



EASTWAY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2024



What a great start back to this half term! So much to look forward to in this busy half term and the lead up to Christmas. Please check the upcoming dates and know what is going on in school. We really look forward to seeing you in school and attending many of the upcoming events in school. Thank you so much for your support with the new focus on Home Learning, our children are loving their Eastway Encyclopaedia and building up a book of all the knowledge they have gathered in their class. Please make sure you talk about the knowledge and learning with them at home as we know this is the best way for them to know and remember more. This will also prepare you with the key facts you will need to smash the upcoming Family Quiz!

Working with Families

We are proud of how we work with our families and always look at ways of improving this. Our Parent Class Reps met before the half term holidays and the notes of this meeting and further information will be sent out to you all this week, as well as the upcoming dates and focus for each meeting. Staff are on gates every morning and we make sure that we are available to meet and greet and discuss any issues. We love being able to help and making you feel welcome. Mrs Harrison SENCO and Mrs Dennett Family Support are always on hand to answer questions and signpost you to any further support that you may need. We also have a vacancy for a Parent Governor so if you would like to be involved or would you like more information, pop in and speak to us.

Wrap-around care

This is a reminder that all children attending Early Risers toast club and Swashbucklers after school club must be booked on via ParentPay in advance unless you have an agreement with the School office. We have to inform our school kitchen staff on how many children to cater for/dietary requirements and ensure correct staff to child ratios are met at all times. If your child attends after school club regularly on certain days and you do not wish for them to attend, please let school know so your child is not picked up for club that day. Remember also that if you are late picking your child up from school and we have to put them into after school club, you will be charged. After school club closes at 6pm and staff are only employed until then, if you are late collecting we need to pay the staff so you will be charged for this.



Poppy Appeal

The **Poppy Appeal** is the Royal British Legion's biggest fundraising campaign held every year in November, during the period of Remembrance. We have been selling Poppy merchandise in school last week and held a Remembrance Assembly today and honoured the 2 minute silence. Thank you again for your support with this.

Family, Individual & Sibling Photos

A reminder that the school photographer was in on Friday 8th November. Proofs for these will be sent out and remember to get your orders in for Christmas!

Clubs

All Clubs will start week commencing 11th November and will run up to and including week commencing Monday 9th December. All clubs will start at 3.15pm and finish at 4.15pm. Please collect your child promptly at 4.15pm from the gate shown below. All clubs must be booked via ParentPay. Places are bookable on a first come, first served basis. Once a club is full, you will no longer be able to book a place (although the club name will still appear on ParentPay). The total cost is £5.00 per child, per club.

KS1		KS2			
Monday	Thursday	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Thursday
Cross Country	Street Dance	Cross Country	Multi Sports	Table Tennis	Tuition
Family Hub	Family Hub	Gate C	Gate C	Gate C	Gate C

Children in Need

Children In Need is coming up on **Friday 15th November**. Children across the UK are facing greater challenges than ever, with mental health conditions such as anxiety and depression rising, high levels of poverty leading to inequality and lack of opportunity. Many children are simply carrying a load that's too heavy to manage alone, so this year, we are asking you to help by wearing something spotty to school and donating 50p to this worthy cause. **We will have a cake sale after school on the KS1 playground selling spotty cakes and treats for as little as 10p and a Christmas jumper swap shop. Please pass in any donations of cakes or jumpers to the Family Centre. We will run another cake and jumper sale on 22nd November.**



Rock Kidz



On Wednesday 20th November we will welcome back Rock Kidz to Eastway. Everyone will dress to impress and get ready for a full day of rocking out and learning songs that promote acceptance, love and kindness. A great way to celebrate and promote anti-bullying week and our Eastway values. After school the RockKidz will be selling merchandise on the KS2 playground so pop in or get an autograph.

Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 29th November, all children are welcome to come in to school wearing their own clothes in an exchange for a bottle. This can be a bottle of anything you wish and will go towards our Christmas fair tombola.

Starting School in September 2025

If your child is in Nursery or due to start full time school in September 2025, please make sure you have completed the application by 15th January 2025. You can complete online using this link: https://emsonline.wirral.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en We have two more Reception open days coming up on Thursday 14th November at 9:15am and Tuesday 19th November at 3:30pm book a slot via our school office.

