

# EAST BOLDON JUNIOR SCHOOL Newsletter 1 - September 2018



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## Welcome

Welcome back to another academic year at East Boldon Junior School and an extra big welcome to our Year 3s, who have settled so quickly! We hope that you all had a great time over the summer holidays. There have been a number of changes in school this summer: decorating; classroom changes; new improved internet provision in every classroom; C-Touch interactive screens and more. The school has lots of exciting plans this year to motivate, encourage and support high quality learning.

# **Maths Family Wonder**

Last year, Mr Wilson introduced mathematics puzzles in assemblies. On Monday, he will tell the



pupils all about this year's challenges. They are to be shared with family members and completed at home. One challenge is designed for Year 3 and another is for Years 4-6. These puzzles use a variety of mathematical skills and have been created to be completed together, involving lots of talk and discussion. Sometimes children can take the lead, while in other tasks, adults can offer more help. These tasks are designed to be a bit of fun but also a challenge. Solutions can be submitted in the answer box in the foyer by parents or in the answer box in the hall by children. The first challenge will be given out on Monday 10th September. All correct answers received by 3.30pm on the following Monday will enter the draw. Please don't stress, just enjoy trying to work out a solution! Mr Wilson plans to host an assembly once every two weeks to go through the solutions and pick out a correct answer.

### **Homework Books**

Parental feedback is very important to us - last year we changed the homework system and we were pleased with the positive feedback that we received. Next Friday, every pupil will be given their homework book containing a grid of activities and a letter explaining our new system inside the front page.

#### **Music Tuition**

We have tried to keep the cost of individual/small group music lessons to a minimum and the charges haven't changed in years, but reluctantly, we have had to increase the cost from £40 per term to £50 this year. We hope that you feel that this is still excellent value – under £4 per week.

#### **Great North Run**

Many of you will have your running trainers ready and have been



very busy training for the Great North Run, the Junior North Run or the Mini North Run this weekend. The very best of luck to everyone taking part.

If you are going along to support the runners on their journey from Newcastle to South Shields, keep an eye out for Mrs Burns (running for the first time) and Mr Shenton (raising money for the Sir Bobby Robson Foundation).

#### **School Meals**

Please remember that dinner money is to be handed in on a Monday morning in the school envelopes provided until ParentPay is up and running. Thank you