

13th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

May we start by taking this opportunity to wish you all a happy new year! Classes have settled back well to the normal routines of learning and the children are enjoying their lessons.

Parent/Carer handbook

We communicated to parents and carers about our handbook being online in the Autumn term. We just want to draw your attention back to this document, which can be located under the Parent tab at the top of the website. This is a useful resource for parent and carers, giving practical and strategic information about the school.

Toys in school

We request that children don't bring toys from home into school. There have been a few cases of children doing this (particularly our younger children) and it leading to the items being lost or mishandled by other children. This can lead to unnecessary upset and bad feeling.

PRIME energy drinks

Over the Christmas break and leading into the new year, there has been a surge in popularity for a PRIME energy drink endorsed by a social media influencer. We do not encourage children to drink such products due to the unhealthy levels of sugar. Across many schools the bottles of these drinks have also become a status symbol, leading to arguments and boasting. Please be mindful of this when considering the bottles children bring into school.

We wish you and your family a relaxing weekend ahead

The Leadership Team

PARKING

Could you please be vigilant and courteous if you bring your vehicle onto the school grounds and refrain from parking on any zig zag lines or on the zebra crossing.

The children's safety is of paramount importance.

PE KIT

Could all children please have a PE kit in school **everyday.** If you are unable to provide your child with a PE kit please use our uniform shop as we will donate them to any families that cannot provide a PE kit for their child. Please ensure the PE kit is labelled and is in a bag labelled with your child's name.

Thank you

We will be joining other schools in the Trust during the week of 23 January 2023 for an Aspirations Week. A key part of this will be a number of workshops for children to hear from people who have pursued aspirational careers and are able to run some practical activities with children across the school. If you are available to help or have something you would like to share with the children in support of this vision, please do let Mr Gowland know via the school office. Thank you.



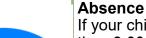
12 pupils from year 5 will be visiting The University of Sussex next week for the Launch trip of the Scholars Programme. After the visit they will enjoy tutorials in school from a PHD lecturer on the subject of "Lying with statistics". This is linked to the focus for the course which is STEM based. STEM is very prevalent in Thurrock and the Southeast and stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. The pupils will then complete work and if successful attend a Graduation Day at another top University.

Pop-Up cards

Some year groups will be looking at pop-up card/book mechanisms. If you receive pop-up style cards for Christmas and are looking to recycle them please consider donating them to us to support our Design



&Technology curriculum.



If your child is too ill to attend school, this must be reported to us by no later than **9.00am**. Please Telephone the school, press one and leave a message on the voicemail box stating your child's full name, class, the reason for absence and when we can expect them to return to school (if known).

Home Visits will be carried out for any child that is absent for 3 or more school days without reason.





East Tilbury Primary School Uniform Shop

New Opening Times

Tuesdays - 8:40-9:00 Fridays - 15:00-15:30



We have made the decision that we will no longer be charging per item and the uniform will now be donated to families free of charge.

Important dates:

| Thursday 19th January 2023 | Launch trip of the Scholars Programme |
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| Thursday 19th January 2023 | Big Treat Dinner Day |
| Tuesday 7th February 2023 and Wednesday 8th February 2023 | Rising 5's Hearing and vision checks |
| Friday 10th February 2023 | Non-Uniform Day |
| Monday 13th February 2023—Friday 17th February 2023 | February Half Term |
| Thursday 30th March 2023 | Non-Uniform Day |
| Friday 31st March 2023 | Trust Conference Day—Non-Pupil Day |
| Monday 3rd April 2023— Friday 14th April 2023 | Easter Holidays |
| Monday 17th April 2023 | Pupils return to school |
| Monday 1st May 2023 | May day—School Closed |
| Monday 8th May 2023 | Bank Holiday—School Closed |
| Friday 26th May 2023 | Non-Uniform Day |
| Monday 29th May 2023 —Friday 2nd June 2023 | May Half Term |
| Monday 5th June 2023 | Pupils return to school |
| Thursday 20th and Friday 21st July 2023 | INSET days—school closed to pupils |
| Monday 24th July 2023 | First day of summer holidays |



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How are you?

Sad? Stressed? Anxious?



Want help?

