



# School News

## A MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another busy week of fun-filled learning here at East Tilbury Primary School!

### Non-uniform to support biscuit time and national 'Wear Red Day' 2023 – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

At East Tilbury Primary School, we believe that everyone should be respected regardless of race, religion, or gender. Next Friday we have our regular non-uniform day to support the raising of funds for our classroom nurture biscuit time. We will be combining that non-uniform day with a national anti-racism event where we encourage the children to wear red as part of their non-uniform. Please support through donations of £1 towards our nurture biscuit time but also let's stand in solidarity with one another and support the 'wear red day'. To find out more about this day please visit [Wear Red Day - Show Racism the Red Card](#) for more information.

### Parent/Teacher Consultation meetings - save the date!

Please put the following dates in your diaries for our teacher/ parent consultation meetings:

-YR, Y1 and Y2 will take place on Monday and Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> November

-Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 will take place on Wednesday and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> November

More details around timings and the booking procedure will come out prior to the half-term break.

The meeting will be face-to-face and take place in our dance studio hall from 3.30pm.

### Harvest

This year the school will be donating your food donations to Thurrock Food bank. On Thursday of the first week back after half term break (9<sup>th</sup> Nov), please bring any donations to the gate that you usually bring your children through in the morning. At each gate there will be a black container that you can leave your donation in, and this will then be collected by the food bank staff later that day. The Thurrock Food bank provide meal packs for vulnerable families across Thurrock and perform amazing practical support to the local communities of Thurrock. Please see the information poster later in the newsletter for information on the types of food that can be donated. Thank you in advance for your food donations.

We hope that you and your families have a relaxing weekend.

The Leadership Team

# Upcoming Events



## Children in Need

We are having a SPOTacular “dress up and donate” day for Children in Need. Pupils may wear spotty clothing for a SPOTacular look on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

## Individual Photographs

The school photographer will be in school in Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> of October 2023. Sibling photographs will be taken throughout the school day.





# SEND in Focus

## SEND and Nurture Parent Drop In

Friday 20th October 2023  
9am—10am

Do you have any questions or concerns about your child's special needs or emotional wellbeing?

Mrs Mylam and Mrs Allen will be available to help with your individual enquiries.

Please sign in at the school office.



# Important Information



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This session is designed to show parents and carers how they can support their children navigate the online world. You can book your place by visiting [www.thurrocklscp.org.uk](http://www.thurrocklscp.org.uk)

**Walk Online Roadshow for  
Parents, Carers and Practitioners  
Wednesday 22nd November 2023  
- 20:00 till 21:30**

**THURROCK LOCAL  
SAFEGUARDING  
CHILDREN  
PARTNERSHIP**

Thurrock LSCP have offered the Walk Online Roadshow for all Years 5s. We are pleased to be able to offer a session for parents, carers and practitioners.

This session explores how parents, carers and practitioners can support their children to navigate the online world. Visit the website to access the link.

Please note that this session is for over 18s only.

[www.thurrocklscp.org.uk](http://www.thurrocklscp.org.uk)

If your child has an injury and has been given medical advice that we need to follow as a school, please bring them to the school office for 8.15am on their first day back at school following the injury so that we can complete a risk assessment. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Absence

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.

# We need you



If you are collecting Year 1 or 2 pupils from the school playground, please go back out of the blue gate you came onto the playground through rather than waiting on the inside of the Key Stage 2 silver gate.

Thank you

Please label all children's school uniform. This helps us return lost property to the correct child and prevents parents from having to replace missing uniform as often. This is particularly important as the weather is getting colder and children are beginning to wear jumpers/cardigans to school.

We are missing a significant number of reading books. If you have any left at home (whatever condition) from last academic year, please return them.

Thank you

Please be reminded that pupils should not be wearing jewellery to school. Children with pierced ears may wear stud earrings but hoops are not permitted.

Thank you for your support

In the final week of this half term, year 1 will be creating their own toys using junk modelling. If you have any recycling/junk modelling resources (clean yoghurt pots, kitchen roll tubes, cereal boxes etc) that you are happy to donate, could you please pass them to the year 1 teachers. Thank you for your support..

