



East Peckham Primary School

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Newsletter

Term 6 Week 1

Friday 5th June 2026

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to term 6! The sun has continued to shine as the children returned to school, allowing the peer mediators to lead activities in the playground - we are so grateful for the value that they add at playtime. We love the excitement and frenzy of term 6 as there is something new and different happening every week - but it does require a lot of organisation and inevitable tweaking, so please keep an eye on the newsletters in case things change. We try to provide information regularly, and with a good amount of notice, but not too much notice so that things are forgotten! This week you will be finding out about the arrangements for the Summer Fair, the Colour Run and the Fathers Day Breakfast, so please read all the way to the end of the newsletter. Information about Sports Day arrangements will be made available mid-way through the month. Many thanks to everyone who heard our call-to-arms to support the PTA and will be joining us for the Quiz this evening - we really do appreciate it. Many thanks in advance to Mr and Mrs Dunlop for what looks to be a delightfully challenging evening! Lastly, we are pleased to share that ice creams are back! If you would like to purchase an ice cream at the end of the day, then please bring £1 cash or make a donation via the 'Ice Cream' button in the School Shop on Arbor. Have a wonderful weekend,



Mrs Elliott

★ Stars of the Week ★

In our Friday Celebration Assembly we have been celebrating children who have made the most of every opportunity:

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Everleigh G	Arthur R	Poppy R	Murphy T	Esmé W Italia D	Alex M	Jason V

Many thanks to **George R** for leading the assembly with me this morning.

Attendance

Attendance and punctuality are very important and we have class targets of 96%+. Holidays during term-time will not be authorised, this includes those where we are notified both before and after they occur. Please find here a link to the term dates on the school website which are published at least a year in advance: <https://www.east-peckham.kent.sch.uk/term-dates>

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
94%	99%	94%	96%	96%	96%	95%
☹️	😊	☹️	😊	😊	😊	☹️

Swimming Gala

Congratulations to all of the children who represented the school at the Tonbridge School's Swimming Gala this week. It is a real accomplishment to swim in front of a gallery full of people, so we are very proud of all of their efforts from the start of the warm up to the end of the squadron relay! Well done to



Natalie B, Phoebe G, Alex M, Kodey P and Natty S, and a special mention to Ambrose A for winning gold in 25m backstroke, Sidney G for bronze in 25m breaststroke, Violet M for silver in 25m breaststroke, Sofia P for silver in 25m backstroke and Isla W for bronze in 25m freestyle. Many thanks to all of the staff who attended - and who support us every week with our swimming lessons.



Uniform - specifically swimming kit

A gentle reminder to support your children to follow our school uniform policy at all times. After the half term holiday we have had children return with fake nails, painted nails and hair wraps - please can these be removed as soon as possible.

Also, to protect our swimming pool, please can we ask for costumes to not have diamontes as they are becoming loose and sticking to the pool floor/inside the filter. Also, costumes should be one piece - no bikinis please.

Summer Fair Preparations

Come and join us for our **World Cup Inspired Summer Fair** on **Saturday 4th July 2026** between **12:00pm and 3:00pm**. It will be lots of fun, filled with stalls for parents and children to interact with, including **Alcohol Tombola**, **Chocolate Tombola**, **Bouncy Castle** and lots more. The **Crockery Smash** will be taking a rest this year - but new stalls will be arriving - watch this space! There will also be food and drink available throughout the day, including **hot food** and **cold drinks/ice-cream!**

Please spread the word and invite all of your friends and family. Also, if you would like to hang a poster for us, it could be in your house window or in your place of work, then please drop by the office to collect a copy.

HELP:

Contributions

We would be really grateful for any contributions of:

- Alcohol bottles
- Chocolate gifts
- Raffle prizes

Support

We can only run these events if we have people to help run the stalls. If you can volunteer to run a stall from 12pm-3pm, then please notify the school office. If a group of parents work together then it would only be a short amount of time each to keep the stall open.

We also need some **face painting heroes** - this is the most difficult stall to manage, and needs people to commit for long periods of time. If you can fill this roll, then please let us know.

We would also appreciate some help after Sports Day on Friday 3rd July to begin setting up some of the stalls - again, please notify the school office if you can help.

Gazebos

We are also looking for a few gazebos to borrow on the day (because it will, of course, be sunny!). If you are able to lend one to the school (ideally with help to put it up too) then please let the school office know.