Your Mental Health First Aider is

Miss. Mills

Training provided by



There are plenty of different types of support out there, and a Mental Health First Aider can help you access the support you need to feel better.

Mental Health First Aiders are a point of contact if you, or someone you are concerned about, are experiencing a Mental Health issue or emotional distress. They are not therapists or psychiatrists but they can give you initial support and signpost you to appropriate help if required.

To arrange a meeting, please contact me via email: mhfa.etp@osborne.coop



January

Chicken Nuggets or **Cheese & Tomato Pizza**



Baked Beans

sweetcorn

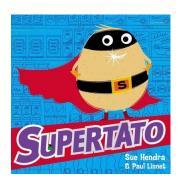
Brownie

Reception

This week in literacy we have been reading Supertato written by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet. Can you believe that Evil Pea captured some vegetables and tied them up?! We received letters from Evil Pea throughout the week setting us challenges. When we completed the challenges, he released one of the vegetables. He was not happy when we completed all the challenges.

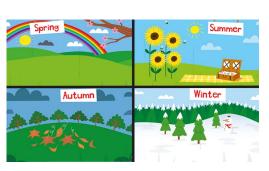
In maths we have been looking at the composition of numbers up to five. We have been able to find how many there are when we put different amounts together. We even found out that there are many different ways to make five.

For topic this week we have been talking about the seasons and discussing winter. Some children said they like the winter, especially when it snows.









Year One

In Science, we continued our learning on our new topic, 'Animals including humans'. We found out lots of information about the different animal groups and that there are similarities and differences between them.

For example; amphibians and reptiles can both live on the land and in the water. However, amphibians lay their eggs in the water, but reptiles lay their eggs on land.

We also worked as a class to sort images of various animals into the correct groups of fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals and insects.

In Maths, we have been learning about tens and ones. We discussed that one ten is equal to ten ones and that numbers from 11 to 19 are made up of one ten and extra ones. We have represented different numbers up to 20, using ten frames and base 10.

In English we continued to look at the story 'Katie in London'. We focused on writing a diary on all the amazing places Katie visited. We learnt about the key features of a diary. For example, a diary is logged by date and is used to recall event of a day or week. Also, when we write a diary, we use past tense.

Mean 2

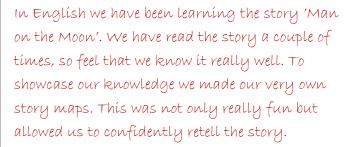


In Art, we developed our knowledge if colour mixing. First, we mixed primary colours to make secondary colours. After we were successful doing that we placed the primary colours onto a damp piece of card, and moved the card

to allow the colours to run. It was really interesting to see how the colours changed.











This week in Geography, the pupils used Digimaps to locate both Europe and South America. The pupils them used the overlays to look at the different landscapes across Europe and South America. We discussed the location of the Amazon Rainforest and then learnt to label the maps we had created.



Year 3



Year 4

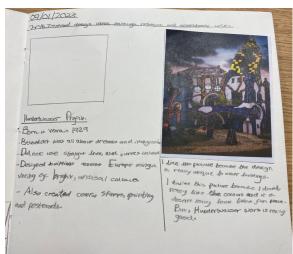
A very warm welcome back from all of the Year 4 team, hoping that you all had a restful Christmas and New Year.

This week was our first full week back. PE this term, we will be studying badminton. The first lesson, the children learnt how to hold the badminton racket accurately and serve. In English this week, we were looking at the features of writing. Within maths, the children have been learning division or factor pairs and finally, the children completed a practical Science experiment to show how pitch is low or high.

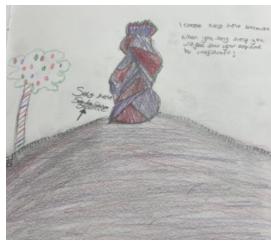
Year 5 - Awesome Architecture Art

This week, Year 5 have had a creative second week of 2023. We explored the renowned Austrian architect and artist Friedensreich Hundertwasser, who developed, designed and commissioned a plethora of colourful, unique buildings around Europe. This gave a sense of abstract and surrealism to our work, which the pupils replicated using pastils and a variety of colours.