We are continually updating our OPAL resources and would gladly accept donations of:

- Tennis balls
- Footballs
- Bats
- Dressing up clothes
- Colouring books
- Crayons
- Big cars
- Lego



# We need you



## Harvest Collection 2023 – 9<sup>th</sup> November

Thank you for collecting for Thurrock Foodbank. Here is a list of items you may be able to donate. Please make sure everything is in date. We are very grateful for your support.

- Tinned fish
- Tinned meat
- Rice
- Sponge Puddings
- Tinned Potatoes
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Biscuits
- Tea/Coffee
- Long life fruit juice
- Pasta Sauce
- Tinned custard
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Toiletries eg.soap, shower gel, deodorant



# Diary Dates

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Individual photos (sibling photos will be completed throughout the day)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 9am-10am	SEND and Nurture Parent Drop In
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Wear Red Day
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October – 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2023	October Half Term
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Reception Phonics Parent Workshop and stay and play 9:00-10:00 and 2:00-3:00
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Reception Phonics Parent Workshop and stay and play 9:00-10:00 and 2:00-3:00
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	EYFS and KS1 Parent Consultations
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	EYFS and KS1 Parent Consultations
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	KS2 Parent Consultations
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	KS2 Parent Consultations
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Children in Need
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2023	Reception Speech and Language Parent Workshop and stay and play
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	INSET day (school closed to pupils)
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Trust Conference Day (school closed to pupils)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Pupils back to school
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Y6 SATs Meeting for parents/carers
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Reception Parent Workshop and stay and play
19 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2024	Half Term

# Do you need support?



## East Tilbury Primary Schools Online Pastoral Support.

We are very excited to launch our new Pastoral service to our school community. From today you can access support by completing a simple and quick online form.

We have been working hard over the last few months to set up extra support for our families which is very much needed at this challenging time. If you require support, then please do not hesitate to reach out. We are hoping this service will be a fantastic addition to the support we can provide for our school community. Please reach out if you need anything, we are always here to offer you support.

To make the process simple we have created a QR Code (at the top of the poster) which you can just scan, and this will take you directly to the form.

## WE CAN HELP WITH

- Food
- Wellbeing
- Trip Payments

## FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:

[www.easttilburyprimary.thurrock.sch.uk](http://www.easttilburyprimary.thurrock.sch.uk)

Our school uniform shop is currently closed due to our stock room being affected by RAAC. If you need support with school uniform please visit the 180 project in Chadwell St Mary.

[mycommunitychurch.org.uk/community/projects](http://mycommunitychurch.org.uk/community/projects)



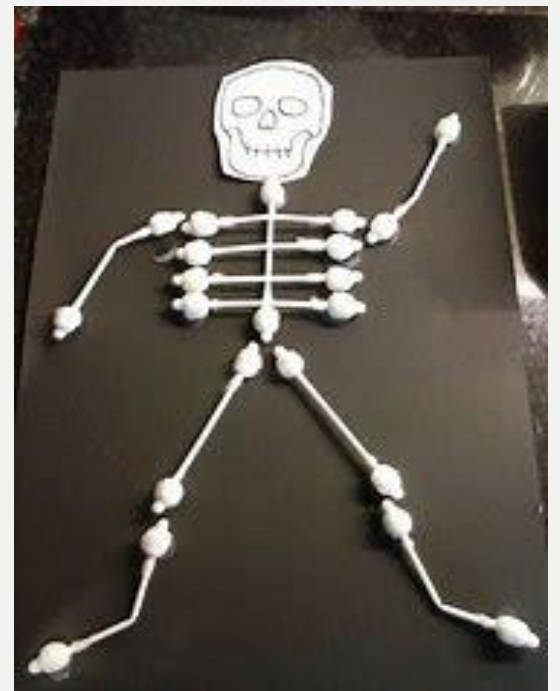
# Class News

## Reception

This week in reception we have been reading the story Funny Bones written by Janet and Allan Ahlberg. We used interesting words to write a sentence as a group, one group said, "The family marched quickly to the park in the dark gloomy evening".

We created skeleton pictures using cotton buds and chalk, we have created our own germ monsters by blowing paint around and adding googly eyes, we also have enjoyed going to the outdoor classroom to do some leaf and bark rubbing.

In maths we have had a Teddy Bears picnic with a big bear and a little bear, we had to sort items that each bear could use, such as a big spoon a big plate, a big bowl and a little plate, a little bowl and a little spoon. We realised that the big bear had all the big items and the little bear had all the little items.



