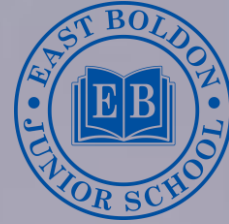




## EAST BOLDON JUNIOR SCHOOL

‘Be the best that we can be’

### Newsletter 6 - December 2023



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#### The Inside Scoop

In the last newsletter, I shared with you all some useful websites that offer families advice on how to keep your **children safe online** at home and on mobile devices. Thank you for the feedback on this – I’m glad it was helpful. In school, we have **sophisticated protection** to stop any inappropriate content from our devices and monitor the use of the laptops, Chromebooks and iPads. Any inappropriate usage is flagged and Mrs Seebacher and myself are contacted if the alert is deemed concerning. We take ‘Filtering and Monitoring’ seriously to keep the pupils **safe** online.



#### Author Visit

Yesterday, we were all visited by Marie Basting, author of My Family and Other Romans. She took the children on a journey through her creative writing processes. It was a great experience for all of the children.



#### Y5 Gurdwara visit

What a great experience to visit the Gurdwara in the west end of Newcastle. We had such a great time learning first-hand how Sikhs come together to share their beliefs and values. The lentil dahl curry, rice and chapatis were delicious!



#### Y3 Library Visit

Every year group has an upcoming visit booked at our local library. Year 3 had lots of fun listening to stories and each child has borrowed a book and taken it home.



#### Enrichment Focus

We allowed the children to choose between playing on the untouched snow on the school field this afternoon or stay in the warmth with a movie. Either way, the last lesson today was a lot of fun!

#### Y6 Fire Safety Workshop

The children had an interactive afternoon learning all about how to stay safe in different situations. The pupils experienced making a 999 call for help, learning where to stand on a metro platform, using strategies to help us with anxiety, learning about what to do in a rip tide and looking at how to safely cross a road. There are some great images on Y6 Class Dojo.



#### Governors' Corner ✓

Governors met with staff this week to discuss the curriculum, review action plans and targets for the year ahead. This governing body love to know what you all think and we are planning some ‘Family Drop In’ events for governors to meet with you all in the new year.



### Writers of the week

Year 3 – Isaac, Bella, Daniel & George

Year 4 – Matilda, Ella, Max & Millie

Year 5 – Will & Oscar

Year 6 – Lucia, Oscar-Luke, Lucille & Luke

### Stars of the week

Year 3 – Emily, Lucas, Poppy & Bella

Year 4 – Reign, Natalie, India & Stuart

Year 5 – Abbie & Jude

Year 6 – Cole, Molly, Isaac & Sophia

### Head Teacher Awards

Natalie, Ana (Y4), Ava and Ella (Y6) have all impressed Mr Shenton recently by following our school values. Well done!

### Term dates for your diary

Please keep an eye on this section, as we regularly add events to the calendar (**new dates in bold**).



Autumn term:

5<sup>th</sup> September – 27<sup>th</sup> October

6<sup>th</sup> November – 21<sup>st</sup> December

4 Dec: PTA Christmas Fair @ Infants

11 Dec: Y6 Winter Warmer activity

12 Dec: Y6 Victoria Tunnel visit

13 Dec: Christmas Jumper Day

13 Dec: Christmas Dinner

14-15 Dec: Y4 Residential

18 Dec: Y5 Winter Warmer activity

19 Dec: Y3 Winter Warmer activity

21 Dec: Carol Service at St George's (2pm)

22 Dec: Staff INSET day

Christmas Break 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec - 7<sup>th</sup> Jan

8 Jan: New term starts

### **Child Safety Reminders:**

#### Parking

South Tyneside Council have installed cameras on North Lane. Please do not park on the School Keep Clear road markings or beside our school gate. Keep our school a safe place. Thank you



#### Dogs



Unfortunately, as much as we love our four-legged friends, we do not allow dogs on site (apart from guide dogs).