Advertising

We are more than happy to receive support from businesses with links to the school - if you can offer any support, then please do contact the school.

ACTIVITIES:

Egg Chuck

We are very pleased to announce that the **East Peckham Egg Chuck** is back - but with a World Cup Twist! Please sign up in advance if you want to join in to win the coveted Egg Chuck Trophy! Entry fee is just £2 a pair (please choose your partner wisely!) - and sign both of your names up on the list **as well as your preferred Country** (if this has gone we may have to randomly allocate - so sign up quickly to grab your preferred Country!), which will be available after school or at the school office. *Please note; we need to be told in advance so that we can buy enough eggs.*

Raffle

We are also holding a raffle and tickets will be sent home shortly for you to purchase (or pass on to friends or relatives). We would also be grateful for any contributions towards the raffle - please email the office - many thanks in advance.



Father's Day Breakfast

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Friday 19th June

Dear Dads and Grandads,

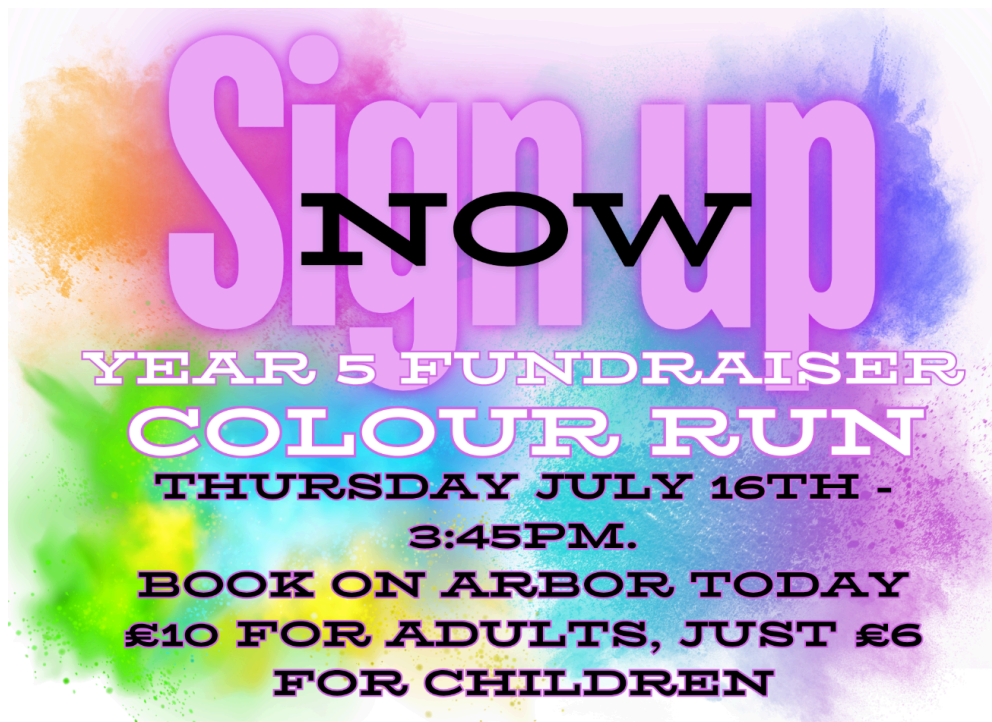
We would like to invite you into school to share breakfast with your children! On Friday 19th June, the school hall will be open from 7:30 until 8:45 for you to enjoy a hearty sausage or bacon sandwich together, before the children go in to start their school day. So that we are aware of how much food to buy please could we ask you to sign up in advance on Arbor. We will do our best to accommodate those who forget to sign up on Arbor in advance by taking cash on the door, but please book to avoid disappointment! Tea and coffee will be available for free, with donations always welcome. We do hope you can join us as it is always such

7:30am - 8:45am

Sign up on Arbor now

a lovely event and it really sets the children up for a good day! For those of you who have to leave early, the classrooms will be open a little earlier from 8:15 to receive the children. Enjoy!

Year 5 Fundraiser - Colour Run!