Elsewhere, we have started to write a persuasive letter to various sources - enhancing (and making more professional) arguing and debating skills. In mathematics, we have investigated formal methods to multiply two digit numbers by two digit numbers and find equivalent fractions.









Year 6 News

Welcome back to school and to 2023! We hope everyone had a restful break.

History



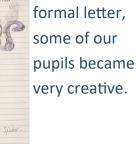
This term our history topic is the Ancient Greeks. This is a really interesting period of world history to study—what did the Greeks do for us? They gave us the foundations of the following: democracy, the Olympics, the marathon, plays, poetry, science, medicine and astronomy. Our curriculum day on Friday February 3rd, is a history focused day; Y6 staff will be wearing Ancient Greek costumes, pupils are welcome to dress-up as Ancient Greek characters as well.

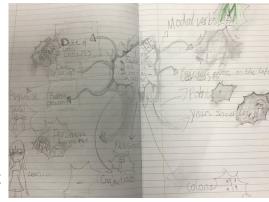
In English, we are in 1941 and are writing a formal letter to a German



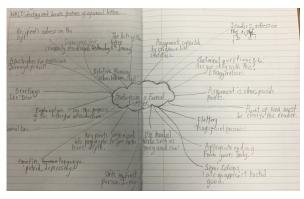
newspaper with the aim to raise awareness among the public of the horrific laws and acts being inflicted upon the Jewish population in Germany and occupied territories. When we were identifying

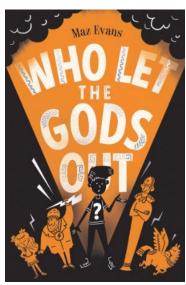












t began on a Friday, as strange things often do. This particular Friday turned out to be stranger than most, although it had started normally enough. Elliot Hooper got up at 7.30 a.m. as normal, made his mum breakfast at 8.15 a.m. as normal, went to school at 8.55 a.m. as normal and was in the headmaster's office by 9.30 a.m., which was, in fact, slightly later than normal.

'Oh, Elliot,' sighed Graham Sopweed, headmaster of Brysmore Grammar School. 'What are we going to do with you?'

Maths Marvels







Well done to everyone who has accessed TTRS this week! Keep logging on and getting more points for your class.

Who will be our TT Rock Stars leaders next week?

Mathletics

| All classes | \$ | Activity points | Quests > points | Points - Live | Total points |
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| RMB | > | 2240 | 0 | 0 | 2240 |
| 5JP | > | 1360 | 0 | 0 | 1360 |
| 4SA | > | 1200 | 0 | 2 | 1202 |
| 5NB | > | 1000 | 0 | 0 | 1000 |
| 6LC | > | 850 | 0 | 0 | 850 |
| 5AB | > | 830 | 0 | 0 | 830 |
| RFC | > | 400 | 0 | 0 | 400 |



Our 'Stars of the Week' are the children that have gone over and above in their efforts. We are very proud of them for their achievements and thought they deserved an extra-special mention!

| RJG | Adrian | For remembering to use finger spaces and a full stop when writing a sentence. |
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| RMB | Max | For actively participating in carpet sessions with increasing confidence. |
| RFC | Gabriella | For following adult instructions well and joining in with class routines. |
| RES | Evie | For having a positive attitude and working hard in all her tasks. |
| 1CH | Andrei | For settling in well into 1CH and making lots of new friends. |
| 1GC | Hartley | For her improved focus and excellent contributions in English this week. |
| 1FK | Sophie | For her consistent effort and enthusiasm towards her learning. |
| 1BA | Yusuf | For improved effort in Maths this week. |
| 2MR | Yesu | For being helpful and supportive towards adults and friends in her class. |
| 2RS | Niniola | For having a great first week at ETPS. |
| 2NL | Serena T | For settling in to ETPS fantastically and being an amazing addition to 2NL. |
| 2RM | Bella-Rose | For contributing more in lessons |
| 3EC | Jay-Royce and Juliana | For settling in well and having a great first week |
| 3LD | Eshaal | For settling in well to 3LD |
| 3NM | Sarina | For her improved focus and commitment to complete tasks within the lesson |
| 4TH | Italia S | For showing a great understanding with division. |
| 4BG | Keanu | For excelling in his computer lesson with coding. |
| 4SA | Alfie G | For extending his ideas and vocabulary in English |
| 5AB | Aaliyah S | For showing a great understanding in her maths lessons. |
| 5JP | Lexi P | for being a responsible member of our class community and helping others around school |
| 5NB | Elsie G | For facing her fears. |
| 6CP | Hashir M | Positive attitude to all his learning. |
| 6LC | Bradley S | For a good start to his formal letter |
| 6VP | Magnus R | For increased independence in maths |
| 6JM | Sienna S | For demonstrating persistence and hard work in maths lessons. |

