



# East Peckham Primary School

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## Newsletter

Term 1 Week 5

Friday 3rd October 2025

Dear parents and carers,

This week we hosted an Open Morning to welcome new children and their families for September 2026 - it was also lovely to see some existing families too! We had back-to-back tours, and several commented that they were looking round following glowing recommendations from our existing families - so thank you for your support! Thank you also to **Scarlett M** and **Lottie W** (our School Captains) who led the tours and spoke so positively about their time here.

Further to the message below about the Year 6 Horse-Racing Fund-Raiser, unfortunately, the rain has meant that the event could not go ahead as planned at the end of the day. However, we did manage to re-schedule it to earlier in the day and moved it into the school hall. As written below, we were unable to adequately risk-assess the play ground for the 3 thoroughbreds that we had lined up, so we organised these 3 replacements! A lot of fun was had by all from the stands of the very noisy race course, and after a lot of procrastination from **Dazzling Duffield** and a very sleepy pace from **Ambling Atkins**, we are pleased to announce that our winning horse was **Blazing Braybrook**! We have now selected a name from the children who backed the winner, and the horse hamper goes to **James S**. Many thanks for your donations which raised £148 for the school.



Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

*Mrs Elliott*

### 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
99%	100%	98%	97%	96%	99%	98%
😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊

Congratulations to **Elliott W** who has won the term 1 attendance prize of 2 Tickets to Extreme Robots in Maidstone! The company has also been in touch since we first notified you of their gift and kindly offered another pair of tickets so we were able to pick another name from the hat - so well done to **Lucas F** too! We will be re-starting the competition next week, and a new prize will be announced in next week's newsletter.



## Year 6 Horse Racing Fund Raiser



Thank you to Mr and Mrs Wilson for bringing in their pony, **Cupcake**, on Monday. Every child in the school had the opportunity to meet her, and as they waited patiently in line, **Savanna** (Year 6) talked to the children about how to care for her, including what she likes and dislikes. All children enjoyed stroking her fur, and our younger ones were asking insightful questions such as 'What is her favourite colour?!' We are also very grateful to Cupcake for testing out our race course for our event on Friday, however although she was only a small pony we felt that our school playground is just not quite big enough for the horse race that Year 6 had organised - as such we have had to stand our 3 thoroughbreds down. However, it still went ahead - see the top of the newsletter for more details!



## Harvest

We hope you enjoyed the Harvest Assembly this morning - it was a lovely opportunity for the children to share their work linked to this time of year, where Dolphins shared their research, Lions wrote poems, Penguins, Rhinos and Meerkats created some beautiful pieces of artwork, and our 3 youngest classes performed a wonderful song which has been going around in our heads repeatedly! We were so proud of them all - especially our little Lemurs as this was their first time in assembly. We look forward to welcoming the rest of the parents who can attend this afternoon - where we will be aiming for a 1pm start. Also, thank you for your enormous generosity where we have filled 8 ½ crates of food donations to go to the Paddock Wood Community Food Bank.





## Eco News

Thank you for all of your donations of pre-loved toys, which were collected on Friday. As our Eco Warriors shared in an earlier newsletter, it is important that we **reduce**, **reuse** and **recycle** whenever we can, and your donations will now be sorted to be reused by other children, including some to be donated to families and orphanages in need, or responsibly recycled with zero going to landfill. This is just the first project that has been adopted by our new Year 6 position, and they have already come up with a few more ideas, including recycling Christmas Jumpers - keep reading future newsletters for more details.



## School Councillors and Eco Warriors

Congratulations to the children who were voted as School Councillors this week - our School Council Leads, **Natalie B** and **Savanna W**, will be organising our first meeting very soon:

Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions
<b>Nellie S Elliott W</b>	<b>Rosa T Elissa-Rose F</b>	<b>Skylar B Luca D</b>	<b>Jude K Ralph S</b>	<b>Summer C Marshall T</b>

And **Luciana D** and **Eliza LH** will also be in touch with our new class Eco Warriors to let them know about their newest initiatives too:

Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions
<b>Frankie T Eva C</b>	<b>Allana R Flo W</b>	<b>Liza B Noah A</b>	<b>Felix G Dottie P</b>	<b>Thomas W Violet M</b>

## Reminder: Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations for children in **Years R, 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6** will be on **Thursday 16th October**.

