



East Peckham Primary School

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Newsletter

Term 5 Week 2

Friday 1st May 2026

Dear parents and carers,

Another week, another trip - this week Year 3 enriched their learning, please read more below. Thank you again to all of the parents who helped, making activities like this possible. Next week it is Year 4s turn!

We are looking forward to swimming re-starting next week. Without wishing to jinx it, the weather is looking warmer but regardless the pool is heated! Please remember to send children into school wearing PE kit on swimming days - this is because it is easier to change into and out of, and if swimming has to be cancelled for any reason



then the children can have a PE lesson instead. Also, swimming hats are available to purchase from the school office (cash or via Arbor) - please remember to have silicone ones rather than material, as material ones do not stay on properly, making the children's heads cold while swimming and letting hair escape into the pool and filtration system.

As the weather has been so beautiful this week, the children have really enjoyed using all of the playground equipment, both new and old! You may have noticed a new addition to the staff team this week - Mr Wong joins us in Lower Key Stage 2, having moved here following being a teacher in Hong



Kong. We have said goodbye to Mrs Gibson, who has moved on to an admin role in a secondary setting. The children have been very welcoming and we look forward to Mr Wong working with us.

Have a wonderful long weekend - do not forget that it is **Bank Holiday on Monday** - so do not accidentally come into school!

Mrs Elliott

★ Stars of the Week ★

In our Friday Celebration Assembly we have been celebrating children who have shown respect and tolerance; positively celebrating how we are all different:

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Rosey S	Elliott S	Julius C	Harry E	Florence N	Eduard P	Natalie B

Many thanks to **Isla W** for presenting the assembly with me this morning.

Attendance

Attendance and punctuality are very important and we have class targets of 96%+. Please make sure that the children attend every day to ensure their class can achieve their targets. Holidays during term-time will not be authorised, this includes those where we are notified both before and after they occur.

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95%	99%	97%	99%	96%	96%	100%
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Year 1 Outdoor Space

The Year 1 team would like to thank everyone who has donated items for the renovation of our outside area. Our aim is to create a beautiful outdoor learning space for our Year 1 children to use during the Summer months. It is coming along nicely, although we are still in need of more compost for planting. Please get in touch if anyone has some bags they are happy to send our way or indeed any outdoor equipment that the children could use for planting, sitting, learning etc. We would be very grateful.



East Peckham's Mini-Marathon

Over the past two weeks, we have all taken part in the Mini London Schools Marathon. Each class successfully completed a two-mile run, with every participant receiving a certificate. The school has also been awarded a Mini Marathon trophy, which will be proudly displayed in the reception area. Many thanks to the Sports Captains (**Kieran F**, **Phoebe G**, **Jack H** and **Isla W**) for presenting this to us in assembly, and to Mrs Askew for organising the fun!



Rhinos School Trip

On Thursday Year 3 visited Tyland Barn Nature Reserve, where they enjoyed a fantastic day of outdoor learning. The children explored different types of rocks, learned about rock formations, and discovered how rocks change over time. They also studied plants, including the different parts of a plant, before exploring the reserve to identify a variety of plants and flowers. With beautiful sunny weather, it was a fun and memorable day for everyone - many thanks to all of the staff and parents who came along to help.



Eco News

As the final part of our Green Flag award, the Eco Warriors would like to take part in a rewilding project. They would like to use the area of the school outside Year 1 and Year 2 (where parents wait to collect children at the end of the day) which they could transform with wild flowers, bug hotels and bird boxes. If you have any of the above at home that you would be happy to donate we would be very grateful. Here is the 'before' photograph which looks quite empty and lacking in colour, and we can't wait to share with you the 'after' photo!



Reminder: Upcoming PTA Events

CHALLENGE 2026

...TO RAISE £20.26 FOR EAST PECKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THROUGH WHICHEVER METHOD YOU CHOOSE!

SPONSORED...
Swim, Run, Read, Silence, Litterpick, Skip

CHORES...
Wash the car, pick up leaves, Hoover the house

MAKE AND SELL...
Bake and sell cakes
Auction your artwork, poems or stories, grow and sell plants

BE CREATIVE

HAND IN OR SUBMIT YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS BY FRIDAY 5TH JUNE 2026

Prizes for:
-Highest amount -Most creative - Most activities - Highest class total
Plus 10% of what your class raises goes to your class teacher to spend for the class!

QUIZ NIGHT!

Friday 5th June
7.30 - 10pm

Tickets £6 per person

When booking on Arbor please write your team name in the comments

Or write "no team" and we will allocate you into a team.

★ Max team size of 6 ★

Drinks will be available at the bar!

Reminder: PE/Swimming/Forest School/FOSIL Timetable for Terms 5 and 6

We appreciate that there are a lot of things to remember to bring in during the summer terms, as we will have PE, swimming and Forest School (Year R)/FOSIL (Years 1-6) so we are trying to find a way to help our parents prepare their children with bringing in the correct clothing/equipment. We have attempted to list the events each week in a calendar format, where if your child's class is not listed it means for them to wear school uniform as normal. This will also help us to communicate changes should they need to happen for any reason, and this will be listed in **red**, just like the 'Dates for your Diary' section. The days of the week that items are needed are mainly consistent, but due to short weeks or other events there may have to be small tweaks. **PE** is outdoor for all classes, unless stated in the table. We would appreciate your feedback on this. Details about what is required for each activity can be found below this section.

