



# East Peckham Primary School

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## Newsletter

Term 4 Week 3

Friday 13th March 2026



Dear parents and carers,

We hope that all of the mothers/aunties/grannies who joined us this morning for the Mother's Day Breakfast enjoyed spending time with the children, and enjoying the delicious breakfasts prepared by Emma's Kitchen. We are so lucky to have Emma who was here from 5am cooking pastries, closely followed by the school staff team arriving from 6am to set up the hall and prepare for breakfast. Thank you for the donations towards the teas and coffees that we provided too - and thank you for the kind emails that followed. We have been encouraging the children to think of others at all times - and not just on Mother's/Father's Day! With this in mind, the Eco Warriors have organised a litter pick next Friday to make our village a lovely place for the community to enjoy. If you would like to join the Eco Team, then please read below to find out how to get involved. On Tuesday the Key Stage 2 children participated in the Art of Brilliance workshop, which was a great way for the children to be enthused about developing a positive mindset. They have also shared a follow-up classroom resource regarding [Random Acts of Kindness](#), which you may want to look at too - we would love to hear of random acts of kindness that the children have done outside of school too.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

*Mrs Elliott*

PS Next week is Year 5s assembly, where all Year 5 parents are welcome to come and watch. We will also be doing birthday stickers and reading certificates from the last 2 weeks.

### 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%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%
😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊

### Mother's Day Breakfast





## Art of Brilliance Workshop

On Tuesday, Dolphins, Lions, Penguins and Rhinos took part in an '[Art of Brilliance](#)' workshop, where they talked about building positive mindsets and spreading positivity to others. It was a really affirming learning opportunity that we hope the children will be able to incorporate into their everyday lives.



## Guy Bass Author Workshop

Our Key Stage 2 children were so excited to meet author Guy Bass on Thursday morning. They enjoyed a very engaging presentation on Guy's life and how he entered the realms of writing, joined in with a hilarious poem called 'But Why?!' and learnt all about how his book *Stitch Head* was first made into a graphic novel and then an animated film! Lots of children brought in copies of his books to be signed and he has also been interviewed for a podcast episode - we cannot wait to hear it!



## A visit from the Dentist for Lemurs and Otters



Year 1 and Year R had a visit from the [Dentaid](#) dentist this week. She demonstrated how to clean our teeth using a circular motion and told us that it is important to brush our teeth 2 times a day for 2 minutes each time. We even got to practise brushing a dragon's teeth!



## Growing Up in the Online World: A National Consultation on Smartphones

Further to earlier communications regarding smartphone use, and the concerns that this has raised for schools, please find a link below to a [Gov.UK](#) consultation that we have been asked to circulate: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/growing-up-in-the-online-world-a-national-consultation>

## Eco News

We are looking forward to our community litter pick on Friday 20th March! The Eco Warriors are going to be out and about around the school and park playing field from 1:15pm. If there are any parents of either the Eco Warriors themselves or any other parents that would like to give us a hand we would be very grateful, please could you let us know by email, so we have an idea of who we are expecting. The litter pick will finish in time for the end of the school day at 2:00pm. The idea is to demonstrate to the children that it is important to care for our school environment but also our wider community.



## Reminder: Mother's Day Poems - AVAILABLE NOW

We are proud to share that after entering the Kent Life Mother's Day competition, many of our children's poems were published, which is higher than any other school across the County! Congratulations to **Lacey B (Y3), Myles B (Y2), Summer C (Y5), Arlo E (Y2), Sofia E (Y2), Tommy H (Y5), Teddy H (Y2), Andreea I (Y5), Rose J (Y4), Phoebe J (Y4), Lilian K (Y1), Jude K (Y4), Noah L (Y1), Violet M (Y5), Ivy M (Y2), Eduard P (Y5), Bradley R (Y4), Allana R (Y2), Isabelle R (Y5), Felicity S (Y4), Ralph S (Y4), Frankie T (Y1), Elliott W (Y1), Italia W (Y4), Thomas W (Y5)**, as well as a **Joint Lemurs Class poem**. We have copies of the publication available to purchase from the school office for £3.50 (RRP £4.75). You can purchase via Arbor or cash from the school office. Well done to all of our published poets!



## Reminder: Attendance Prize for Term 4

We are very pleased to share that we have been gifted a £10 and a £5 multi-purpose retail voucher from Verian, a company who we have supported with educational research. We will be offering these as 2 attendance prizes, to award at the end of Term 4. 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!



## Reminder: Emotional Wellbeing Parent Workshops

The NHS Emotional Wellbeing Team will be running a parent workshop here in school:

- Supporting Your Child with Worries and Fears - Monday 16th March, 09:30am - 11:00am

To find out more and secure your place, please email [office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk), FAO Mrs Smith.

## Reminder: PE for Term 4

Please wear PE kit on these days - please be reminded that trainers need to be appropriate for sport, and that hoodies and zip-up tops are not permitted for health and safety reasons. Any questions then please speak to Mrs Askew, PE lead.

	Term 4 PE
Year R	Formal PE begins later in the year.
Year 1	Monday (indoor) and Tuesday (indoor)
Year 2	Monday (indoor) and Friday (indoor)
Year 3	Wednesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)
Year 4	Wednesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)
Year 5	Tuesday (outdoor) and Thursday (outdoor)
Year 6	Monday (outdoor) 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
16th March 2026	Year 4 / Year 6	Year 2	Year R
23rd March 2026	Year 3 / Year 5	Year 1	Year R
30th March 2026	Year 4 / Year 6	Year 2	Year R

## Dates for your diary

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

Monday 16th March	Supporting Your Child with Worries and Fears - MHWB workshop	Parents welcome - please book using details above
Friday 20th March	Year 5 Assembly	Year 5 parents welcome
Friday 20th March	Eco Warriors Litter Pick	Eco Warriors and Eco Ambassadors

Friday 20th March	Cricket Coaching (during the day)	Year 1 - Year 4
Tuesday 24th March	Christian Group Visiting	Whole school
Wednesday 25th March	EPS Awards	EPS Award winners
Thursday 26th March	Air Ambulance visiting for assembly	Whole school
Thursday 26th March	East Peckham's Got Talent	Whole school welcome
Friday 27th March	Y1/2 Fundraiser for KSS Air Ambulance	Whole school
Monday 30th March	Author Workshops	Year R - Year 3
Tuesday 31st March	Author Workshops	Year 4 - Year 6
Wednesday 1st April	Parent Consultations	Whole school
Thursday 2nd April	Year R Hearing and Vision Screening	Year R
Thursday 2nd April	End of Term 4 - please note Friday is a Bank Holiday when school will be closed	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](mailto:dsl@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk)

## Contact us

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

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

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**NEW FOR 2026!**

**Easter TRAIL**

£2 PER ENTRY

SAT 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 1-3PM

To book your ticket please email  
[Matt.Joannes@eastpeckham-pc.gov.uk](mailto:Matt.Joannes@eastpeckham-pc.gov.uk)

Starting at the Jubilee Hall, come and join us for a hunt around the playing fields and down to the village centre. Complete the trail at the Village Coffee & Wine Bar to get your Easter hot chocolate and treat!  
\*Please state any dietary requirements when booking.



**EASTER SOCCER SCHOOL**

WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> • THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 9AM - 3PM  
WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> • THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

AGES 4-13

£22 PER DAY  
£40 TWO DAYS  
£75 FOUR DAYS

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PRIZES TO BE WON

HUGH CHRISTIE SCHOOL  
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