Parent Consultations for children in **Year 3** will be on **Wednesday 8th October**.

*Apologies for the inconvenience that spreading the meetings across 2 days may cause.*

The parent consultation slots are open to book on Arbor. To book your 10-minute slot, please click on 'Parent Consultations'. You will then see 2 options - one for your child's class teacher and the other for Miss Worrall, our SENCO. **All parents must make an appointment with their child's class teacher only**, but not everyone needs to meet with Miss Worrall. However, please click Miss Worrall's option if you are a parent of a child who has already had SEND support in school and require a quick update. Please take care to click on the correct option. Please only click on one time-slot for each meeting and **if it appears that the time-slot cannot be clicked, this is because it has already been booked**.

Please be aware that Parent Consultations are protected time-slots when teachers are directed to meet with parents. We provide a window of 2pm-8pm to do our best to cater for parents with other commitments. If a parent cannot attend in this window, then it may not be possible to schedule an alternative meeting time. An alternative time to meet is at the discretion of the individual teacher, and the school reserves the right to refuse, especially if inability to attend is linked to unauthorised school absence.

## Reminder: Line Dancing Fundraiser

**Please buy your tickets by 3pm today (Friday 3rd) - otherwise we will need to cancel due to insufficient numbers.**

Dust off your cowboy hats and boots and join us for, what promises to be, a very fun fundraiser! No dance experience necessary, just a group of friends with a great sense of humour. Each ticket costs £8, where you will also receive a small line-dancing-themed gift on entry. There will be a reasonably priced bar (so please do not bring your own), and a few little activities to do in-between the dances. This will be a great way for new parents to get to know each other - while



raising money for the school too. If you would like to join us, please purchase a ticket via Arbor. Please note; this is an adult-only event, so remember to organise babysitters!

## Reminder: New Starters 2026

Although we have only just started September 2025 we are already preparing for September 2026! Please find below our flyer for the open mornings and evenings, which has also been shared on FaceBook, so please do share with local groups if you are able. If you are an existing parent, please also sign up for a tour if you would like to have a tour as the school is likely to have changed since you first looked around! As you may be aware, siblings have a higher priority for admissions than other applicants, so if you are a parent with a child due to attend in September 2026 please email the office on [office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk) and request a 'Registering Interest Form' so that we can ensure your child is prioritised as a sibling.



## Visit East Peckham Primary!

Mornings from 9 until 12: Mon 7th July, Tues 30th Sept, Wed 15th Oct, Thur 27th Nov  
Evenings from 5 until 8: Tues 14th Oct, Wed 26th Nov

For children due to start **Reception in September 2026**, to book an appointment for one of our Open Mornings or Evenings, please email us at [office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk) or call us on 01622 871268.



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## Reminder: Wreath Making Workshop - in partnership with JW Floristry



**EAST PECKHAM PRIMARY'S Christmas 2025**

**WREATH EVENING**

**THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**  
19:00 - 21:00

**IN THE SCHOOL HALL**  
OFFICE ENTRANCE, CHURCH ROAD, TN2 5LH

**£38.00 PER PERSON**  
£3 PER PERSON WILL BE DONATED TO THE SCHOOL

**BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS & NIBBLES**

CONTACT JO TO BOOK: 07833447217 [JO@JWFLORISTRY.COM](mailto:jo@jwfloristry.com)

We are very pleased to share that with only 90 days until Christmas (!), [JW Floristry](https://www.jwfloristry.com) are again supporting the school, by making a donation from every participant in this wreath making workshop. Details are on the flyer or contact Jo directly via [jo@jwfloristry.com](mailto:jo@jwfloristry.com) - and this always proves to be a popular event and it is open to the general public, so do sign up before all of the spaces go!

As with all events, please be courteous of our neighbours when parking and when leaving the site - we will also be opening the school car park for you to use, to ease congestion on the side roads, however please choose to walk if possible. There will not be a bar at this event, so please do bring your own drinks and nibbles.

## Reminder: Behaviour Workshops for Parents

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

### Understanding Your Child's Behaviour

Tuesday 14th October 9.30-11.30am

We have two upcoming parent workshops, led by the NHS Emotional Wellbeing Team. The first is Understanding Your Child's Behaviour, on Tuesday 14th October, 09:30am - 11:30am. The second is Understanding ADHD in Children, on Thursday 13th November, 09:30am - 11:30am. To sign up please email [office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk) marking the email for the attention of Mrs Smith, Pastoral Lead.