# Class News

## Year Two

This week in year 2, in English, the children have been continuing with the Write Stuff and exploring the Savanna, looking at animals and the habitats that they live ready to create a non-chronological report.. During Maths, the children have been completing a range of activities on number bonds (10, 20 and 100). In Geography, the children have been comparing the capital city of Kanya (Nairobi) and the capital of England (London), looking at similarities and differences.



## Year Three

In Year 3, it has been a fun-filled week of exploration and discovery. We have been reviewing place value in our maths classes. We have been putting a lot of effort into securing our understanding of hundreds, tens, and ones.

In English, we have begun writing our independent write, which is inspired by the book, "Stone Age Boy". Year 3 have been bursting with so many creative ideas; the teachers and LSAs cannot wait to read their finished pieces.

In Science, we have explored soil formation. In each class, we had the opportunity to handle soil – we did wash our hands afterwards - and discussed how it is composed of four different elements: air, water, minerals and organic matter. This learning has helped us further our understanding of rocks and palaeontology.

This Friday, we have had an exciting curriculum day. We spent our day exploring Chromebooks, learning about servers, switches and networks; we played a game in groups where we became a network with one person acting as the messenger switch. We all thoroughly enjoyed using the technology we have within school.

This week has undoubtedly been full of new learning. In order to practise our times tables and develop into a 5 times per week reader, don't forget to log into TT Rockstars and Bug Club at home. It is an excellent way to boost your confidence.



# Class News

## Year Four

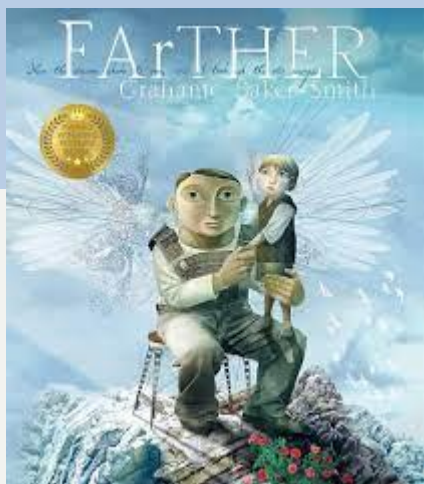
During this week, Year Four have been working hard in all areas of the curriculum.

Reading – Both as part of our curriculum and for pleasure, we have reading Anglo-Saxon Boy. A story about a young warrior (Magnus) who aims to assist his father in gaining the crown in England, learn to be a leader, all whilst still trying to mature into a man – ready for the fight ahead.

English – pupils have been focussing on the book 'Farther'. We have been exploring the front cover, the first few pages and inferring why the title was spelt the way it was, as well as themes within the book itself.

Minus Maths – In maths we have started the second part of our addition and subtraction topic: column subtraction with at least one exchange.

Fantastic Foundation – in the afternoons, we have been exploring the following: countries in French, habitats in science, respect in PSHE and the WWI in Computing.



# Class News

## Year Five

In PE this half term, year 5 have been working on tag rugby skills such as passing and catching, evasion skills and tag defence. We are building up to be able to play matches against our peers very soon.

The picture shows some of our year 5 pupil channel their inner Owen Farrell by passing 'along the line'.



## Year Six

This week Year 6 pupils have been working hard, consolidating their learning so far. They have tried some past SATs papers, to experience what they are like and to see how much they know already. We will continue to practise using past papers throughout the year, so that by SATs week in the summer term the children are very familiar with them. In the afternoons we have been continuing to explore this term's topics of electricity in science, making Morse Code circuits, and WW2 in history, delving into the life of Anne Frank. We have also had curriculum enrichment day; focusing on using photography in art and look forward to sharing more about what we did in next week's newsletter. Also, next week there is a trust wide TTRS competition and we will be encouraging children to take part and use TTRS at school, please continue to encourage your children to also participate at home.

