



# East Peckham Primary School

*To know more, do more, remember more*

## Newsletter

Term 1 Week 7

Friday 17th October 2025

Dear parents and carers,

This week we have been focusing on art and design technology lessons across the school and taking time to appreciate all of the amazing work that the children have been doing. Otter Class have been building stable structures in DT, where they have been following a design criteria to make functioning sails for their windmills. Our Meerkats have been looking at tone, texture and shading, including learning how to use different materials such as pastels, sketching pencils, crayons and chalk. They have also been learning how to hold the different materials to create a variety of textures. Penguins have been exploring tone, texture and proportion where their final piece was based on the artist Maryam Arslan creating art work based on food using impasto (glue and paint). Lion Class have been making doodlers in DT where the children had to create a circuit for the doodler to work and draw. For DT, Rhinos were doing food technology where they created seasonal tarts! Dolphin Class have been enjoying creative photography by creating a photomontage, playing with micro photography and recreating their own version of The Scream.



This fits in perfectly with our Quality of the Week (see below) for we are truly appreciative of both the teachers' and the children's artistic efforts - we hope our parents are too.

Please read all the way to the bottom of the newsletter as there have been a few changes to PE days, however Forest School/FOSIL sessions and after-school clubs remain unchanged. As we head into Term 2, please can children now wear their winter uniform - so no more summer dresses, and for all children to have a jumper/cardigan - and they will definitely need a coat! Wishing you a restful break, and we look forward to welcoming the children back on **Wednesday 29th October 2025 @ 8:30am.**

*Mrs Elliott*

## ★ Stars of the Week ★

In our Friday Celebration Assembly we have been celebrating children who have expressed appreciation:

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>Poppy S</b>	<b>Elliott W</b>	<b>Marnie B</b>	<b>Eva P</b>	<b>Karter P</b>	<b>Penelope M</b>	<b>Mark N</b>

Many thanks to **Orson F** 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
98%	97%	98%	97%	97%	97%	97%
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## Nurture Support from the Peer Mediators and Wellbeing Champions