Monday 4th May	Tuesday 5th	Wednesday 6th	Thursday 7th	Friday 8th
	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	YR - PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Y2 - PE
Monday 11th May	Tuesday 12th	Wednesday 13th	Thursday 14th	Friday 15th
Y1 - PE Y6 - PE	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim	YR - PE Y3 - PE	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Y2 - PE

	Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim		
Monday 18th May	Tuesday 19th	Wednesday 20th	Thursday 21st	Friday 22nd
Y1 - PE Y6 - PE	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	YR - PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Y2 - PE
Monday 25th	Tuesday 26th	Wednesday 27th	Thursday 28th	Friday 29th
Monday 1st June	Tuesday 2nd	Wednesday 3rd	Thursday 4th	Friday 5th
Y1 - PE Y6 - PE	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	YR - FSchool PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Y2 - PE
Monday 8th June	Tuesday 9th	Wednesday 10th	Thursday 11th	Friday 12th
Y1 - PE Y3 - FOSIL Y5 - FOSIL Y6 - PE	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim FOSIL Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	YR - FSchool PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Y2 - PE
Monday 15th June	Tuesday 16th	Wednesday 17th	Thursday 18th	Friday 19th
Y1 - PE Y4 - FOSIL Y6 - FOSIL	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim Y2 - Swim FOSIL Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	YR - FSchool PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Y2 - PE
Monday 22nd June	Tuesday 23rd	Wednesday 24th	Thursday 25th	Friday 26th
Y1 - PE Y3 - FOSIL Y5 - FOSIL Y6 - PE	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim FOSIL Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	YR - FSchool PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Y2 - PE
Monday 29th June	Tuesday 30th	Wednesday 1st July	Thursday 2nd	Friday 3rd
Y1 - PE Y4 - FOSIL Y6 - FOSIL	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim Y2 - Swim FOSIL Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	YR - FSchool PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Sports Day All classes - PE

Monday 6th	Tuesday 7th	Wednesday 8th	Thursday 9th	Friday 10th
Y1 - PE Y6 - FOSIL	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	YR - FSchool PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Y2 - PE
Monday 13th	Tuesday 14th	Wednesday 15th	Thursday 16th	Friday 17th
Y1 - PE	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	YR - PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim	Y4 - PE Y5 - PE	Y2 - PE

Dates for your diary

New dates added are in red. More information about the events will be shared nearer the time.

Tuesday 5th May	Penguins School Trip	Year 4
Tuesday 5th May	Parent Workshop – Understanding Autism email office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk to confirm attendance - cancelled due to low interest	All parents welcome
Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May	Primary School SATs - all Year 6 children must be in school everyday.	Year 6
Friday 15th May	Penguin's Assembly	Year 4 parents
Friday 15th May	Years 5 & 6 Football event at Tonbridge Angels	Years 5 and 6
Friday 22nd May	End of Term 5	Whole school
Thursday 4th June	Meerkats School Trip	Year 2
Friday 5th June	PTA Quiz	All welcome
Monday 8th June	Lemurs School Trip	Reception
Tuesday 23rd June	Lions School Trip - details to follow next week	Year 5
Friday 3rd July	Sports Day	Whole school
Saturday 4th July	Summer Fair	Everyone welcome
Thursday 16th July	Year 5 Fundraiser - Colour Run (details tbc)	Everyone welcome
Friday 17th July	End of Term 6	Whole school

Designated Safeguarding Team

Mr Atkins - Mrs Elliott - Miss Ray - Mrs Sinden - Miss Worrall

Please notify any of the team if you have any concerns via dsl@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk

Contact us

Headteacher - **Mrs Kate Elliott**
Chair of Governors - **Mrs Katie Bennett**

<https://www.east-peckham.kent.sch.uk/>
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PRIZES TO BE WON

TUESDAY 26TH MAY 9AM - 3PM
WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY
THURSDAY 28TH MAY

AGES 4-13

MAY SOCCER SCHOOL

UEFA

HUGH CHRISTIE SCHOOL
3G PITCH
TONBRIDGE
KENT
TN10 4PU

£22 PER DAY
£40 TWO DAYS
£56 THREE DAYS

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Parent Workshop

Understanding Neurodiversity

19/05/2026 10:30 -12:30pm

*Workshop timings change from term to term to

Do you have questions about neurodiversity? Maybe you would like to build on your understanding of children's different ways of experiencing the world. Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to support your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding neurodiversity. We also discuss helpful strategies that you can use at home to help support your child.

If you would like to join, please [click the link below](#) or by entering the Meeting ID and Passcode within Teams:

[Understanding Neurodiversity | Meeting with Microsoft Teams](#)

Our workshops are held on Microsoft Teams. You can create an account for free. You will need access to the internet. If you have any questions please speak to your child's school. Currently, this workshop is only available to parents/carers of children attending an EWT/EST school. Please speak to your child's school or check our website for our list of schools. If you require materials in another language or have any other access needs then please email:

EWTandESTenquiries@nhs.uk

We look forward to meeting you



INTERNATIONAL WELLBING TEAM
FUNCTIONAL SUPPORT TEAM
MEDWAY

Please call for more information 0300 300 1955