



East Peckham Primary School

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Newsletter

Term 1 Week 6

Friday 10th October 2025

Dear parents and carers,

Many thanks for your wonderful feedback following the horse-race last week - it was so pleasing to hear that you enjoyed it as much as the children and staff did here. We have been notified that the video on social media has been viewed over 1,000 times! Many thanks to the Year 6s for putting this together - our next mini-fundraiser will be on the last day of term where sweet treats will be available at just £1 each - delicious!

I also had my own race this week when 2 little dogs ran past me on the gate - although incredibly friendly, Mr Atkins and I managed to chase them and shoo them out quite quickly (neither made it into the building, they just enjoyed the outside area). As such, please can I ask that you try to get the children to the gate before 8:40am, as soon after this dog walkers do use the field, and this includes letting their dogs off of the lead. Although the gate should only be open from 8:30am-8:40am, I cannot bring myself to close the gate when I see families walking towards me from the other side of the field, but it would really help to ensure I am not delayed getting to assembly (and consequently delaying the children's learning) if children could be inside the gate by 8:40am.

Next week is the last week of term, and on Thursday we will also be having our Parent Consultations, please remember to sign up for a slot with your child's class teacher, if you have not already. On Friday, we will also be putting out all of the lost property again for you to have a look through too. Anything unclaimed will be redistributed to our second-hand collection.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Elliott

★ Stars of the Week ★

In our Friday Celebration Assembly we have been celebrating children who have shown curiosity:

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Micah F	Noah M	Arlo E	Chester R	Mia SN	Jake S	Phoebe G

Many thanks to **Sofia P** 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.

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

Attendance Prize for Term 2



We are very pleased to share that we have been gifted a £35 Family Ticket voucher to [Mulligan's Dino Golf](#) in Tonbridge and we will be offering this as an attendance prize, to award at the end of Term 2. A reminder about how our attendance prizes work - every

MULLIGANS.

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 Tim at Mulligan's for his kind donation - please do support this local business if you fancy a fun day out in Tonbridge!

As we have previously communicated, school attendance is so important to a child's learning and development, including meeting pastoral needs - as such, we follow all advice provided by KCC (please see their post on Linked In>>). This includes notifications of poor levels of attendance, follow-up phone calls, requests to meet when attendance is below a certain percentage and the right to link with other professionals when required. This is our duty as a school, following local authority and governmental guidance, so please can I remind you about behaving courteously towards the office staff and the Senior Leadership Team when they have to deal with such issues. We will always treat requests with respect and kindness, but ultimately we have to make decisions according to policy and process.



Kent County Council

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Missing school—even occasionally—can have a significant impact on a child's learning and development.

With pupils now settled into the new academic year, Kent County Council (KCC) is working closely with schools and support services to ensure children attend school regularly and punctually.

TaskMaster Club



PRIZE TASK THIS WEEK...

Bring in a vegetable or fruit that looks most like the Taskmaster and explain why.

The children have been enjoying TaskMaster Club this term, undertaking a number of weird and wonderful challenges. These include throwing bread into a toaster from 2 metres away, balancing as many things as possible on a single strip of toilet paper, inventing new words, balancing things on their heads and even shouting 'I think I just saw Prince William' at passing cars - all in good humour of course! This week they were set the following homework task:

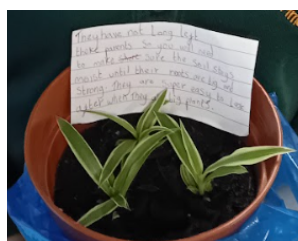
We love seeing the children applying themselves to these creative challenges (many thanks to Mrs Duffield and Mr Atkins for organising) - which do you think was the most like the TaskMaster?

Better Health, Healthier Families - from the NHS

Please follow the [link](#) to the NHS website 'Better Health, Healthier Families' that is the new home of Change4Life. It is packed with advice, including options for healthy packed lunches and budget recipes for family mealtimes etc. For packed lunches, we recommend that the children have a good balance of all of the food groups so that they are ready and alert for the entirety of the day. Please avoid too many sweet treats as we find children's energy spikes and they then tire soon after the lunch break. Sweet treats can be fruit, yogurts, small pieces of cake, nut-free flapjacks etc, however if you do choose something with chocolate, please can you opt for small, single sized chocolate biscuits, and not packets of chocolate.



Eco News



Our Eco Warriors thought about the ways that we could bring more nature into our classrooms, which brings us to plants! Plants are very special and can improve the air quality of our classrooms. Our Eco Warriors responded straight away to the results of a survey that they carried out with each class, and they have already brought in some Spider Plant seedlings! These will grow and eventually produce new seedlings of their own. We can then distribute them to every class. We cannot wait to watch them grow and help our environment at the same time!

RockSteady Trials

A message from RockSteady:

Jamie here from RockSteady, and we have an exciting opportunity for your child to be involved in a free RockSteady lesson taking place in school. The spots available are as followed:

- *Band A (Year 2-4): Drums and Keyboard*
- *Band B: (Year R-2): 2 singers, 1 keyboard, 2 guitars, 1 bass guitar and 2 drummers*
- *Band C (Year 1-3): Keyboard*
- *Band D (Year 4-6): Drum, Bass Guitar, two Electric Guitars, 2 Keyboard and one singers*
- *Band E (Year 3-5): Drum, Bass Guitar*

If you think your child/ren would benefit/enjoy this, then you can email the office or myself directly on jamie.foreman@rocksteadymusicschool.com. Please make sure you include the child/ren's name, year group and what instrument they would try out.

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STEADY**

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: 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 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 or call us on 01622 871268.



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* Dedicated Staff * Happy Children * Accredited Nurture UK School

Reminder: Wreath Making Workshop - in partnership with JW Floristry



EAST PECKHAM PRIMARY'S Christmas 2025

WREATH EVENING

THURSDAY 27th NOVEMBER
19:00 - 21:00

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

£36.00 PER PERSON
£3 PER PERSON WILL BE DONATED TO THE SCHOOL

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS & NIBBLES

We are very pleased to share that with only 90 days until Christmas (!), JW Floristry 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 - 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 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
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.

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 Sweet Treat Sale	Whole school
Friday 17th October	End of Term 1	Whole school
Wednesday 29th October	Start of Term 2	Whole school
Thursday 30th October	Inter-House Cricket - please can children come to school in outdoor PE kit	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
Friday 14th November	World Nursery Rhyme Week Performance @1.45pm	Reception parents
Thursday 27th November	Christmas Wreath Making Workshop - please sign up via email to jo@jwfloristry.com	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@eastpeckhamprimary.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!



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WREATH EVENING

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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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North East London
NHS Foundation Trust

**East Peckham Primary
School Workshop**

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

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

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:
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We look forward to meeting you.

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SCHOOL**

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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

£5 per session (termly booking)

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&
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