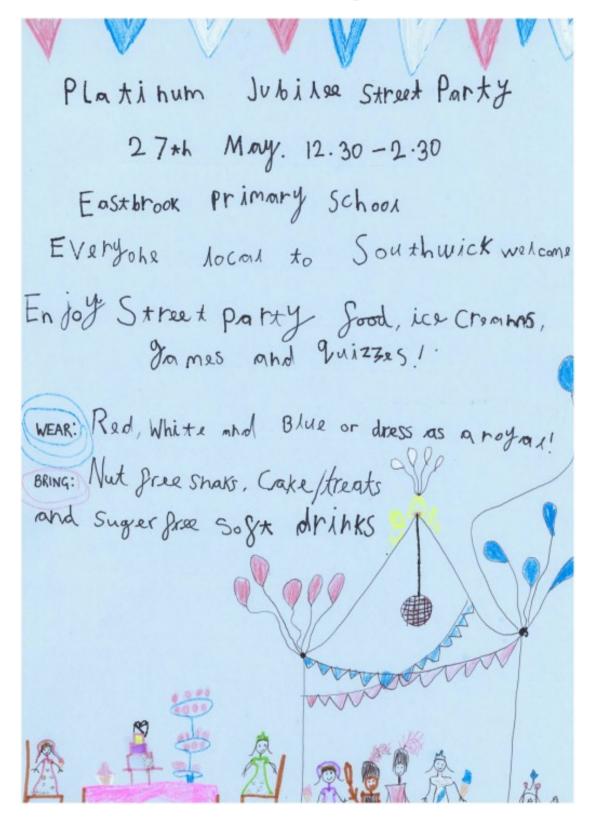
The time: 12:30-2:30

- What to bring: Nut free snacks, sandwiches, cakes and treats; sugar free soft drinks;
- What to wear:Red, white & blue or dress as a royal (current or historical)

This is going to be the biggest school event for more than two years. Please help us by following all of our rules, letting children stay with their class teachers and making sure everyone treats everyone else with respect.

Let's have loads of fun and celebrate a true British icon! See you on Friday, at 12:30, in your costumes!

Jubilee Poster Competition 1st Place—Imogen 2FM



Jubilee Poster Competition 2nd Place—Alexander 3JB



Please Join us to celebrate at Eastbrook Primary School

Friday 27 May 2022

12:30pm till 2:30pm

Street party food, ice creams, games and quizzes. Please bring nut free snacks, cakes and treats; sugar free soft drinks.

Sandwiches and savoury treats

Jubilee Poster Competition 3rd Place—Eric 1MS



Friends of Eastbrook—PTA

Our fabulous Friends of Eastbrook do so much for the school that we decided they deserve their very own page in the Eastbrook Echo. Check here each week for special messages from the PTA to all parents about upcoming events, fundraising opportunities and ways you can help.

Events: 15th July 3pm-6:30: School Summer Fair Everyone is welcome to attend, with lots more news to come about this event in the coming weeks.

Fundraising: Do you have a front garden or yard? Can you put up an estate agent's board for a few weeks? If so, you can help to raise money for the school. Cox & Co will donate £10 to school for every board that we put up. If just 10 families volunteer to let them pop a board up for a few weeks, that's £100 for school, with no effort at all. Please contact the office or the PTA on PTA@eastbrook.w-sussex.sch.uk to help out.

Ways to Help: If anyone can help out with teas and coffees at the Jubilee Celebration next Friday, please contact Mr. Wade at head@eastbrook-academy.org or Friends of Eastbrook at PTA@eastbrook.w-sussex.sch.uk—if we get plenty of volunteers, you will only need to volunteer for a short shift.

Watch this space for more news of our wonderful Friends of Eastbrook, the best PTA in West Sussex (at the very least).



FRIENDS OF EASTBROOK PRIMARY NEWS

ADVERTISING SPACE!!

Do you own or work for a business that would like to sponsor our summer fair?

For £40 you will get a 50x50cm square of full colour advertising space to promote your business on the front of our school for a minimum of 4 weeks.

For more details please email PTA@eastbrook.w-sussex.sch.uk

Friends of Eastbrook—Special Donations

To help us to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee, we have had this fantastic donation of fruit squash from one of our local businesses. **Sarah Doswell**, the Chiropodist from the Manor Hall Road parade of shops gave us this box of delicious Robinson's squash to make the Jubilee as juicy as possible.



It is such a generous gift and I know parents will show their appreciation by booking an appointment very soon. Get those feet sorted for summer!

COVID Information for Parents

Test and Self-Isolation

As of 1st April, government guidelines on the management of Covid-19 were radically altered, with significant reductions in all control measures. At Eastbrook, we continue to want to protect our children the best we can. However, in the light of reduced numbers of cases, we have amended our guidance to parents:

If your child has a high temperature and any other symptoms (listed below) they should stay home and avoid contact with other people where they can. We cannot directly recommend testing for Covid-19, but a health professional can do this and we therefore recommend consulting a health professional if your child has symptoms of Covid-19. The three mains 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

Any child testing positive, should remain in isolation for 3 days. We also suggest keeping them off school until symptoms have reduced.

In School Measures

After Easter we have relaxed measures relating to Skoolzout and breakfast club.

We are still asking all staff to test if they develop symptoms, 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 wants their child to wear a mask in school, please let the class teachers know, so that we can support them in class.

If your child tests positive for Covid-19—PLEASE DO NOT SEND THEM TO SCHOOL. Speak to us first.

We continue to take the health of Eastbrook children seriously and treat Covid-19 as the highly infectious and potentially life threatening illness that it is.

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