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ALWAYS ONLINE

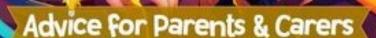
REGULAR EXPANSIONS

IN-GAME PURCHASES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

VOICE AND TEXT CHAT

SIMULATED VIOLENCE

POTENTIAL FOR



MANAGE PLAYTIME

MAKE IT A REWARD

SIGN UP FOR THE FREE TRIAL

REMEMBER THE AGE RATING

ADVENTURE TOGETHER

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Although there are children accessing speech and language services within school, there are currently staffing issues within the NHS and therefore they are unable to receive new referrals. However, this organisation now offers a support network in relation to Speech, Language and Communication Needs.

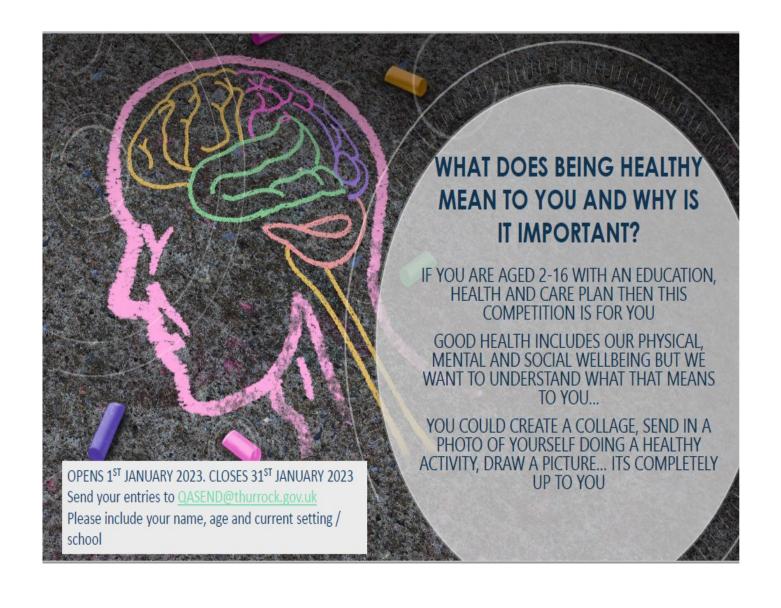
Are you worried that child is not talking or not saying as much as other children of their age? Would you like some advice? Then please contact the Afasic Helpline. They also offer a 'listening ear' if you just want to talk to someone who understands.

Take a look at their website to see what is on offer:

https://www.afasic.org.uk/the-afasic-helpline/

Call: 0300 666 9410

Hotline opening hours: Monday and Wednesday, 10:30am to 4pm.







FOCUS GROUP 10 SEND AND HEALTH

Let's share

Health professionals have a role to play in supporting the identification and planning of how best to support those with medical conditions. They may be commissioned in a variety of ways to advise on identification of SEN and to provide effective support and interventions. These can be universal or specialist. Services may include, but are not limited to; educational psychologists, Child, and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS), specialist teachers or support services with mandatory qualifications, therapists, and pediatricians.

Health professionals will need to work with the SEN Coordinator (SENCO) and/or class teacher to consider appropriate equipment, strategies, and interventions to support the child's progress and build self-esteem and confidence. They can be involved at any point for help or advice on the best way to support a student with SEN or disabilities. Colleges should have a named person with oversight of SEN provision to ensure co-ordination of support, like the role of the SENCO in schools.

Let's discuss

The purpose of this focus group is to:

- Provide an opportunity for you to share experiences of health services
- Discuss pathways to support services and share links to resources
- Answer any questions you may have around health and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

Let's talk with Thurrock's Designated Clinical Officers...

