East Peckham Primary School

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Newsletter

Term 2 Week 1 Friday 6th November 2026



Dear parents and carers,
Congratulations to our first 'Every Piece Supports' cake winner, **Bella P**, who goes home with a delicious chocolate cake, made by **Mrs Buckland** - many thanks for being our first baker. If you would like to bake a cake for future weeks then please email the office - absolutely no expertise required, just lots of enthusiasm and sprinkles! It has been a busy week with lots to share in this newsletter, but normal lessons continue too. For example, Year 1 have been learning about addition fact families. They have been working so hard this week, using counters and part whole models to support their reasoning and understanding. Mrs Sutcliffe and Miss Simpson were so proud of the children's effort that they insisted I share this in the newsletter. Well done Otters! **Please be reminded that we have individual/sibling school photographs on Monday, so please can children come to school wearing their smart school uniform.** It is PE day for Years 1, 2 and 6, where the lesson for Year 1 and 2 will be adapted so that they can wear uniform, but please could Year 6 children bring in a PE kit to change into. Wishing you a wonderful weekend,



Mrs Elliott

⭐ Stars of the Week ⭐

In our Friday Celebration Assembly we have been celebrating children for a range of reasons this week, chosen by the class teaching teams:

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Bonnie B	**Theo B**	**Elliott S**	**Katie R**	**Harry E**	**Lily J**	**Andreea I**

Many thanks to **Year 6** for leading the Remembrance assembly this morning - please find out more below.

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
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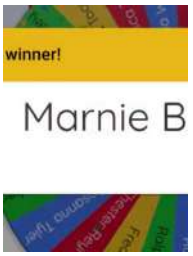
Remembrance Assembly led by Year 6

After learning about the Battle of Britain in their history lessons last term, Dolphins Class were inspired to dedicate this year's Remembrance Assembly to the brave pilots who risked their lives in the fight above the skies of Kent. Each child wrote a postcard to a Battle of Britain pilot - known as 'The Few' - and many of these were read out in assembly today.



Year 5/6 Fundraising - the East Peckham Grand Prix

WOW! What a Fundraiser! In true fun, memory-making style we held the East Peckham Grand Prix on the first day of term. It was a lot of fun, with the racers having to visit pit stops which involved popping all of their colour balloons, throwing bean bags, hula-hooping, wearing silly accessories and, the most difficult of all, eating a donut without licking your lips! If you have a Facebook account then you can watch the race here. Many thanks to the Y5/6 team who led each pit stop, as well as ensuring that every racer went through the bubbly car wash too. It was a close race, but unfortunately a few penalty points had to be awarded: for **Berserk Birkett**'s cutting of corners, **Burning Braybrook**'s tilted helmet not meeting strict regulations, **Diesel Duffield** rear-ending **Atomic Atkins** shortly after he received his own time penalty for pulling an illegal wheelie! After the times were calculated, and penalties deducted, **Turbo Thompsett** was victorious! We then put all of the names in the random name generator and **Marnie B** was selected as the winner of the Grand Prix themed hamper! We hope the children enjoyed themselves, as well as raising just under £100 for the school - and please enjoy a few photos from the event.





Parking around the school



This week we have again received complaints about parking around the school, and on Thursday morning parking enforcement officers were present, likely in response to those complaints. While the school did not request their presence, we will always support measures to keep our children safe. So to avoid injury to our children and families, as well as to avoid conflict with the parking enforcement officers, please park responsibly. Spaces are available further down the road, away from the corner of Pound Road and Church Lane or in the car park at Jubilee Hall. Alternatively, please park further away from the school and include a morning walk into your family's routine, as fresh air and exercise better prepares the children for a productive day!

Chelsea Football Workshops for Year 3 and Year 4

On Friday the Player Development Programme Coordinator from Chelsea Football Club visited our school to deliver an exciting football session for our Year 3 and 4 pupils. The children were fully engaged throughout, showing great enthusiasm, teamwork and a positive attitude. It was a fantastic experience for everyone involved, providing the children with an enjoyable opportunity to develop their football skills, build confidence and learn from a professional coach. A big thank you to Chelsea Football Club for such a positive and memorable experience!







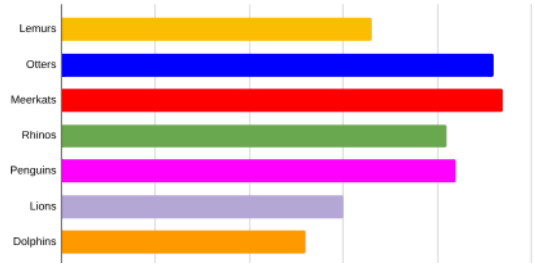

Many thanks to **Phoebe G** (now Year 7) for coming back to help too. Our Year 5 footballers are also at a tournament today, and next week we will share how they got on.