## 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 (indoor) and Tuesday (indoor)
Year 2	Monday (outdoor) and Thursday (indoor)
Year 3	Wednesday (outdoor) and Thursday (outdoor)
Year 4	Tuesday (outdoor) and Thursday (outdoor)
Year 5	Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)
Year 6	Monday (indoor) and Wednesday (outdoor)

## 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
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

**Year 1 and Year 2 will now be collected from Peckham Palace in the playground after the FOSIL session to avoid congestion at pick-up time. We will review this, but thank you for giving it a try.**

## Dates for your diary

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

Friday 3rd October	Deadline to sign up for the flu vaccine	Whole school
Wednesday 8th October	Year 3 Parent Consultations - please sign up via Arbor	Year 3 parents

Friday 10th October	Line Dancing Fundraiser	All welcome
Tuesday 14th October	Understanding Your Child's Behaviour Workshop @ 09:30am-11:30am. Please email to confirm attendance.	All parents welcome
Thursday 16th October	Parent Consultations - please sign up via Arbor	All parents except for Year 3 parents (unless booking Senco appt)
Friday 17th October	End of Term 1	Whole school
Wednesday 29th October	Start of Term 2	Whole school
Thursday 6th November	Science and Geography Workshop in school - please make payment before 31st October via Arbor	Year 4 and Year 5
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
Thursday 13th November	Understanding ADHD in Children Workshop @ 09:30am-11:30am. Please email to confirm attendance.	All parents welcome
Friday 14th November	Children in Need Fundraiser ( <i>Wear something spotty with your school uniform</i> ) - led by Year R	Whole school
Thursday 27th November	Christmas Wreath Making Workshop - please sign up via email to <a href="mailto:jo@jwfloristry.com">jo@jwfloristry.com</a>	All parents welcome
Saturday 13th December	Christmas Fair	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](mailto:dsl@eastpeckhamprimry.org.uk)

### Contact us

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

<https://www.east-peckham.kent.sch.uk/>  
01622 871268

  
 FRIENDS OF  
 EAST PECKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

# FIREWORKS Night

SATURDAY **1** NOVEMBER  
*Gates open 5pm - Fireworks 6pm*

*Bar, BBQ and  
Treat Stalls*

SCAN FOR TICKETS



ADULTS £9.00 - KIDS £6.00  
 2 YEARS AND UNDER FREE  
 FAMILY TICKET  
 2 ADULTS AND 2 KIDS - £26  
 ALL STALLS CASH ONLY!

# EAST PECKHAM PRIMARY'S 2025 Christmas WREATH EVENING

**THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**  
 19:00 - 21:00

**IN THE SCHOOL HALL**  
 OFFICE ENTRANCE, CHURCH ROAD, TN12 5LH

**£38.00 PER PERSON**  
 £3 PER PERSON WILL BE DONATED TO THE SCHOOL

**BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS & NIBBLES**  
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# 5-6-7-8!



7 - 10PM  
DANCING STARTS  
AT 7.30PM



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**FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025**  
**LINE DANCING NIGHT**  
 DRESSING UP ENCOURAGED!



TICKETS £8  
INCLUDE A  
FREE GIFT!



ADULTS ONLY

**NHS**  
North East London  
NHS Foundation Trust

**East Peckham Primary  
School Workshop**

**Understanding Your Child's  
Behaviour**  
Tuesday 14th October 9.30-11.30am

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

Are you currently experiencing difficulties with your child at home? Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to enjoy your time more with your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding and communicating with your child. It will help you consider factors which influence behaviour. We also discuss techniques that you can use at home for behaviours that you feel are difficult to manage.

If you require materials in another language or have any other access needs then please email:  
[EWandESTenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk](mailto:EWandESTenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk)

We look forward to meeting you.

[www.nelft.nhs.uk](http://www.nelft.nhs.uk)

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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)

at East Peckham Primary School  
130 Pound Rd, East Peckham, Tonbridge TN12 5LH

BOOK HERE  
E5 per session (termly booking)

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&  
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