

Eastlands Primary School

November 2021

EPS Attendance

Target **96.5%**

(Note: figures do not include absence due to COVID related isolation)

R— 89.0%

Y1— 95.4%

Y2—93.3%

Y3—96.9%

Y4— 95.7%

Y5—92.2%

Y6— 96.2%

Overall attendance for the whole school for October was averaging at **94.14%**.

This is below-our target.

Please help us to raise this % by ensuring your child attendance is good or better.

Is your child's class

"On time at 5 to 9" ?

School opens at **8.45am** when children can go to their classrooms and get ready for the start of the school day. Please make sure that your child is in their class, ready to work by **8.55am** at the latest.

Dear Parents,

As ever the school continues to fly by. Please see below for some important dates for the coming half term.

Term dates.

04.11.21—Bags 2 School

8.11.21—Last day for Christmas card designs to be returned to school

26.11.21 - Non uniform for Christmas raffle

10.12.21—PSA Cake sale

14.12.21—Christmas raffle draw

16.12.21 —Rokeby Lions Christmas visit

15.11.21—Anti—bullying week

15.11.21— Christmas dinner at EPS

15.12.21—Christmas Jumper Day for 'Save the Children'

Happy Birthday to all our children who celebrate their birthdays in November:



Rec: Imani-Grace, Ellie, Maveesh

1: Heidi, Leo, Amelie, Durphine

3: Subhan, Haziq

4: Alex, Hannah, Kacper, Jack

5: Clara, Lucas, Daniel W

Termly Learning Conferences

To be held over the phone this term. TLC information letter plus TLC and assessment leaflets available next week, on letters page, school website.



TLC dates	Mornings	Afternoons
Monday 22nd Nov	Year 1 & 2 – 8.00 – 12.00	Year 3 & 4 – 1.30 – 5.30
Tuesday 23rd Nov	Year 5 & 6 – 8.00 – 12.00	Year 1 & 2 – 1.30 – 5.30
Wed. 24th Nov	Year 4 – 8.00 – 12.00	Year 5 & 6 – 1.30 – 5.30
Thursday 25th Nov	Year 3 – 8.00 – 12.00	

Christmas Performances—

This year, in light of the COVID situation, we will be recording Christmas performances to share with you all.



The children have participated in our annual Christmas card design competition over the half term. Please send in your entries as soon as possible.

Check the school you tube channel in coming weeks for festive fun.

Staffing news—

A warm welcome to Miss Washbrook who will be working in the school office alongside Mrs Cox and Mrs Devine.

Safeguarding is Everybody's Responsibility

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Lansdowne Place, Rugby CV21 3RY Tel: 01788 57328

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In case of Emergency—

Bad weather—We are now into the time of year when bad weather can impact on school. If we have an emergency school closure or part day closure you will be informed through

- ⇒ Rugby FM,
- ⇒ our school website and by
- ⇒ text message as soon as possible.



To:

- Brookes-Broodie family who donated some excellent books to the school to help us mark Black History Month. One book was used to teach a part of a curriculum unit Year 4
- Joe B family who nominated EYFS team for a Thank You card from through the National Thank a Teacher campaign.



- Well done to Lila D (Year 6 last year) who won a competition and had her character chosen to represent Physics in Empiribox Science nationally.

OUR WINNER
PHOEBE THE PHYSICIST



ELECTRA
 By Lila from Eastlands, Rugby

Most superheroes can fly but not Electra she approves of gravity.

Powers - Supersonic hearing, special shoes that enable her super speed & electron powered gloves that give off electricity.

Mission - Rid the world of evil & create robotic devices for all who need them.

Weaknesses - Heights, heat & grape pancakes



Hats for Mental Health—Friday 8th October

Thank you to everyone for their contributions. We raised a fabulous £165.80



Remembrance Day

We will be selling poppies over the month of November in school if you wish to purchase one—We will send a text once they are available.



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PSA news

Christmas Raffle

The 'infamous' raffle is back! There will be a non-uniform day on 26th November in return for a donation for our raffle boxes. Each class will be given a colour for their raffle item. Please look out for our flyer for all the details! Your child will be bringing home raffle tickets to win one of our special raffle boxes. **We would really appreciate any support you can provide** the PSA by purchasing raffle tickets for our special prize draw. The draw will take place on 14th December. Good Luck!

Christmas cards

Christmas cards were sent home with children before the half term break. We hope the children have enjoyed creating a Christmas masterpiece! All designs must be returned to school by Monday 8th November. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED unfortunately due to printing deadlines. You will be sent an email and text message (from the printing company) with ordering details and will be given 5 days to confirm your purchases. Every item purchased will earn £1 for the PSA and we really appreciate your support.

Noticeboard—A new PSA noticeboard has been erected outside the school gates. Be sure to have a look when dropping off and picking up your children to keep up to date with our news, events and information!

Allotment open days

Work has been continuing on the allotment area for the children. The PSA will be holding 'open days' after school for parents to come and have a look at what we've been up to. Keep a look out for further details.

Easyfundraising

Eastlands PSA is now registered with easyfundraising.org.uk

This means over 4,000 shops and online sites (including Amazon, Argos, Next, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, M&S, Iceland & BT) will now **donate to the PSA for FREE every time you shop with them**. Donations are used to fund projects and facilities for our

All funds raised by the PSA will be spent to benefit the emotional, physical and educational development of the children at Eastlands Primary School as well as providing enriching experiences that make their school days all that much more memorable.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of Platt v Isle of Wight Council which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council.

It is important to note, Fixed Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days).

Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996.

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices.

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority

Warwickshire School pupils recorded 31,196 half day sessions of absence due to holiday in the Autumn term 2019.