

# Eastern Green Junior School

19<sup>th</sup> December 2025 – Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderfully festive week we've enjoyed! 🎄

- Christmas Crafts Day yesterday was an absolute joy. Children from across the school, worked in mixed-age groups - seeing our youngest pupils collaborating with older children was truly heartwarming.
- Year 6 Christmas Games on Wednesday were a smashing success, raising an impressive £550! A heartfelt thank you to every child who supported Year 6's fundraising efforts.
- Our Christmas Party Day today was magical. The children relished the chance to play together; it's just as valuable as academic days, offering vital opportunities for social growth, teamwork, and joyful memories.

While teachers are understandably tired, they've absolutely loved sharing in the children's excitement. A huge thank you to our dedicated staff team for everything they do to go above and beyond for our pupils at EGJS.

## 📊 Attendance Matters – A Call to Action

We're seeing small pockets of low attendance impacting our school community. Here's why every day really does count:

Being present **95–100% of the time** can boost your child's chances of meeting expected standards in reading, writing, and maths in Year 6 by **30%** compared to only 90–95% attendance. *Every day matters!* Every absence can set your child back - socially, academically, and emotionally. Let's support our school-wide goal to improve attendance by ensuring our children are here, ready, and engaged every day.

### What You Can Do

- **Book holidays and appointments** outside term time wherever possible.
- **Encourage morning routines** that ensure prompt arrival each day and only have a day off if you are genuinely too ill – we have attached government guidance below!

Together, we can help every child at EGJS receive the full benefits of school, both inside and outside the classroom. Thank you once again for your continued support, and here's to finishing the term on a high note!

Warm wishes,

Headteacher

# Diary Dates - Spring Term One

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January** - School reopens for Spring Term

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January** - Year 6 children completing Health Questionnaires

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January** - School Nurse Team visiting school to meet with Year 6 children

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January** - All Year 5 and 6 children at Young Voices! Return time estimate 10pm - Follow the school Facebook page for updates!

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January** - Year 6 Assessment week - please ensure all Year 6 children attend this week well rested and having had a hearty breakfast 😊

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January** - Year 6 Rainforests workshop all day!

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January** - Year 6 Manor Adventure Parents meeting - **vital that all parents whose children are going to Manor Adventure attend** (even if you have had an older child attending in the past, please do come for updates!)

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January** - Year 3, 4 and 5 Assessment Week - please ensure all children attend this week well rested and having had a hearty breakfast 😊

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb** - We're excited to announce a **Chocolate and Cake Sale** to raise funds for **new reading books** for our school library will be happening today!

## How you can help?

- Please donate **chocolates and cakes** (homemade or store-bought) for the sale.
- Donations can be brought to school on **Wednesday 4th February** or on the morning of the sale.

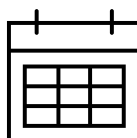
Every contribution helps us provide more wonderful books for our children to enjoy. Thank you for your support!



**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February** - Break up for half term

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February** - School is closed for teacher training

**Half Term** - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February



# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

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| Chickenpox                                     | at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over  |
| Diarrhoea and Vomiting                         | 48 hours after their last episode  |
| Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19) | they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19. |
| Impetigo                                       | their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics  |
| Measles  | 4 days after the rash first appeared   |
| Mumps  | 5 days after the swelling started  |
| Scabies  | they've had their first treatment  |
| Scarlet Fever                                  | 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics   |
| Whooping Cough                                 | 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics   |

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

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| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
| Head lice            | Tonsillitis     |
| Threadworms          | Slapped cheek   |



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### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

A HUGE thank you to Karen and the amazing team at Studio Megastar for their incredible generosity! Every child will be going home today with a festive selection box, kindly gifted by them. This thoughtful gesture has brought so much excitement and joy to our pupils! We are so grateful for your kindness and support in making this time of year extra special for our school community.

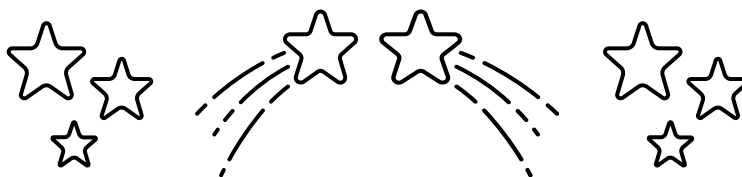


If you're looking for an unforgettable experience, Studio Megastar is the ultimate children's party venue in Coventry - thank you again, Karen and team, for spreading so much Christmas cheer!

Click the link below:

[Children's Party Venue | Coventry | Studio Megastar](#)

At the end of each half term, teachers choose one child from each class to receive a Star Award!



These children have shown our school values consistently **all day every day** at EGJS!

These are children who have behaved impeccably and tried their hardest in EVERYTHING that they do!

**Well done to this Half Term's Class Stars – we are so proud of each and every one of you!**



As we reach the end of this festive term, we want to take a moment to thank each and every one of you for your support, kindness, and commitment throughout the year.



We wish all our children and families a wonderful, peaceful Christmas filled with joy, laughter, and special moments with loved ones. May the holiday season bring rest, happiness, and time to recharge.

To our children, families, and staff; thank you for everything you do to make EGJS such a caring and vibrant community. We look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year for more learning, growth, and shared successes. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us at EGJS!

