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Newsletter

Term 1 Week 1

Friday 5th September 2025

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back!

It has been wonderful to see the children back to start a brand new school year. They all look as if they have grown a few inches in the past 6 weeks, and they have been sharing stories about how wonderful their summer holidays were. We have heard stories of how some of us went to see places of historical significance, and this has fit nicely into our 'Quality of the Week' about learning from previous experiences. We can learn so much from the past, and we want the children to learn from their past too, celebrating what went well and bringing that forward with them into the new school year, but also learning from our mistakes and endeavouring to not repeat these. For families who are new to the school, we celebrate children who have demonstrated our 'Quality of the Week' in our Friday assembly @ 8:50am - and all parents are welcome to join if they are free (but we will contact parents directly if their child has been chosen to receive a certificate).



Next week we will be having our 'Meet the Teacher' evenings at the end of the day or in the early evening on Tuesday (Y2/Y5), Wednesday (Y1/Y4) and Thursday (Y3/Y6). Please do not worry if you are unable to attend, any information will be emailed out to the whole class after the meeting has taken place.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Elliott

★ Stars of the Week ★

In our Friday Celebration Assembly we have been celebrating children who have learnt from previous experiences:

Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Oscar R	Florence W	Lydia M	Oscar L	Marshall T	Kaelum S

Many thanks to **Mark N** for joining me to present assembly today.

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.

Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99%	96%	94%	95%	97%	98%
😊	😊	😞	😞	😊	😊

Year 6 Horse Racing Fundraiser



The Year 6 team have started the year with a very exciting fundraising idea - a horse race! We will be turning the playground into a race course and we will be joined by 3 spectacular thoroughbreds, who we have re-named Dashing Duffield, Blazing Braybrook and Ambling Atkins for the event. Slips will be coming home next week, inviting you to donate £1 to bet (donate) on one of the horses for the event. You can also bet (donate) via Arbor. Once the race is finished, we will then select a winner at random from those who bet on (donated via) the winning horse - where there will be a spectacular horse-themed prize! You can always place more than 1 bet to increase your chances of winning - and you can bet on different horses too! All proceeds from this event will be going

to the school. The race itself will be taking place straight after school at 2:00pm on Friday 3rd October, so we would encourage everyone who is picking up to stay behind to watch - it promises to be fun! Apologies in advance if it causes a delay to end of day dismissal.

Please note: As with everything at EPS, we like to create a bit of fun for the children so things are not always as they seem, so please do not be alarmed about animal welfare in this case... but similarly, please do not speculate about the event with the children, including the Year 6s themselves - and I would recommend that you do join us from 1:55pm to get a good spot to watch!

Attendance Prize for Term 1

We are very pleased to share that we have been gifted 2 complimentary tickets to [Extreme Robots](#) at Mote Park, Maidstone in October and we will be offering these as attendance prizes this term. The event takes place on the weekend of the 11th/12th October, so we will announce the winner on Friday 3rd October - keep this weekend free in case your child is the winner! If you cannot make it then please do pass on to someone else - it is too good an opportunity to waste! A reminder about how our attendance prizes work - every child who attends for a full week from Monday to Friday will have their name entered into the draw to win. If a child is off, they will still have a chance of re-entering the following week, but obviously the more full weeks of attendance mean more entries into the draw! Good luck - and many thanks to Extreme Robots for their kind donation - and if you want to buy tickets you can get 20% using the details on the flyer at the end of the newsletter.



Menu

Please find below the menu from Emma's Kitchen, it is just a reminder of what was emailed directly before term started. We are very grateful to Emma for supporting our 'Meat-Free Mondays' which is a step that the school has taken towards following our Climate and Sustainability Plan - this is something that our Year 6 Eco-Warriors will be sharing more information about with you soon.