Parent Questionnaire - Your child's experience

At East Peckham Primary School we are committed to continually improving the education and experiences we provide for every child. One of the most important ways we do this is by listening to the views of our families. We would be very grateful if you could spare just a few minutes to complete our Parent Survey using this link to a Google form. To avoid the questionnaire being too lengthy we have split our questions (which are based on OFSTED-style questioning) into these questions about your child's experience at school which will help us to understand how children feel about school and their learning, and in the Spring we will ask you to complete another survey about working together, helping us to strengthen

communication and our partnership with our families. Your feedback helps us to celebrate what is working well and identify where we can continue to improve. As always, whilst we welcome your responses to the survey, we would also encourage you to speak to us directly if you ever have a question, concern or suggestion. We believe that the best outcomes are achieved through open, honest and respectful communication, and we will always do our best to help. Thank you for your continued support of our school and for working in partnership with us to ensure the very best for all of our children.

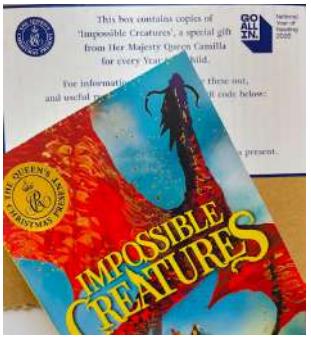
PageTicker Challenge



We are into the first week of our Reading Challenge and we can see that the children are doing their utmost to be avid readers and work towards the bronze, silver and gold certificates! The logs will be recorded throughout the whole of November so that we can hand out certificates shortly after to celebrate their achievements. Although the children are working towards their own certificates, the staff are also utilising the website and monitoring the types of book being chosen as well as whole class participation and when we reviewed the website on Thursday we could see that Year 2 were in the lead, just ahead of Year 1! Well done everyone!

A gift from HRH Queen Camilla





This week the Year 6 children received an early Christmas gift from HRH Queen Camilla. The Queen's Christmas Present celebrates the National Year of Reading 2026 – the biggest campaign in a generation designed to inspire every child, young person and adult to discover the joy of reading and embed it into everyday life. The programme, in partnership with the National Literacy Trust, of which Her Majesty is Patron, aims to ignite and embed a transformational love of reading.





Emma's Kitchen Menu

Apologies on behalf of Emma's Kitchen for the delay in updating the dates on the menu for this term. The menu is very similar to last term, however there are some small changes. Arbor was updated as soon as we received the menu - apologies again for the delay.

AUTUMN MENU 2026

Emma's Kitchen
Cooking With Love

WEEK ONE W/C: 2/11, 23/11, 14/12

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Pesto Pasta {1,9} MEAT FREE MONDAY	Chicken Fajita Nacho Rice Bowl {9,11}	Red Tractor Roast Gammon	Creamy Garlic One Pot Chicken {9}	Pork and Beef Sausage {1,14}
VEGETARIAN OPTION	Tomato and Basil Pasta {1}	Butternut Squash and Chickpea Fajita Nacho Rice Bowl {11}	Melty Mushroom Puff {1,9}	Lentil and Roasted Red Pepper Curry	Vegan Sausage {1}
JACKET POTATO FILLING	Cheese{9} Beans	Cheese{9} Tuna {7}	Cheese{9} Beans	Cheese {9} Beans	Cheese{9} Beans
SIDES	Garlic Bread {1} Salad Bar	50/50 Rice Sweetcorn and Peas	Roast Potatoes Carrots Broccoli Bread Roll {1}	Mini Jacket Potatoes Green Beans	Chips Baked Beans
DESSERT	Fruit Crumble {1} Custard {9}	Fruit Yoghurt {9}	Fruit Salad	Oaty Cookies {1}	Chocolate Cake {1,7}

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WEEK TWO W/C: 9/11, 30/11

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Hidden Veg Pasta Bake {1,9} MEAT FREE MONDAY	Slow Cooked Pork Sausage Ragu {1,14}	Roast Herby Chicken	Beef Burritos {1,9,11}	Fish Fingers {1,4}
VEGETARIAN OPTION	Cheese Omelette {7,9}	Chickpea and Squash Ragu	Vegetable Crumble {1}	Mixed Bean and Halloumi Burritos {1,9,11}	Mozzarella Sticks {1,9}
JACKET POTATO FILLING	Cheese{9} Beans	Tuna {7} Beans	Cheese {9} Tuna {7}	Cheese {9} Beans	Cheese {9} Beans
SIDES	Garlic Ciabatta {1} Salad Bar	Pasta {1} Leeks Cabbage	Roast Potatoes Root Veg Medley Bread Roll {1}	Lightly Spiced Rice Sweetcorn	Chips Peas
DESSERT	Fresh Fruit	Fruity Flapjack	Fruit Jelly	Orange and Treacle {1,7}	Chocolate Cookies {1,7}