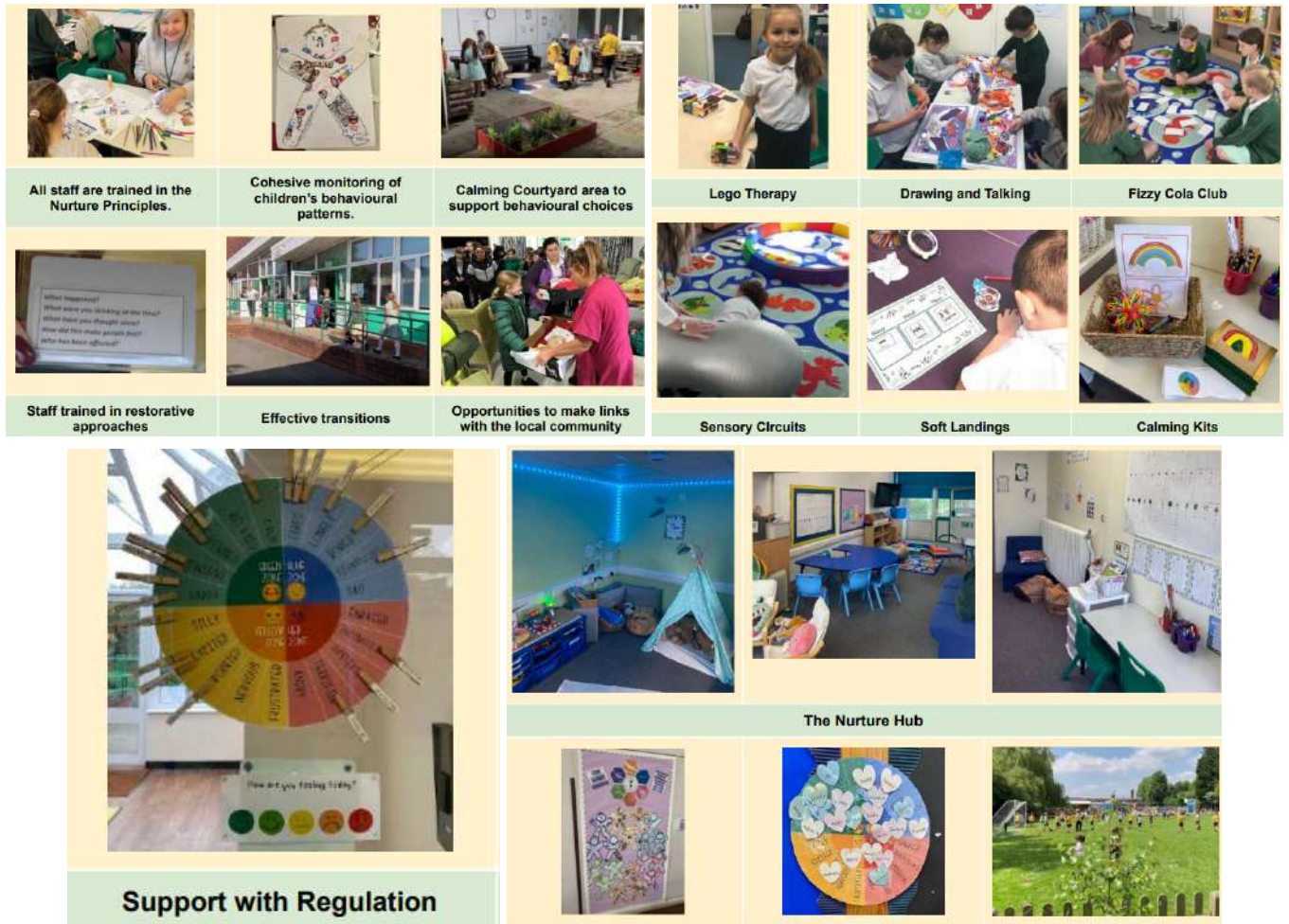


Our amazing Peer Mediators and Wellbeing Champions led assembly on Monday, reminding children about the incredibly comprehensive Nurture offer that we have in school. As you may recall, we

achieved our Nurture UK accreditation in July 2024 following a rigorous assessment process where we could evidence our eligibility for Nurture UK status through observations, case studies and pupil/parent/staff voice. As our experience of Nurture UK grows, we now want to increase the agency of our Year 6 role models, to take a lead in supporting children with their emotional literacy at playtimes

(which fits in with our School Improvement Plan's objective to encourage children *to use their words to understand and express how they feel* - which will develop their emotional literacy and improve mental health. The children presented this beautifully in assembly, reminding all children to confide in them when needed, and to be respectful of their roles as they guide children to resolve conflict or issues. As always, adults are available to support as needed but we are so pleased that our young people want to be able to do this for themselves, and to support our younger children to build their own strategies when issues may arise. These strategies will serve them well as a life skill that they will always need to use.





All staff are trained in the Nurture Principles.

Cohesive monitoring of children's behavioural patterns.

Calming Courtyard area to support behavioural choices

Lego Therapy

Drawing and Talking

Fizzy Cola Club

Staff trained in restorative approaches

Effective transitions

Opportunities to make links with the local community

Sensory Circuits

Soft Landings

Calming Kits

Support with Regulation

The Nurture Hub

## Individual School Photos

The photographer will be coming in on Monday 10th November. Please can children wear smart school uniform. If it is a day where the class has PE, please can we ask that they have PE kit on their bottom half, but smart school uniform (green jumper/cardigan) on their top half, as this is the only part that you will see in the picture. Children are welcome to change into a full PE kit after the photograph has been taken if this makes them comfortable, otherwise they are welcome to remain in this unusual combination for the day.

## Eco News



Did you know that the clothing industry, from sourcing raw materials to manufacturing and transportation, accounts for around 10% of global carbon emissions? The Eco Warriors would like to support greater sustainability by asking for Christmas jumper donations, which they will then sell on from a stall at this year's Christmas Fair. Selling your donations will raise money to buy more air cleaning plants for our classrooms, and to replenish our litter pickers. We would welcome both adult and child sizes. If you think you can help,



please send in your Christmas jumper donations after the half term holidays. We hope you are able to support us with this and we are really excited to be helping the planet in our own small way!

## Reminder: 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 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!



# MULLIGANS.

## 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.



\* Double Award-Winning Podcasting Team \* Swimming Pool \* Forest School  
\* Dedicated Staff \* Happy Children \* Accredited Nurture UK School

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



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](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

Understanding ADHD in Children  
Thursday 13th November at 9.30am-11.30am

Following the success of our workshops with the Emotional Wellbeing Team, if of interest then please sign up for the meeting on Understanding ADHD in Children, on Thursday 13th November, 09:30am - 11:30am, via 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 2
	PE
Year R	Formal PE begins later in the year.
Year 1	Monday (indoor) and Tuesday (indoor)
Year 2	Monday (indoor) and Friday (outdoor)
Year 3	Wednesday (indoor) and Thursday (indoor)
Year 4	Wednesday (indoor) and Thursday (indoor)
Year 5	Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (indoor)
Year 6	Monday (indoor) and Tuesday (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
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 17th October	End of Term Sweet Treat Sale	Whole school
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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
<b>Monday 10th November</b>	<b>Individual School Photos - smart uniform please</b>	<b>Whole school</b>
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
<b>Thursday 20th November</b>	<b>Kent Test Information Meeting with Mrs Elliott - in person @2:45pm or online @5:00pm - please email the office to confirm attendance</b>	<b>Year 4 and Year 5 parents</b>
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
Wednesday 10th December	Year 6 - Trip to Parliament ( <i>permission slips due 31st October 2025</i> )	Year 6
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



