



This Week at EASTERN GREEN



FRIDAY
8TH MAY
2026



A lovely week full of learning, experiences and teamwork!



YEAR 3 TRIP TO BISHOP'S WOOD

This week, our Year 3 children enjoyed a fantastic trip to Bishop's Wood, where they stepped back in time to experience life in the Stone Age. The children took part in a range of hands-on activities and learnt about how early humans survived, including shelter building, tool making and understanding how daily life changed over time.

Learning about history in this way is so important because it helps children understand how society has developed, encourages curiosity about the world and develops empathy and appreciation for how different life was for people in the past. It also helps children build important skills such as questioning, reasoning and interpreting evidence.

The children were an absolute credit to the school throughout the visit. Their behaviour, manners and enthusiasm were commented on repeatedly by staff at the centre and members of the public. We were incredibly proud of the way they represented Eastern Green.

A huge thank you to Miss Clarke, Miss Judge, Mrs Podmore, Mrs Hanger, Miss Williams and Mrs Smith for giving up their time to make the trip possible and for looking after the children so brilliantly throughout the day.



GIRLS' FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On Tuesday, our Lower Key Stage 2 girls' football team represented the school in a tournament and played their hearts out from start to finish.

Their teamwork, determination and encouragement towards one another made us extremely proud.

Results are always secondary to the resilience, sportsmanship and confidence children develop through experiences like these, and the girls demonstrated all of those qualities brilliantly.



THANK YOU!

Thank you for the lovely comments we have received about the new-look newsletter format. We are really pleased that so many families are enjoying the new magazine-style feel.

We genuinely want parents and carers to enjoy reading the newsletter each week and to feel connected to all the wonderful things happening across school, so your feedback has been lovely to hear.

Please do continue to share it with family members and others in our community — we love celebrating all the amazing things our children do both in and out of school.



PLEASE KEEP CHECKING!

Please do keep checking the newsletter each week as we continue to add details about upcoming events, important reminders and lots of lovely news from across the school community.



Thank you for your ongoing support – we are so proud of our wonderful school!

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!



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Ms Brown
Headteacher



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Diary Dates – Summer Term One



YEAR 6 SATS WEEK

All Year 6 pupils in school on time for SATS week



WE BELIEVE IN YOU!



During SATs week, the tests are closely monitored by the Local Authority and must begin promptly at the scheduled time. Any child arriving late to school can negatively impact the start of the test session, which is something we must avoid.

We therefore ask for your full support in ensuring your child is in school every day and on time, particularly during this important week.

Please note: Monday 11th May marks the start of Year 6 SATs Week, and it is essential that all Year 6 pupils arrive punctually each morning during this week so that the tests can run smoothly and calmly for everyone involved.



IT IS SO IMPORTANT THAT CHILDREN GET HERE ON TIME FOR THIS – WE MUST START PROMPTLY.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

ARRIVE ON TIME

Being on time helps us start the day calmly and ready to learn.



A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP

A good sleep helps our brains rest and get ready for the day.



EAT BREAKFAST

A healthy breakfast gives us energy and helps us to concentrate.



STAY CALM & POSITIVE

A positive attitude helps us do our best and feel proud!



NON UNIFORM DAY

Bring a gold or silver coin to help replenish book stocks.



WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK –

see details below!



YEAR 4 TRIP TO CADBURY'S WORLD



SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TEACHER TRAINING DAY



MAY HALF TERM

MONDAY 25TH MAY – FRIDAY 29TH MAY



RETURN TO SCHOOL



We can't wait to see you!



Thank you for your continued support. Together we learn, grow and achieve!

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Headteacher



WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

is back at EGJS! ♥



We are excited to be bringing back our **Walking Bus** during the week commencing Monday 18th May!