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WEEK THREE W/C: 16/11, 7/12

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	PIZZA CLUB Pepperoni Pizza {1,9}	Chicken Tikka Masala {9}	Toad In The Hole {1,7,9,14}	BBQ Pulled Pork with Mac'n'Cheese {1,9}	Chicken Nuggets {1}
VEGETARIAN OPTION	MEAT FREE MONDAY Margherita Pizza {1,9}	Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry	Veggie Toad In The Hole {1,7,9,14}	Mac'n'Cheese {1,9}	Veggie Nuggets {1}
JACKET POTATO FILLING	Cheese {9} Beans	Tuna {7} Beans	Cheese {9} Beans	Cheese {9} Beans	Cheese {9} Beans
SIDES	Pizza Rice Peas and Sweetcorn	50/50 Rice Salad Bar Naan Bread {1,9}	Mashed Potato Peas Carrots Gravy	Garlic Bread {1} Peas and Green Beans	Fries Peas
DESSERT	Tutti Frutti Yoghurt {9} Fresh Fruit	Blueberry Cake {1,7}	Cheese, Crackers and Grapes {1,9}	St Clements Shortbread {1}	Old School Sprinkle Cake {1,7}

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Reminder: EPS Cake Raffle - Every Piece Supports!



For just £1 per ticket (available on Arbor), you will have the chance to take home a delicious homemade cake while helping to raise money for our school. We are also looking for families who would be willing to bake at least one cake during the school year. Whether it is a Victoria sponge, chocolate cake, lemon drizzle or your own favourite recipe, we would love your support. Baking just one cake can make a real difference and helps keep this fundraiser running. If you'd like to volunteer to bake, please contact the school office and we will add you to our baking rota. Thank you for supporting East Peckham Primary School - every piece really does support!

Reminder: Christmas Preparation

Apologies for discussing Christmas in October, but we have had a few enquiries about the Nativity already! We will repeat this section every week, adding more details as we get closer to each event - so please check back for changes.

- **Winter Own Clothes Day** - On **Friday 20th November**, children are invited to come to school wearing their own clothes in exchange for a bottle or sweet treat for the Tombola stalls at the Christmas Fair.
- **Christmas Fair Raffle** - We will be sending out raffle tickets nearer the time, but if you would like to volunteer a prize then please email office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk and we will pass your kind donation on to the person co-ordinating the raffle.
- **Christmas Fair Stalls** - This event takes place on **Saturday 5th December**, and we think we have space for about 2 more stalls, so if you or anyone you know of is interested then please do pass on our details and ask them to contact us at fundraising@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk
- **Christmas Fair Volunteers** - If you would like to volunteer to help at this event, please email fundraising@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk or let Mrs Elliott know on the gate.
- **EYFS/KS1 Nativity** - The dates for this will be **Monday 14th** and **Tuesday 15th December**, and will likely both be in the afternoon we will confirm nearer the time.
- **Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day** - This will be on **Wednesday 16th December** with more details to follow nearer the time. There is no payment or item request for this day - it is just for fun! But please do book your child's Christmas Dinner on Arbor!

Reminder: Winter Fireworks Helpers



If you would like to help out at the Fireworks event on Saturday 14th November, then please email directly on pta@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk - we are looking for volunteers to wear hi-viz jackets and direct people to where they may need to be (or not be!). Volunteering means that your admission is paid for - and we are truly grateful because without you these events just cannot go ahead. Please do not feel that there is a high level of commitment required, we really do just need people on the night! The Wall family and the Atkins family are covering the food, Miss Ray and Mrs Duffield are leading the bar, the Elliott family are covering the entrance gate, the Jahanshahi family have organised the fun children's stall and the Swift family have got the entertainment covered - so now we just need you to help with marshalling the event. Many thanks in advance!

Reminder: PE

Please ensure your child comes to school in PE kit on these days:

	Term 2 - PE
Year R	Formal PE begins later in the year.
Year 1	Monday (indoor) & Tuesday (indoor)
Year 2	Monday (indoor) & Friday (indoor)
Year 3	Wednesday (outdoor) & Thursday (outdoor)
Year 4	Tuesday (outdoor) & Thursday (outdoor)
Year 5	Wednesday (outdoor) & Friday (outdoor)
Year 6	Monday (outdoor) & Tuesday (outdoor)

Dates for your diary

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

Monday 9th Nov	Individual/Sibling Photographs	Whole school
Thursday 12th Nov	Football match	Selected players
Saturday 14th Nov	Winter Fireworks Event	Community welcome
Tuesday 17th Nov	National Child Measurement Program	Year R and Year 6
Friday 20th Nov	Own-Clothes Day - in exchange for a bottle or sweet treat gift for the Christmas Fair.	Whole school
Wednesday 25th Nov	Open Evening	2027 parents
Thursday 26th Nov	Open Morning	2027 parents
Monday 30th Nov	Last week of clubs this term	Whole school
Saturday 5th Dec	Christmas Fair	Whole school
Tuesday 8th Dec	Assembly led by Christian Church group	Whole school
Monday 14th Dec Tuesday 15th Dec	Nativity - details tbc nearer the time. Both performances for the parents are in the afternoon.	Year R, 1 and 2
Wednesday 16th Dec	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day	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** https://www.east-peckham.kent.sch.uk/
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