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FAMILY TICKET  
2 ADULTS AND 2 KIDS - £26

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# EAST PECKHAM PRIMARY'S Christmas 2025

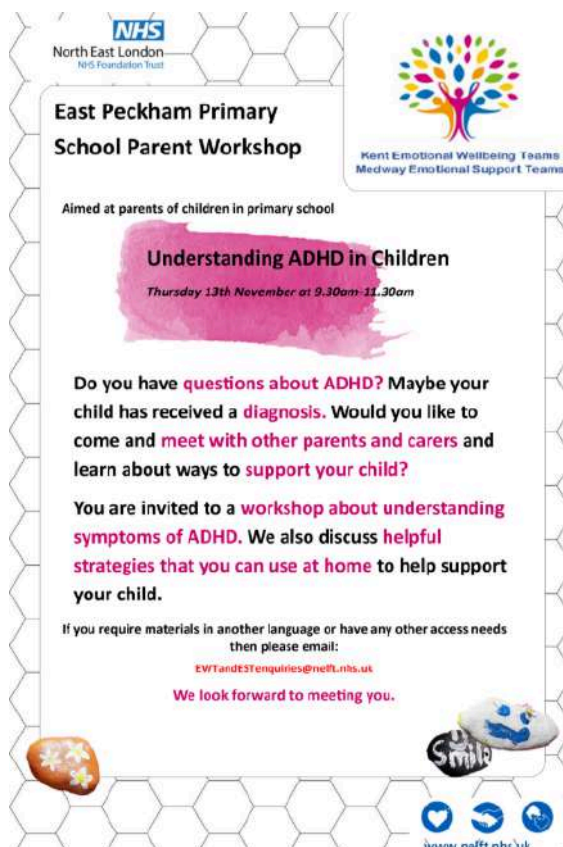
## WREATH EVENING

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

IN THE SCHOOL HALL  
OFFICE ENTRANCE, CHURCH ROAD, TN12 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@JWFLOISTRY.COM



NHS  
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East Peckham Primary  
School Parent Workshop

Kent Emotional Wellbeing Teams  
Medway Emotional Support Teams

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

### Understanding ADHD in Children

Thursday 13th November at 9.30am-11.30am

Do you have **questions about ADHD**? Maybe your child has received a **diagnosis**. Would you like to come and **meet with other parents and carers** and learn about ways to **support your child**?

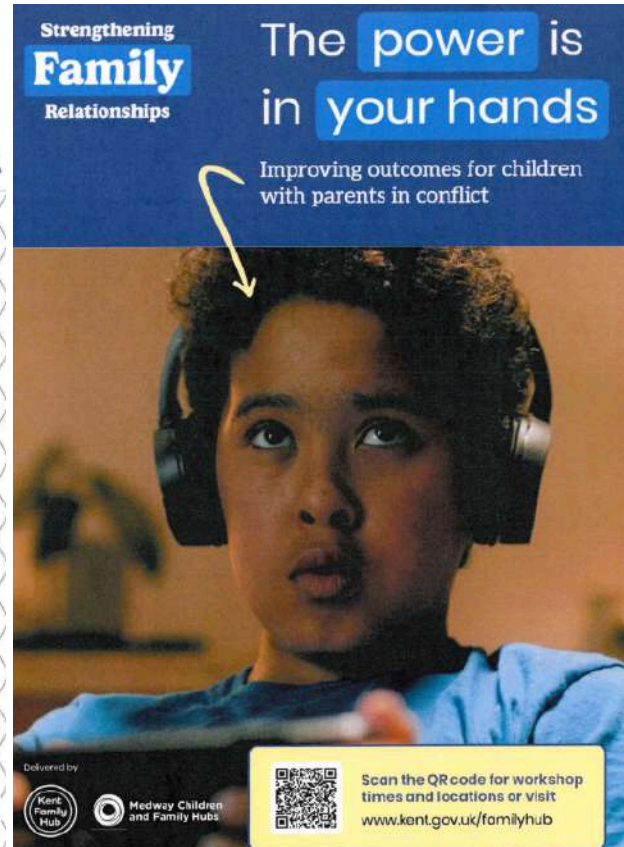
You are invited to a **workshop about understanding symptoms of ADHD**. We also discuss **helpful strategies that you can use at home to help support your child**.

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

We look forward to meeting you.

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SCHOOL**

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**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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