Walking to school has so many benefits:

- ★ Keeps us active and healthy
- ★ Helps children feel awake, refreshed and ready to learn
- ★ Supports positive wellbeing and reduces stress
- ★ Gives children time to socialise with friends before the school day
- ★ Helps the environment by reducing traffic and pollution around school



♥ Families are warmly invited to join staff on our **Walking Bus** routes throughout the week. Children can join at any stop along the route. ♥

ROUTE 1 – Monday 18th & Wednesday 20th May

- 8:15am – Unicorn Avenue (opposite Jenkins Avenue)
- 8:20am – Upper Eastern Green Lane/ Windermere Avenue
- 8:25am – Upper Eastern Green Lane/ Sutton Avenue
- 8:35am – Sutton Avenue/Rodway Drive
- 8:40am – Fredrick Neal Avenue (opposite Coniston Drive)



ROUTE 2 – Tuesday 19th & Thursday 21st May

- 8:25am – Bannerbrook shops (outside the fish & chip shop)
- 8:30am – Banner Lane/Broad Lane
- 8:35am – Broad Lane/Hockley Lane
- 8:40am – Garrick Close/Hockley Lane



PLEASE ENSURE CHILDREN ARRIVE PROMPTLY AT THEIR CHOSEN STOP as we will need to keep to a strict timetable and will **not** be able to wait for late arrivals.

If your child is booked on but cannot attend for any reason, please contact the school office on 024 7646 5077 or email: pe@easterngreen.coventry.sch.uk



TO BOOK YOUR CHILD ONTO THE WALKING BUS, PLEASE EMAIL:

pe@easterngreen.coventry.sch.uk

Please include:

- ✓ The day(s) your child would like to join
- ✓ Which stop they will join from



★ **BOOKINGS SHOULD BE MADE BY FRIDAY 15TH MAY** ♥ ★



TIMES TABLES

are the key to success in maths!

By the end of Year 4, all children should know all of their times tables and corresponding division facts up to 12×12 – and here's why...



WHY IT MATTERS

Times tables are used in almost every area of maths. When children know their facts fluently, they can focus on solving problems rather than working out basic calculations.

If a child has to stop and work out simple facts, it overloads their working memory. This makes maths harder, slower and much more stressful.

Fluent recall = confidence, speed and success!



TIMES TABLES ARE ESSENTIAL FOR:

FRACTIONS



Finding equivalent fractions, simplifying and multiplying fractions.

RATIO & PROPORTION



Solving problems involving ratio, proportion and scaling.

MULTIPLICATION & DIVISION



Long multiplication and long division depend on quick recall of facts.

MENTAL ARITHMETIC



Quick mental calculations become so much easier.

PATTERNS & ALGEBRA



Spotting patterns and understanding number relationships.

PERCENTAGES & DECIMALS



Converting, comparing and calculating with percentages and decimals.



TIMES TABLES ARE THE BUILDING BLOCKS FOR ALMOST EVERY MATHEMATICAL SKILL



♥ PARENTS, WE NEED YOU!

- ✓ Children who do well with their maths do so with support at home.
- ✓ All children are capable of learning these facts and committing them to memory.
- ✓ If your child is in Year 5 and doesn't know them yet, this will make Year 6 very hard.
- ✓ Going from Year 4 into Year 5 equally – you are going to be majorly disadvantaged.



HOW YOU CAN HELP AT HOME



POST-IT NOTES AROUND THE HOUSE

Stick them on mirrors, doors, the fridge, bedsides – everywhere! Little reminders make a big impact.



TEST IN THE CAR OR ON THE GO

Quick-fire questions while travelling or walking to school builds confidence and fluency.



LEARN A FEW FACTS EACH WEEK

Focus on a few facts at a time and revisit them regularly. Re-check frequently.



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Use our online platform regularly – it's fun and really effective!



LEARN THE RELATED DIVISION FACTS TOO

If $6 \times 7 = 42$, then $42 \div 7 = 6$ and $42 \div 6 = 7$. It helps understanding and recall.



CHANT AND SAY THE FACTS ALOUD

Saying them out loud helps children hear, remember and recall them more easily.



FOCUS ON SPEED AND FLUENCY

Once accuracy is secure, challenge your child to recall faster and faster.



OVERLEARN TO MAKE IT STICK!

Revisiting and repeating facts means they become automatic and easy to recall.



Just 5–10 minutes of practice each day can make a huge difference over time.



