



East Boldon Infant School

April 2024

Newsletter

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Please check our website for reminders of upcoming events!

SPREAD THE WORD.....

Spaces in all year groups! Please get in touch for further information



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the Summer Term! I wish I could say that the weather is matching our term ahead, but the rain somehow keeps appearing! Hopefully some brighter and sunnier days are ahead for us.

Thank you to those Year 1 parents who managed to attend the Phonics Screening information evening last week. I appreciate a parent event first week back is sometimes a little difficult to juggle, but we value your attendance to these events and hope that you found it useful.

Our Year 1 children also had a spectacular African Drumming event which consolidated their Geography work from last term nicely. I know that there is also a planned trip to Newcastle Castle which supports the History work for this term too which is exciting. Year 2 have booked in a trip to West Boldon Lodge to support habitat work in Science and Reception are hoping to get the farm trip booked in for the final half term to support their Understanding of the World curriculum element.

We really do value your voluntary contributions to the cost of these trips in order to allow them to go ahead. We work closely with the bus company to negotiate the very best cost that we can. This is more difficult with the cost into venues, which are often fixed! But Mrs Elliott always does her best! Unfortunately, if we become unable to cover ongoing costings for the trips over time, it may be that some are not able to go ahead, which we would hate to do as the trips outside of school are so valuable for our children.

Staff have all had discussions with myself this past week and we are working hard across the summer term on specific curriculum targets. Handwriting and spelling has been a focus for us this year and your work at home to continue to keep the profile of this high is so important. Some may have shared with you about the "Thinking Caps" I have purchased for each class! These are a bit of fun and the children have enjoyed wearing them and showing others their thinking talents!

Moving into the final term, the learning certainly does not slow down! Alongside the trips for all year groups planned in, we also have an arts week and our regular health and fitness fortnight, a local history week and an aspirations week. Please check the dates below for your diary, and on the opposite page - particularly the sports days and the leaver's concert date for our Year 2 children.

I look forward to seeing you all over the coming term, and appreciate your continued support as always.

Best Wishes,
Miss Holt

We raised £615 for our Easter raffle, cake sale and tombola at the end of term! A huge thank you! This will support additional activities in school...it has already purchased our caterpillars for Reception's minibeast project!



A few Diary Dates coming up...

- Monday 6th May—MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY
- Tuesday 7th May—Children back to school
- Thursday 9th May—HALO Photography in school for publication pictures
 - W/B 13th May—Dementia Action Week
- Saturday 18th May—Dementia walk from East Boldon Infants to Sycamore Care Home—more details to follow
- W/B 20th May—Local History Week in school—more details to follow
 - Tuesday 21st May—Year 2 to West Boldon Lodge
 - Thursday 23rd May—Year 1 to Newcastle Keep
 - Friday 24th May—School ends for half term

MONDAY 27TH MAY—FRIDAY 31ST MAY—HALF TERM

School returns Monday 3rd June

Miss Holt loves a quote!
 "Happiness is not by chance, but by choice!"
 Jim Rohn



Are all minibeasts scary? Can you choose a minibeast to write about and write some interesting facts that you have found out? Use the non-fiction texts to locate facts.

Worms have no legs so they are not insects. They eat dead leaves. Their poo keeps the soil healthy. Birds eat worms.

Longbirds are insects because they have six legs. They have to hold their wings and their thin wings to fly with. They eat so green stuff every day. They make a smelly yellow liquid to scare away predators.

Butterflies have wings. Butterflies taste like straw. Butterflies drink nectar from flowers. Butterflies stare as caterpillars. Butterflies lay eggs.

Spiders have 8 legs. Spiders make webs so they can catch flies. Spiders eat flies. Spiders move very quick. Spiders lay eggs. Spiders can't see far, but have 6 or 8 eyes.

WOW!

GOOD JOB!

Fantastic

The Royal Banquet

Dear Princess Holt, you are invited to a Royal Banquet in the old castle. starter: fresh tasty garlic bread. main course: hot cheese and tomato pizza. Dessert: blue berry jelly.

Dear King, I would really like to work in your big castle. I want to be your helpful groom because I love animals so can I be a groom? I will clean the grey horse about and feed the horse every day. would you like me to work and you?

see adjectives

Intentional, scary, amazing, color, deadly, mass, massive, terrible, danger, people, ring, sea, lightning, striking, brutal, angry, blue, dark, clown, wings, shiny, boat, endless, ink, bell, grey, crashing, impossible, same, boat, lurching, wooden, boat, scared, boat, almighty, power, scene.

with, such, trip, all, of, water, ship, wave, boat, wind, abandon, wing, grey, seas, ship, whispering.

Zoe was a bookworm. She always had her head in a book. She took her book to the shops to school. Zoe's best friend was Rose. She was going to sleep over at Rose's house to night. Soon it was bed time. Rose slept like a log but Zoe could not go to sleep. Zoe searched around the room for a book to read. She found a book that was heavy and dusty and old. She went back to bed and before she could look at the words she went to sleep.

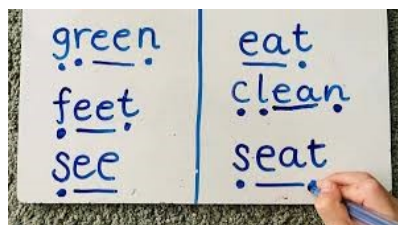
Just a small selection of some wonderful writing since returning from the Easter break! Keep working hard!

Phonic Screening Check 2024

On week beginning 10th June, all of our Year 1 children and the children in Year 2 who did not meet the expected standard in phonics last year, will take the Phonics Screening Check. This is a short check of 40 words to be read aloud by your child with their class teacher.

It would be really helpful if you keep practising reading real and nonsense words with your child—your child's class teacher will have directed you to the phonics play website as well as sending home words for you to practice.

zorpz	dirst
harnd	gair
jigh	thobe
zale	scroy
bluns	spraw



Sports Day Dates.....

We have lots of lovely things planned for our Health and Fitness Fortnight, including some work on the upcoming Euros and Olympics! Please keep the dates of the Sports Days below free...obviously these are weather dependent, so keep everything crossed!

Monday 8th July—Year 2 2pm
Tuesday 9th July—Year 1 2pm
Wednesday 10th July Reception 2pm

Year 2 Leaver's Concert



We have planned in a date for the Leaver's concert for our Year 2 children...please keep the date free.

Tuesday 16th July—2pm

This will be held outside in our school yard (weather permitting) Bring along your tissues—it's bound to be emotional.