AUTUMN MENU 2025

Emma's Kitchen
Cooking With Love

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WEEK ONE W/C: 1/9, 22/9, 13/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	PASTA CLUB Mac'N'Cheese (1,9) <small>NEW! FREE MONDAY</small>	Cowboy Hotpot	Toad In The Hole (1,14)	Hunters Chicken Nacho Bake (1,9)	Fish Fingers (1,4), Salmon Fishcakes (1,4)
VEGETARIAN OPTION	Hidden Veg Tomato Pasta (1)	Sweet Potato and Lentil Hotpot	Vegan Toad In The Hole (1)	Veggie and Halloumi Nacho Bake (1,9)	Mozzarella Sticks (1,9)
JACKET POTATO FILLING	Cheese (9) Beans	Cheese (9) Tuna (4,7,9)	Cheese (9) Beans	Cheese (9) Beans	Beans Tuna (4,7,9)
SIDES	Garlic Bread (1) Broccoli and Carrots	Sauteed Potatoes Sweetcorn Zingy Coleswal (7,9)	Creamed Mash Potato Seasonal Veg Bread Roll (1)	50/50 Rice Peas	Chips Baked Beans
DESSERT	Oat and Raisin Cookie (9)	Apple Crumble (9) Custard (9) Fresh Fruit	Fruit Jelly Fresh Fruit	Fruit Yoghurt (9) Fresh Fruit	Marble Cake (1,7,9) Fresh Fruit

ALLERGEN KEY
1 CEREALS CONTAINING GLUTEN 2 CRUSTACEANS 3 MOLLUSCS 4 FISH 5 PEANUTS 6 NUTS 7 EGGS 8 SOYABEANS 9 MILK
10 CELERY 11 MUSTARD 12 LUPIN 13 SESAME 14 SULPHITE
ALL OUR MENUS ARE PEANUT AND NUT FREE, UNLESS WE DO NOT BRING NUTS INTO THE KITCHENS. SOME PRODUCTS ARE SUBJECT TO MAY CONTAIN STATUS IN MANUFACTURING.

WEEK TWO W/C: 8/9, 29/9

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	PIZZA CLUB Veggie Volcano Pizza (1,9) <small>NEW! FREE MONDAY</small>	Pasta Bolognese (1,9)	Roast Loin Of Pork	Shawarma Chicken Kebab (9)	Fish Fingers (1,4)
VEGETARIAN OPTION	Margherita Pizza (1,9)	Quorn Bolognese (7)	Vegetable Bake (1,9)	Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry (9)	Vegan Sausage (1)
JACKET POTATO FILLING	Cheese (9) Beans	Cheese (9) Tuna (4,7,9)	Cheese (9) Beans Chilli	Cheese (9) Beans	Cheese (9) Beans
SIDES	BBQ Wedges Salad Olives and Pickles	Dough Balls (1) Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables Bread Roll (1) Gravy	Flatbread (1) Rice Salad Bar	Chips Sweetcorn
DESSERT	Very Berry Mousse (9) Fresh Fruit	Carrot Cake (1,7) Fresh Fruit	Cheese and Biscuits (1,9) Fresh Fruit	Apple Cupcakes (1,7,9) Fresh Fruit	Chocolate Cookie (1,7,9) Fresh Fruit

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	<small>NEW! FREE MONDAY</small> Quorn Lasagne (1,7,9)	Chicken Katsu Curry (1,8)	Red Tractor Roast Gammon	Sausage Rolls (1,14)	Fish Goujons (1,4)
VEGETARIAN OPTION	Cheese Omelette (7,9)	Yasal Katsu Curry (1,8)	Melty Mushroom Puff (1,9)	Vegan Sausage Rolls (1)	Vegetable Nuggets (1)
JACKET POTATO FILLING	Cheese (9) Beans	Cheese (9) Tuna (4,7,9)	Cheese (9) Beans	Cheese (9) Beans	Cheese (9) Beans
SIDES	Salad Bar Garlic Bread (1)	50/50 Rice Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables Bread Roll (1) Gravy	Potato Bites Green Beans	Fries Peas
DESSERT	Fruity Flagjack Fresh Fruit	Apple and Pear Tart Tatin (1) Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit Salad	Blueberry Muffin (1,7,9) Fresh Fruit	Ice Cream (9) Fresh Fruit

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ABOUT US

EMMA'S KITCHEN

A BUSINESS BUILT FROM A LOVE AND PASSION OF WANTING TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND EXPERIENCE OF NOTORIOUSLY POOR SCHOOL LUNCHES. EMMA AND HER TEAM STRIVE TO PROVIDE THE VERY BEST IN SCHOOL DINNERS

RECIPES

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.EMMAKITCHEN.CO.UK
TO FIND RECIPES WE USE IN OUR SCHOOLS AND SOME EXCITING IDEAS FOR THE CHILDREN TO TRY AT HOME!