TOGETHER, WE CAN GIVE EVERY CHILD THE CONFIDENCE AND SKILLS THEY NEED TO SUCCEED IN MATHS – AND BEYOND!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT – IT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE!





A PLEA TO OUR YEAR 5 PARENTS



Please Help Us Keep Swimming Going! ♥



SWIMMING IS PART OF THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM

All children in Key Stage 2 are required to learn how to swim.

It is an **essential life skill** that can save lives and helps build confidence, resilience, coordination and fitness.



SCHOOL IS COVERING SWIMMING COSTS

School is paying for the swimming provision itself as this is **our duty** as part of delivering the PE curriculum.

We are committed to giving our children the best possible experience.

WE NEED HELP WITH THE COST OF TRANSPORT



- ✓ The nearest suitable swimming pool is nearly an hour's walk away – and we do not want to have to walk children there and back.
- ✓ We have shopped around to get the very best deal we can for coach transport. The cost is **£15.00 per child**.

PLEASE CONTRIBUTE
£15
PER CHILD

TOWARDS TRANSPORT



WHY TRANSPORT IS SO IMPORTANT

- It is nearly an hour's walk to the pool each way. This would be exhausting for children and would reduce learning time.
- We previously had a pop up pool at school. While this seemed like a good idea, children did not learn as effectively as they do in a proper swimming pool with the right facilities, space and environment.



THE IMPACT ON SCHOOL

There are **63** children in Year 5. If we do not receive contributions, this means school will have to find

£945

from our already extremely stretched budget – sadly, money we simply do not have.



A GENUINE SHOUT OUT TO ALL YEAR 5 PARENTS!

If you are able to contribute the **£15** transport contribution for swimming, we would be so incredibly grateful.

Your support makes a huge difference! ♥



THANK YOU!

We completely understand that some families may find this difficult and, as always, if this is the case, please speak to us confidentially.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support, understanding and partnership with school. Working together really does make these opportunities possible for our children. ♥



HOW TO CONTRIBUTE

Please make your **£15** payment via MCAS. Log in to your MCAS account, select Payments, then choose 'Year 5 Swimming Transport' and make your payment.

Thank you! 😊

TOGETHER
WE CAN HELP
OUR CHILDREN
GO FURTHER!

PLEASE HELP US KEEP THIS VALUABLE EXPERIENCE GOING FOR OUR CHILDREN ♥



CELEBRATING OUR PUPILS

In Celebration Assembly each week, two pupils from each class are chosen to receive an 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 award winners are:



Year 3	3C Sophie J	3C Harry	3J Lucas	3J Rowan
Year 4	4C Ieuan	4C Arthur	4BL Helena	4BL Izabelle
Year 5	5C Esme D	5C Poppy L	5LA Harriet	5LA Maisie
Year 6	6PS Oscar St	6PS James	6M Sophia	6M Jude-Joshua




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 Esme D in Year 5 – for being such a wonderful friend and role model to younger pupils – a future teacher in the making! 



Esme is always looking out for others and is one of those children who naturally makes people feel happy, included and cared for. She is thoughtful, gentle and incredibly patient, often helping younger children with a smile and showing such maturity and kindness in the way she speaks to and supports others. Esme consistently demonstrates our school values every single day and is a fantastic example of the caring, respectful young people we are so proud of at Eastern Green. Well done, Esme – we are very lucky to have you in our school family! 



Lunchtime Award

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 William M in Year 6. We are so proud of you! 

William has been noticed time and time again for his fantastic manners, respectful attitude and positive behaviour at lunchtime. He is always polite to staff and pupils, uses excellent manners in the dining hall and sets a wonderful example to younger children through the way he conducts himself. William is kind, sensible and mature on the playground and consistently demonstrates our school values of being Respectful, Ready and Safe. He is a real credit to Year 6 and to our school community. Well done, William!



RESPECT

We respect each other, our environment and ourselves.



READY

We are ready to learn, ready to try our best and ready for the future.



SAFE

We keep ourselves and others safe in school and beyond.



Kindness makes our school a better place every day!