**TTRS ROCK SLAM!**  
Gibson Co-operative Trust Starts in 6 days

**Info** [Class Enrollment](#) [School Results](#) [Class Results](#) [Pupil Results](#) [Certificates](#)

**Timings**

Start date: 16th October 2023, 09:00	End date: 20th October 2023, 15:00	Daily open times: 09:00 - 15:00
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# Reach for the Stars



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	Alfie	For doing his best in all areas of his learning.
REC	Frankie R	For always trying hard with his learning.
RES	Theodora	For working hard on her sounds and blending.
1GC	Islie	For consistently being a positive role model for her peers.
1FK	Rogue	For being a positive role model for her peers.
1BA	Zayna	For actively participating in carpet sessions with increasing confidence.
2BG	Kaleb-Christopher M	For his increased effort and determination in all his subjects.
2RS	Hitha	For showing great listening skills across all subjects.
2CH	Beau	For being a good role model.
2RM	Leila	For her brilliant ideas during her English lessons this week.
3VP	Samuel O	For his increased effort and determination in all lessons this week.
3ML	Jack C	For his perseverance and participation in all lessons across the curriculum.
3SG	Emalee-Jayne O	For applying her developing knowledge of place value in maths.
3SA	Olivia P	For showing good listening skills in English.
4CP	Louise F	For increasing confidence to share her work.
4NM	Franciszek	For writing an imaginative alternative story for 'The Lost Thing'.
4JP	Eden R	For creating a wonderful wire sculpture of a dove as part of our enrichment day.
5AB	Deborah OD	For consistently giving her best efforts in maths.
5TH	Evie R	Engaging in class discussions with a positive attitude.
5MR	George M	For creating an imaginative poem portrait using his own ideas on Enrichment Day.
6LC	Freya S	For great language choices in narrative writing.
6NB	Irmak K	For good editing skills and always striving to improve her writing.
6JM	Grace R	For excellent use of figurative language in a narrative.



# Maths Marvels



All pupils at East Tilbury Primary have logins for Times Tables Rockstars and are able to log on at home to practice their times tables.

8th October - 13th October 2023



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8th October - 13th October 2023



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8th October - 13th October 2023



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3SG

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8th October - 13th October 2023



2RS

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2CH

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8th October - 13th October 2023



4NM

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## Keep in Touch



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

Tel: 01375 846181  
Email: [office.etp@osborn.e.coop](mailto:office.etp@osborn.e.coop)

East Tilbury Primary School  
Princess Margaret Road  
East Tilbury, Essex, RM18 0EP



We are also regularly updating our Facebook page and Twitter feed. Log on and have a look!



Twitter:  
[@EastTPrimary](https://twitter.com/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 Headteacher's absence:

- Mr Gowland
- Mrs Jarvis
- Mrs Mylam
- Mrs Allen
- Mrs Sheridan

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](http://www.childline.org.uk) · NSPCC 0808 800 5000 [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk); [www.facebook.com/nspcc](https://www.facebook.com/nspcc)



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

**Tues 11:00-13:00:** St. John the Baptist Church, Tilbury, Dock Road, Tilbury, RM18 7PP

**Weds 11:00-13:00:** Gateway People's Centre, High Street, Stanford Le Hope, Essex, SS17 0EY

**Weds 13:00 -14:30:** Sockets Heath Baptist Church, Premier Avenue, Grays, RM16 2SB

**Thurs 11:00-13:00:** St. Francis Centre, Somerset Rd, Linford, SS17 0QA

**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, RM175YF



**Have you received an ASD diagnosis for your child?**

**Do you have questions or concerns?**

**Do you need someone to talk to?**

The Specialist Health Visiting Team Nursery Nurse will be available for you on the last Monday of every month with a friendly face and a cup of tea at the Child Development Centre, Gifford House, Thurrock Community Hospital, Long Lane, Grays, RM16 2PX  
09:30-10:30am











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<b>Autumn Term:</b>	Monday 4 September 2023 – Wednesday 20 December 2023 <i>Half Term 23 October – 3 November</i>	73 days
<b>Spring Term:</b>	Thursday 4 January 2024 – Thursday 28 March 2024 <i>Half Term 19 February - 23 February</i>	56 days
<b>Summer Term:</b>	Monday 15 April 2024 – Tuesday 23 July 2024 (22-23 July twilight inset payback) <i>Half Term 27 May – 31 May, and May Bank Holiday - 6 May</i>	66 days
		195 days

	School Holiday
	Additional autumn half term
	Inset days, schools closed to students
	Trust conference, schools closed to students