ALL OUR FOOD IS MADE FRESH DAILY IN OUR KITCHENS
OUR MENUS EXCEED THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT SCHOOL FOOD PLAN

JACKET POTATOES WITH A CHOICE OF FILLINGS ARE AVAILABLE EVERYDAY (MUST BE ORDERED IN ADVANCE)

WE ACTIVELY ENCOURAGE CHILDREN TO TRY NEW FLAVOURS

OUR SALAD BAR IS OPEN EVERY DAY FOR THE CHILDREN TO ENJOY THEIR FAVOURITE SALAD ITEMS AND ALSO TO TRY NEW AND EXCITING FLAVOURS
FRESH WHITE AND WHOLEMEAL BREAD IS COOKED DAILY IN OUR KITCHENS AND FRESH FRUIT ARE ALSO ON OFFER EVERYDAY

CONTACT US

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL:
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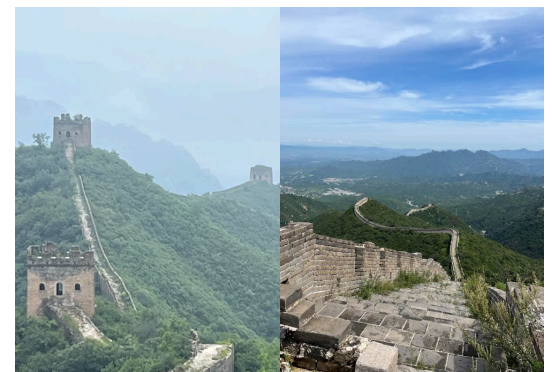
DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

WE CURRENTLY CATER FOR GLUTEN FREE AND DAIRY FREE CHILDREN. PLEASE CONTACT US TO DISCUSS ANY DIETARY REQUIREMENTS YOUR CHILD MAY HAVE

Well Done Mrs Richardson!



You may remember that Mrs Richardson was walking the Great Wall of China in the summer holiday to raise money for [Hospice in the Weald](#) - she did an absolutely fabulous job of completing this challenge and has so far raised £1700 for a very worthy cause. Many thanks to everyone who sponsored her, and donated to our pyjama day fundraiser last year which also contributed to the charity.



Pierced Ears

Over the summer a number of children have had their ears pierced, please can we ask that earrings are removed on PE days, and if this is not possible then please send your child in with medical tape either applied at home or provided in bags for them to cover their own ears - unfortunately we are unable to do this for them.

Break Time Snacks

Please be reminded that snacks are not provided for children in Key Stage 2, so if your child has told you that they were a little peckish in the afternoon this week, then please do provide a piece of fruit or veg.

Thank You!



Many thanks to [JW Floristry](#) for refreshing the hanging baskets outside the school, this time with a rainbow theme. They have been an uplifting sight for the staff as they have arrived to work in the rain everyday, and we always get positive comments from visitors to the school.



Create Music Lessons

You may recall that a little while ago we invited the children to take part in taster sessions for guitar or ukulele lessons. These are scheduled to now be taking place next week. If anyone else would like to sign up then please complete the bottom of the slip of the flyer attached at the end of the newsletter.

Reminder: Clubs for Terms 1 and 2 up

The clubs in red are now full, and a waiting list is in place. Be aware that if a child does not regularly attend then their place may be reallocated to the next person on the waiting list.

Unless indicated, clubs led by members of staff run starting week beginning 08/09 and end in the week beginning 01/12 (they will not be running until the end of the term due to the Christmas events in the final weeks). They will also not take place in the first week after half term (week beginning 28/10). For clubs that you sign up for by booking directly with the organiser, please follow their guidance for when they will run.

Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Years 1-2 - Film Club with Mrs Sutcliffe (Possibly for Year R, but please speak to Mrs Richardson beforehand to confirm if suitable).• Year 4-6 - Singing Club with Mrs Richardson• Year 3-6 - East Peckham TaskMaster with Mr Atkins and Mrs Duffield• <u>External</u> - Year R-2 - Multi-Sports - please book directly via the QR code on the flyer at the end of the newsletter.
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phonics Club @ 8.10am with Mrs Sinden (invite only)• Year 1-3 - Arts and Crafts with Mrs Stenning• Year 3-6 - Drawing with Mrs Bawden• Year 6 (invite only) - Podcast Club with Mrs Duffield• <u>External</u> - Karate - please book directly via info@samasoutheast.co.uk
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>External</u> - Year 4-6 - Football Club with Lee - please book directly via lccoaching18@gmail.com
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Years 1-3 - Mindfulness Singing and Colouring with Mrs Gardiner• Years 3-4 (with Year 5 invite only) - Maths Club with Mrs Askew• <u>External</u> - Year 3-6 - Multi-Sports - please book directly via the QR code on the flyer at the end of the newsletter.
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>External</u> - Year R-3 - Football Club with Lee - please book directly via lccoaching18@gmail.com

Reminder: PE

Please find below the dates and times for PE:

Term 1 PE	
Year R	Formal PE begins later in the year.
Year 1	Monday and Tuesday
Year 2	Monday and Thursday
Year 3	Wednesday and Thursday
Year 4	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 5	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 6	Monday and Wednesday

Reminder: FOSIL - FOrest School Inspired Learning

Please make sure that your child brings in their complete outdoor learning clothing for the dates below. More information about the correct clothing required can be found on the [school website](#).

Week beginning:	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
22nd September 2025	Year 3 / Year 5 FOSIL	Year 1 FOSIL	Year R Forest School
29th September 2025	Year 4 / Year 6 FOSIL	Year 2 FOSIL	Year R Forest School
6th October 2025	Year 3 / Year 5 FOSIL	Year 1 FOSIL	Year R Forest School
13th October 2025	Year 4 / Year 6 FOSIL	Year 2 FOSIL	Year R Forest School
End of Term 1 - Start of Term 2			
3rd November 2025	Year 3 / Year 5 FOSIL	Year 1 FOSIL	Year R Forest School
10th November 2025	Year 4 / Year 6 FOSIL	Year 2 FOSIL	Year R Forest School
17th November 2025	Year 3 / Year 5 FOSIL	Year 1 FOSIL	Year R Forest School
24th November 2025	Year 4 / Year 6 FOSIL	Year 2 FOSIL	Year R Forest School

Dates for your diary

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

Tuesday 9th September	Year 2 and Year 5 Meet the Teacher @3pm/5pm	Year 2 and Year 5 parents
Wednesday 10th September	Year 1 and Year 4 Meet the Teacher @3pm/5pm	Year 1 and Year 4 parents

Thursday 11th September	Kent Test Assessment	Year 6
Thursday 11th September	Year 3 and Year 6 Meet the Teacher @3pm/5pm	Year 3 and Year 6 parents
Tuesday 30th September	Open Morning	Whole school
Friday 3rd October	Harvest Assembly - all children will be presenting the same content in both assemblies, except for Reception who will only be in the 9:00 assembly.	9:00 - Parents of children in YR, 1 and 2 1:00 - Parents of children in Y3, 4, 5 and 6
Friday 3rd October	Horse Racing Fundraiser @2:00 in the school field - led by Year 6	Whole school and parents welcome
Friday 17th October	End of Term 1	Whole school
Wednesday 29th October	Start of Term 2	Whole school
Friday 7th November	Remembrance Assembly - led by Year 6 - @9:00	Year 6 parents
Friday 7th November	Remembrance Service outside Holy Trinity Church	All welcome
Friday 14th November	Children in Need Fundraiser (<i>Wear something spotty with your school uniform</i>) - led by Year R	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@eastpeckhamprimry.org.uk

Contact us

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

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KS1: MONDAYS 3:30 - 4:30

KS2: THURSDAYS 3:30 - 4:30

TERM 1 w/c 8th Sept - w/c 17th Oct (6 sessions)

TERM 2 w/c 27th Oct - w/c 12th Dec (7 sessions)

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Child's Name
Child's School
Instrument (Guitar or Ukulele)
School Year (& class name if applicable)
Parent/Guardian Name
Telephone Number (Mobile)
Email Address