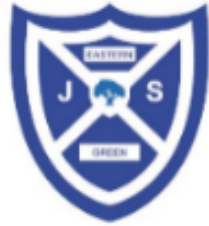


Eastern Green Junior School

21st November 2025 – Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday! As the weather turns much colder, please ensure your child comes to school with a proper winter coat. A fleece alone is not sufficient to keep them warm. Any child without a suitable coat will not be able to go outside during break and lunchtimes for their own safety and comfort.

Fire Service Visit

Year 4 had an exciting visit from the local **Fire Service** this week! The children asked lots of amazing questions and learned about the important work firefighters do and how to stay safe. Key fire safety tips include:

- Never play with matches or lighters.
- Know your escape routes at home.
- Stop, Drop, and Roll if clothes catch fire.
- Call 999 in an emergency.

Eco Committee Initiatives

Our Eco Committee has been busy this week working with our school chef, Becky, discussing:

- Reducing food waste
- Recycling practices
- Meat-free meal options
- Using local suppliers
- Fair Trade products
- Reducing food miles

We're proud of their commitment to making our school more sustainable!

Sporting Success

We've had lots of sporting opportunities recently! Our newly formed Year 3 and 4 Girls' Football Team played in a tournament and showed fantastic teamwork and determination.

WOW Badges

We've distributed lots of WOW badges to children participating in our initiative to keep active by walking, scooting, or cycling to school. Thank you for supporting this healthy habit!

Well done everyone! Preparations for Christmas are now well underway, with the children diligently learning their Year group Christmas songs for this Years 'Top of the Pops' themed Christmas concert.

Warmest regards,

Ms Brown



Headteacher

Diary Dates

Monday 1st December - Y4 Dodgeball competition at the Alan Higgs centre

Thursday 4th December - Whole School Dress Rehearsal for the Christmas Performance

Tuesday 9th December - 3.45 pm - Christmas After School Performance

Wednesday 10th December - 10am - Christmas piano concert - parents of children having piano/ keyboard lessons are invited to watch, Christmas Afternoon Performance and Christmas dinner day, Please do encourage your child to have a Christmas dinner from the school kitchen - our Christmas dinners are festive and delicious and eating Christmas dinner together is a lovely experience!

Friday 12th December - Rock Steady concert at 2pm - Parents of children accessing Rock Steady Music Lessons invited into school

Wednesday 17th - Thursday 18th December - Children invited to wear their Christmas jumpers to school on these two days with their school uniform!

Thursday 18th December - Christmas crafts day (could be messy - bring an apron or an old shirt to wear over your Christmas jumper and school clothes!)



Friday 19th December - Christmas toy / party day - full non-uniform - bring a board game or a non-electronic toy to play with your friends!



Uniform Reminder:



As we move into the colder months, all pupils should now be wearing our **full school uniform**. Please ensure that **summer uniform items such as polo shirts, summer dresses, and shorts are not worn until after the Easter break**. This is not the correct uniform and is only permitted when the weather requires it.

👦 **Boys Winter Uniform:**

- Grey trousers, White shirt, School tie, Grey socks, Grey sweater, Black shoes

👧 **Girls Winter Uniform:**

- Grey skirt, trousers, or pinafore dress, White blouse, School tie, Grey sweater or cardigan, Grey tights or white socks, Black, flat shoes

In Celebration Assembly each week, two pupils from each class are chosen to receive a Headteacher's Award and a Values Award. These awards are for pupils who consistently demonstrate our school values, *or* demonstrate to the teacher something exceptional that week that deserves recognition.

This week's Headteacher Award and Values Award Winners are:

Year 3	3J		3C	
	Everyone for being so brilliant in their first assessment week at Junior School 😊			
Year 4	4BC		4C	
	Austin	James	Macy	Alana
Year 5	5LA		5C	
	Tabetha	Zachary	Everyone for coping so well this week in Mr Cledwyn's absence! (Get well soon Mr C!)	
Year 6	6PS		6M	
	Oscar St	Jayden	Mila	Arlo



o Kind Hearts Award

Each week the children and staff are invited to nominate a 'Kind Hearts' winner – these are children who consistently show our school values and whose actions are infused with kindness, empathy and love in all of their interactions – there is a nomination folder where our school community are encouraged to recommend someone who has been kind in some way to their friends and school family.

This week's Kind Hearts Winner is Jayden in Year 6 who showed some incredible kindness, empathy and maturity to a fellow classmate this week – we are so proud of you Jayden!



Each week the midday team are invited to nominate a 'Lunchtime Award' winner – these are children who consistently show our school values and behave beautifully at lunchtime, both in the school dining hall and out on the playground.

Our **Lunchtime Award Winner** this week is Darcy in Year 4 - We are so proud of you! You have been spotted showing beautiful manners and respectful behaviours at all times at lunchtime; and as Cohen said "I knew it would be her – she's always been wonderful." 😊

Hot School Dinners – We Really Need Your HELP!

We're so sorry to have to keep repeating this message, but it is becoming a serious issue for our school. We are currently losing a *significant amount* of money every week to subsidise hot dinners, and without more uptake, this service is at risk. (Over £800 a month of school money must supplement this service.)

Our school meals are freshly prepared, balanced, and designed to give children the energy and nutrition they need to thrive throughout the day. They also provide a great opportunity for children to enjoy a variety of foods in a warm, social setting with their peers.

There's no need to pre-order—just choose a day that works for your child and let them enjoy a wholesome meal. Even one hot dinner a week makes a big difference and helps us keep the service running for everyone.

We completely understand that routines and preferences vary, but your support really matters. Without it, we may have to make difficult decisions about the future of our catering provision. We really need support with this; does your child ever have a hot dinner? Can you encourage them to do so – even occasionally when there is something on the menu that tickles their fancy!? We would be so grateful – this requires everyone's support. 😊

Thank you for helping us provide healthy, affordable meals for all our pupils.