The Year 5s would like to invite all children and their parents to join in with a **colour** run! The event will be held in the school playground on Thursday 16th July at 3:45pm and is open to all. The challenge is to complete the course, while having bursts of **colour** being gently thrown at you as you run/jog/walk. There is a sign-up cost of £10 per adult, and £6 per child, which covers the cost of the powder paint and a pair of protective sunglasses (which you get to keep!) and any funds raised will go towards future school projects. Please be advised that this is a fun, but messy event, so children (and any parents who want to join in - and other families members are welcome to sign up too) will need to wear completely old clothes, including shoes, which may be stained by the colour - most runners wear a white t-shirt to see the pattern that the colour makes. To help we will be having an 'Own, Old Clothes Day' on this day, for all children to attend school in their least finest clothing! To see if there is enough interest in the event please can we ask you to sign up via Arbor, under 'school shop'. Now the important bits...

- **A waiver must be signed by every participant** - these will be available from the school office / sent home once we acknowledge the booking on Arbor.
- **The deadline is Tuesday 30th June** as we need at least 2 weeks to order in all of the paint and glasses - so sign up quickly to avoid disappointment
- The course can be as long or as short as you wish it to be - so please do not be concerned about fitness - it is the taking part that counts!
- The bathrooms will not be available, including for the children after school closes at 3:30pm, so please go before you arrive!

Also, for an additional £2 in cash, funnels of **colour** will be available for bystanders to gently throw at competitors on the way round!

Year 6 Transition Workshop

The NHS Emotional Wellbeing Team have an online workshop on Wednesday 10th June, from 10:30 - 12:30pm, aimed at Year 6 parents and supporting your child with their transition to secondary school. Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for further details and to sign up.

Meerkats Trip

Year 2 enjoyed a fantastic day at Rye Harbour Nature Reserve. During their visit, they explored the strandline and discovered a variety of natural treasures, including spider crab shells, cuttlefish, slipper limpets, and an assortment of other shells. They also took part in pebble tapping, experimenting with the different sounds they could create. The day ended with some birdwatching and a closer examination of their findings using magnifying glasses. Despite experiencing some of the windiest weather the reserve staff had encountered, they all had a wonderful time and thoroughly enjoyed their outdoor learning experience. Many thanks to all of the staff and parents who accompanied the children on the trip.



Eco News

We are so proud of our Eco Warriors and Ambassadors, and their achievements this year! We really do want to thank them for their hard work and dedication. We couldn't have achieved any of this without them. Our Green Flag award can now be seen in the conservatory, so do have a look when you visit the office.

A message from the PTA

Just an update on Challenge 2026: £588 on the page so far, but we know lots more has been raised in cash/other donations already, so really well done to everyone who has taken on the challenge. There is still time for pupils to do something if they haven't already and contribute to this and their class total (reminder there's prizes for highest class total and 10% raised for each class goes to the class teacher to spend for their class). If you would like to join us at our village fete stall on 13th June to complete your challenge (selling items or taking on a particular challenge) just let us know so we can arrange space:

pta@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/eppschallenge2026>

Forms and money to be returned to school on Monday 15th, with final deadline for hand in on Friday 19th when totals will be counted - and if you need a new form just ask.

Reminder: PTA Name Tags



Further to our message last week about lost property items, the PTA have shared details of a company who provides name tags. If you choose to purchase from them, a percentage also goes to the PTA for school fundraising efforts. Please read the poster at the end of the newsletter or follow the QR code for more details. PS There are still a number of unclaimed items on the rack - so please do check before Friday otherwise we will pass them on to charity / 2nd hand collection.



Reminder: Kent Art Competition

KENT ART COMPETITION

Please do get involved with the Kent Art Competition - details of which were shared in a letter this week (full poster at the end of the newsletter). The competition is for children aged 4–11 and challenges young people to create a piece of art inspired by farming, farm animals or the countryside. Each entrant will receive 1 free child's ticket and 1 free adult ticket for the entrant and a parent/guardian to attend the Kent County Show and see their work of art on display!

Artwork submitted should be on an a4 sheet of paper and can be in any medium including paint, paper, collage etc. If you have any questions then please get in touch with Mrs Gardiner, Art subject lead.

