



# EAST BOLDON JUNIOR SCHOOL

## Newsletter 1 - September 2020



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### Our school newsletters

Here is our first school newsletter of the academic year. We will use this document to share with you what is happening in school throughout the year. These newsletters are posted on our school website (address above) and via ParentMail.



### School Values

Governors and teachers met to deliberate the most important aims of our school. We are delighted to share our philosophy with you all. The staff will be using these phrases in school to deliver a consistent message of excellence.

At East Boldon Juniors we want our pupils to **'Be the best that we can be.'**

This can be seen through four simple rules:

- **Be ready to learn**
- **Be prepared to be challenged**
- **Be responsible for our actions**
- **Be kind to our school family**

### Homework Books

We usually send out our homework books in the first week of term but we have focused on wellbeing and safety of children. Your child will bring home their new homework books next week with their homework grids, which offer a range of activities and encourage collaborative family learning. We hope you have great fun sharing your learning experiences with us.



### Staff Team

I would like to welcome new staff members to our team. Mrs Elliott has returned to our school in Y4. She worked here temporarily in 2019 but has jumped at the chance to join us and cover maternity leave. She will teach the class throughout the academic year to offer the class consistency. In Year 6, Miss

Woodrow is covering Mr Wilson's paternity leave. Miss Woodrow is an experienced Y6 teacher, who is loving her new role here in East Boldon.

Many of you will remember that Mrs Seebacher joined us here last September on secondment. Last term, governors appointed her permanently in the role. I am sure you all agree with me that this is a great addition to the team.

We are working hard to make the steps that the school needs to achieve its goals. We are delighted to have a vibrant, motivated team here in East Boldon.

### A few adaptations this term...

Dinner time has been quite different this term. We have capacity for 120 children in the school hall at any time eating their lunch. We are currently allowing 60 at a time in the hall and staggering our lunch times with cleaning in between each sitting. We have instructed the children to sit on alternating seats to give them a balance between social interaction and social distancing.

We continue to have our British Values and Celebration Assemblies in school but they now happen via video link in the classrooms.



### **Let's Celebrate!**

#### **Writers of the week**

Year 3 – Jazmina N, Isaac H, Isla D and Robin D

Year 4 – Cole P, Maya P, Joe H and Elliott R

Year 5 – Thomas G, Oliver J, Eryn H  
and Jude W

Year 6 – Joe C, George B and Amberley H

#### **Stars of the week**

Year 3 – Leo H, Lewis H, Joel B and Harry G

Year 4 – Holly I, Zak N, Callum H and Ethan M

Year 5 – Sofia K, Tom G, Amelia R and  
William H

Year 6 – Mina H, Casey T and Rose R

#### **Head Teacher's Awards**

Finn (Y3) and Scarlett (Y6) both showed great bravery in school recently. we are very proud of them both. Well done.

#### **ParentPay and ParentMail**

Everybody should have been assigned a ParentPay and ParentMail account. If you require additional accounts for either of these please contact the school office.

ParentMail



#### **Term dates for your diary**

You probably won't be surprised to see that this section is significantly shorter than our normal list of events. However, that does not mean that we are not enriching the children's learning.

Please keep an eye on this section, as we regularly add visits/visitors and events to the calendar.

Autumn term:

8<sup>th</sup> September – 23<sup>rd</sup> October

3<sup>rd</sup> November – 17<sup>th</sup> December

19 Oct: Flu nasal spray vaccination

Half term 26<sup>th</sup> Oct – 30<sup>th</sup> Oct

Teacher training INSET day: 2<sup>nd</sup> November

16 Nov: Anti Bullying Week

26 Nov: Rearranged Y6 Leavers' Party

Teacher training INSET day: 18<sup>th</sup> December

#### **Child Safety Reminders:**

##### **Bike Storage**

The school bicycle storage is now open again. Pupils can leave their bicycles there at their own risk. Can we ask that children dismount from their bikes when they enter the premises as the area near the bike store is used by vehicles. Thank you

##### **Parking**

Please take care when parking cars to pick up or drop children off at school. Children's safety is paramount. The Police visit all schools regularly to check that children are safe when arriving at, or leaving, school.