Date: Wednesday 18th January 2023

Time: 10-11am

Place: Microsoft Teams

To book your place, contact

us:

QASEND@thurrock.gov.uk

thurrock.gov.uk

ETPS PFA Update

£1 per week

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY

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Splitting the £1.00

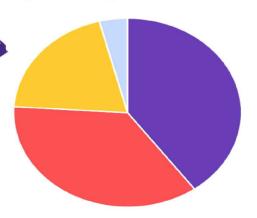
How it works...

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to East Tilbury Primary School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online at YourSchoolLottery.co.uk by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to East Tilbury Primary School



40p goes to our school

36p goes to cash prizes

20p goes to admin costs

4p goes to VAT

The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means



= £30 weekly cash prize

= £2,080 a year for our school



To start supporting, visit: yourschoollottery.co.uk

and search for: East Tilbury Primary

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older





Do you receive any of the following?

- Income support
- Employment Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and your income (as calculated by the Inland Revenue) is less than £16.190
- Universal Credit
- Receiving support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act of 1999
- In the Armed Forces

If you can answer yes to any of the above you may qualify for free school meals/Pupil Premium

The school office will help with your application. If your application is successful not only will your child receive free school meals, but our school will receive £1,300 additional funding (per child). This is called Pupil Premium.

All applications are confidential.





2022-2023 SCHOOL TERM DATES

| September 2022 | | | | | | October 2022 | | | | | | November 2022 | | | | | | | December 2022 | | | | | | | | | |
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| School Holiday |
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| Bank Holiday |
| Additional Autumn Half Term (currently Thurrock schools only) |
| Inset days, schools closed to students (20 th /21 st July payback for Twilight sessions) |
| Trust Conference, schools closed to students |



Keep in touch!

We are missing being in contact but do not forget we are still here to help where we can.



Our school office is open to receive calls between 8:30am and 3pm.

Tel: 01375 846181

Email:office.etp@osborne.coop



Princess Margaret Road
East Tilbury, Essex, RM18 8SB



We are also regularly updating our Facebook page and Twitter feed.

Log on and have a look!



Twitter: @EastTPrimary

At East Tilbury Primary School our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are:

- Mrs Bates
- ♦ Mrs Dawson

Due to the size of the school, we have the following designated staff who can deputise in the Head of School's absence:

- ♦ Mr Gowland
- ♦ Mr Bennett
- Mrs Jarvis
- ♦ Mrs Mylam
- ♦ Mrs Allen

Pupils can contact any of our Safeguarding Team during the school day.

Worried about a child? You can phone or write to MASH about your concerns. Phone immediately if you believe it is urgent.

Thurrock MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding hub), Civic Offices, New Road, Grays, Essex, RM17 6SL, Tel: 01375 652802. Emergency Duty Team (for out of hours) 01375 372468. Police Child Abuse Investigation Team 01277 266822 or call 999 if you are concerned a child needs immediate protection. Childline 0800 11 11 www.childline.org.uk NSPCC 0808 800 5000 www.nspcc.org.uk; www.facebook.com/nspcc





LOCATIONS

Here are the opening times and locations for our foodbank centres. Everyone who comes to the foodbank for emergency food needs to have a valid foodbank voucher.

Tues 14:00-16:00: St. Mary's Church hall, St. Mary's Church, Dock Rd, Grays, RM17 6EX.

Weds 09:30-12:00: Thurrock Christian Fellowship, 2-4 Chase Rd, Corringham, S17 7QH

Weds 13:30-15:00: Sockets Heath Baptist Church, Premier Avenue, Grays, RM16 2SB

Thurs 11:00-13:00: St. Francis Centre, Somerset Rd, Linford, SS17 OQA

Thurs 11:00-13:00: All Saints Church of England, Foyle Drive, Sth Ockendon, RM15 5HF

Fri 10:12:00: St. Stephen's Church of England, London Rd, Purfleet, RM19 1QD

Sat 09:30-11:30: Emmanuel Church of England, Sleepers Farm Rd, Chadwell St. Mary, RM16 4TP

Sat 10:00-12:00: All Saints Church of England, Foyle Drive, Sth Ockendon, RM15 5HF

Sat 10:00-12:00: Christian Gates of Praise International Christian Centre, 79-83 London Rd, Grays, RM 17 5YF