



# East Boldon Infant School

## Newsletter

November 2025



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for all of your support as we have moved through this very busy half term on the run up to Christmas! There has been many weather changes in the past few weeks—with plenty of rain and then the snow days which were very exciting for our children!

Parents Evening chats have been completed successfully. Thank you to all parents/carers that have attended over the past few weeks, virtually and in person. It was our first face to face session for a few years and feedback has been positive. We hope that parents have found them useful and know how well children have settled into their new year groups. Target slips hopefully help with letting you know what we are working on in school.

We will be setting a date early in the Spring Term for parents to drop into school across an afternoon to share workbooks with the children, which will be lovely. There will be no rush to these drop ins and plenty time to share books together. There will also be a chance to be involved in a parent workshop alongside your child too. These provisional dates were shared at the beginning of the year, but we will send out an updated calendar with finalised dates early in the new year.

There have been lots of important events discussed with the children over the past few weeks. In school we looked at Black History month across October, we have each looked at the Hindu Festival of Lights—Diwali. Remembrance Day was discussed and the whole school took part in a 1 minute's silence. We have discussed our new character of Respect which fitted perfectly in with our discussions. The school council have been super helpful with Mrs Elliott sharing the poppies and items around school. We will share with you how much has been raised once this has been collected in and counted by the Royal British Legion.

Anti Bullying week took place and we introduced the theme "Power for Good" with a whole school assembly. We followed up our discussions around the principles of Kidsafe, keeping ourselves safe, knowing about our trusted grown ups who we can speak to. We also spoke about kindness, friendships, co-operation and working together.

All of the children were very clear about bullying not being accepted in school, what it actually means to be bullied and what we can do as a school to ensure that it does not happen. Our odd socks day complemented Children in Need day to end the week and was another day of highlighting differences and everyone's uniqueness!

This week has seen the start of the Winter Warmer sessions with Sandra taking place as well as a fabulous afternoon for our Year 1 and 2's watching a pantomime performance.....we are certainly on our way to Christmas now! We look forward to welcoming you to our PTA Christmas Fair on Monday 1st December to get the festivities well under way!

Best wishes,  
Miss Holt

### *A few Diary Dates coming up...*

- Monday 1st December—PTA Christmas Fair in School—3.45-6.00pm—We'd love to see you there!
- Thursday 4th December—PTA AGM at the Grey Horse, 6pm
- Monday 8th December—Toy drop off for Norah's North Pole
- Tuesday 9th December—Reception to visit the Pantomime at Customs House am
- Wednesday 10th December—Year 1 to visit the Pantomime at Customs House am
- Thursday 11th December—Year 2 to visit the Pantomime at Customs House am
- Friday 12th December—**Christmas dinner day in school and Christmas jumper day— children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper this day with their school uniform!**
- Friday 12th December—Toddler Time in school 9.30-10.30—bookings through the school office.
- Monday 15th December – Year 2 Christmas Sing-a-long! 2.15pm at St George's Church
- Tuesday 16th December—Year 1 Christmas Play 2.15pm St George's Church
- Wednesday 17th December—Reception Christmas Play 2.15pm St George's Church
- Thursday 18th December—Children's Christmas Parties in school...plus a special visitor!

**Friday 19th December—School finishes for Christmas Holidays!**  
**School Returns Monday 5th January 2026— HAPPY NEW YEAR!**  
**Ho! Ho! Ho!**



## Miss Holt Loves a quote!

**Bravery is not the absence of fear but the forging ahead despite being afraid**

ROBERT LIPARULO



## Children in Need 2025

On Friday 14th November, to celebrate Children in Need 2025, the children came into school wearing their own clothes plus any Pudsey accessories! It was also odd sock day!

**We raised £219.81 for the CIN charity.  
Thank you!**



## World Kindness Day 2025

This is one of our favourite days in school! Sadly our annual trip around East Boldon was a bit of a wet and soggy one this year and we had to choose our drop off points for our kindness gifts carefully! It was lovely to be able to hand out some gifts personally to some members of the community that we saw on our travels!

**"In a world where you can be anything, be kind"**



## Remembrance in East Boldon



It is always a pleasure to see the pictures from the Remembrance Parade in East Boldon and to see our children be a part of the commemorations. They were clearly demonstrating our values of **respect** and **community**. In school we all completed a 1 minute silence to offer time to think and reflect. I was very proud of all of our children and how they demonstrated our values in school.



## The Festive Season begins....



We were very lucky to be given the treat of seeing a pre-showing of The Clumsiest Christmas Elf!

Rachel from Bigfoot Arts Entertainment who runs our Drama club each Tuesday kindly offered us the chance to view the pantomime performance this week before it rolls out to schools and clubs across the North East.

Thank you Rachel—we loved it!



## Norah's North Pole

This year we are happy to be supporting Norah's North Pole once again. This is a family group who work together with professionals such as social workers and teachers to provide toys to families in need within our local area.

We are a drop off point at school for any new presents you wish to donate. All details can be found online regarding this, however please note that all presents are gratefully received.

I fully understand that this year is a particularly challenging one for everyone, with the cost of living increases.

If you are able to donate a new gift, please send these into school on

**Monday 8th December.**



Although we like to make this a part of our celebrations in school, this date helps the gifts to be delivered in enough time to be sorted. They can be left on the planter seats at morning drop off and these will be collected and taken for distribution.

## Black History Month 2025

We feel it is really important to share Black History opportunities with our children. Across school we have looked at Mo Farah, Rosa Parks and Mary Seacole. In Year 1 the children followed through the story of Rosa Parks with Role Play of the bus scene, making their own posters for the Montgomery Bus Boycott and using our Now Press Play interactive experience detailing the story of Rosa Parks. All of our children demonstrated our characters of **respect and kindness.**