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

Monday 8th June	Tuesday 9th	Wednesday 10th	Thursday 11th	Friday 12th
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 15th June	Tuesday 16th	Wednesday 17th	Thursday 18th	Friday 19th
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 22nd June	Tuesday 23rd	Wednesday 24th	Thursday 25th	Friday 26th
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 29th June	Tuesday 30th	Wednesday 1st July	Thursday 2nd	Friday 3rd
All classes - PE	All classes - PE YR - Swim Y1 - Swim Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim	All classes - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Swim	All classes - PE	Sports Day All classes - PE - in house colour tops if possible.
Monday 6th	Tuesday 7th	Wednesday 8th	Thursday 9th	Friday 10th
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 Y3 - PE

Monday 13th	Tuesday 14th	Wednesday 15th	Thursday 16th	Friday 17th
Y1 - PE Y6 - Residential	YR - Swim Y1 - Swim Y2 - Swim Y3 - Swim Y5 - Swim Y6 - Residential	YR - PE Y3 - PE Y4 - Swim Y6 - Residential	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.

Monday 8th June	Lemurs School Trip	Reception
Friday 19th June	Fathers Day Breakfast - details tbc	All welcome
Friday 19th June	Rhinos Assembly	Year 3
Saturday 20th June	Closing date for the Kent Art Competition	Whole school
Monday 22nd June	No school-led after school clubs due to staff training	Whole school
Tuesday 23rd June	Lions School Trip	Year 5
Monday 29th June	Healthy Week - PE kits all week	Whole school
Friday 3rd July	No assembly	Whole school
Friday 3rd July	Sports Day from 12:00pm	Whole school
Saturday 4th July	Summer Fair	Everyone welcome
Tuesday 7th July	Dolphins Trip	Year 6
Wednesday 8th July	RockSteady Concert	Parents welcome
Wednesday 8th July	EPS Awards	Parents invited directly
Friday 10th July	No assembly	Whole school
Friday 10th July	Chelsea Football Club coaching session	Year 2 & 3
Friday 10th July	Y6 Leavers Awards @ 1:15pm-2:00pm	Y6 parents welcome
Monday 13th-Wednesday 15th July	Residential Trip	Year 6

Wednesday 15th July	RockSteady Concert	Parents welcome
Thursday 16th July	Drumming Concert	Parents welcome
Thursday 16th July	Year 5 Fundraiser - Colour Run (details tbc)	Everyone welcome
Friday 17th July	Final Assembly of the Year (for all all summer holiday birthdays and final reading certificates)	Parents 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/>
01622 871268

KENT ART COMPETITION

THE KENT COUNTY SHOW
With Trail Blazers
FOR AGES 4-11

EVERY ENTRANT will receive one free child and one free adult ticket to The Kent County Show at Detling Showground.

1st Prize: Win a Trail Blazers Fishing Party or Forest Adventure Experience for you and 9 friends
2nd Prize: Receive a one to one fishing lesson and a two day fishing pass at a Trail Blazers Lake
3rd Prize: Win a family ticket to Goodwin Tractor-Fest for two adults and two children for the 15th or 16th August

ENTER BY 20th JUNE TO BE IN WITH YOUR CHANCE TO WIN!

MY NAMETAGS

NO MORE LOST ITEMS!

Our nametags are perfect to label all of your child's possessions. From clothing to shoes, stationery, toys - everything is identified!

4.8/5 ON TRUSTPILOT

STICKERS STAY ON IN THE WASH!

NO SEWING REQUIRED

QUEEN'S AWARD WINNER

UK MARKET LEADER FOR 20 YEARS

School ID: **30813**

**Blank ask your school for your School ID*

NHS
Kent and Medway
Mental Health
NHS Trust

Parent Workshop

Helping Your Child Move to Secondary School

10/06/2026 10:30-12:30pm

*Workshop timings change from term to term to

Is your child moving to secondary school? Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to support your child with this step in their lives?

You are invited to a workshop which thinks about how to prepare and support your child with this move. We will consider challenges and concerns and discuss techniques that you can use at home to help them feel ready for the move ahead.

If you would like to join, please ctrl + click the link below or by entering the Meeting ID and Passcode within Teams:

Starting Secondary School | Meeting Join | 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: EWandSTenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk

We look forward to meeting you

EMOTIONAL WELLBEING TEAM KENT
EMOTIONAL SUPPORT TEAM
WOLVERTON



KICK OFF YOUR SUMMER!

AT

EAST PECKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL'S

WORLD CUP INSPIRED



Summer Fair



SATURDAY 4TH JULY
12PM - 3PM

- FUN STALLS
- BOUNCY CASTLE
- GAMES AND ACTIVITIES
- AMERICAN AND MEXICAN THEMED FOOD
- LICENSED BAR
- BIG PRIZE RAFFLE



AND THE RETURN OF THE 'EGGCITING' EGG CHUCK COMPETITION!