Cold weather

Now that the colder weather is starting to creep in, please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing to school. If you are struggling for a coat, please call into the Family Hub. We have a small selection of winter coats available.

Family Hub

We now have a regular Stay & Play Session running every Friday morning 9:30am-10:30am, this is for children aged 0-5 Years. Jen from the ADHD Foundation will run the group and has available 3x 1:1 sessions afterwards where you can get any SEN advice. These are bookable via Eastway Family Hub. Everyone is welcome so please do come along! We also have regular drop-in sessions from Citizens Advice Bureau and the Department of Working Pensions. These services are there for you to get free confidential advice and are available to everyone in the community. Family Hubs have teamed up with Solihull approach and now provide a brilliant platform for training. There are wide variety of different online courses available to suit everyone, complete at your own pleasure and it is completely free! Pick up a leaflet from the Family Hub to get yourself signed up.

Christmas Fair

We are excited to be holding our annual Christmas Fair on Friday 6th December. We are looking for donations for raffle prizes, if you are able to help please do speak to Mrs West in our school office. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Term Dates 2025-2026

Parents/Carers will have received the 2025-2026 Term Dates through My Child At School (MCAS) App. These are also available to view on our school website.

Upcoming Events & dates for your diary 2024- 2025		
AUTUMN TERM 2 2024	Friday 15th November	Children in Need Day Cake Sale & Christmas Jumper Sale
	Wednesday 20 th November	Rock Kidz Day- all classes, dress as a Rock Star!
	Friday 22 nd November	Cake Sale & Christmas Jumper Sale
	Friday 29 th November	Non Uniform Day- Bring a Bottle
	Friday 6 th December	Christmas Fair
	Friday 6 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Whole School Elf Run
	Tuesday 10 th December	Moreton Santa Sleigh 6pm
	Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas Dinner
	Thursday 12 th December	Early Years Stay and Play
	Monday 16 th December	Reception, Y1 and Y2 Christmas Production 2.30pm
	Tuesday 17 th December	Reception, Y1 and Y2 Christmas Production 9.15am Key Stage Two Festive Showcase 2.30pm
	Thursday 19 th December	Class Christmas Parties
	Friday 20 th December	LAST DAY OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30PM
	Monday 23 rd December- 6 th January 2024	Christmas Holidays
SPRING TERM 1 2025	Monday 6 th January 2025	School Closed- INSET Day
	Tuesday 7 th January	Children return to school
	Monday 20th January	Year 6 Family Quiz
	Tuesday 21st January	Year 5 Family Quiz
	Monday 27th January	Year 4 Family Quiz
	Monday 3rd February	Year 3 Family Quiz
	Tuesday 4th February	Year 2 Family Quiz
	Monday 10th February	Year 1 Family Quiz
	Friday 14 th February	Valentine's Day cake Sale & World Book Day Costume Sale
	Friday 14 th February	LAST DAY OF TERM
	Monday 17 th February- Friday 21 st February	February Half Term
	Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day

	Friday 21 st March	Comic Relief
	Thursday 3 rd April	Church Service- Y3 and Y4
	Friday 4 th April	LAST DAY OF TERM-SCHOOL CLOSES AT 1:30PM
SPRING TERM 2	Monday 7 th April-Monday 21 st April	Easter Holidays
	Monday 21 st April	School Closed
	Tuesday 22 nd April	Children Return to School
	Thursday 1 st May	Polling Station-School Closed to EYFS Children
	Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday-School Closed
SUMMER TERM 1 2025	Tuesday 13 th May-Friday 16 th May	Year 6 End of Key Stage Two SATs
	Friday 23 rd May	Sports Day
	Friday 23 rd May	LAST DAY OF TERM
	Monday 26 th May- Friday 30 th May	Spring Holidays
	Monday 2 nd June	Children Return to School
	Monday 2 nd June-Friday 6 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Table Check Tests
SUMMER TERM 2 2025	Monday 9 th June-Friday 13 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Tests
	Thursday 26 th June	School Photos-Classes
	Friday 4 th July	Non-Uniform Day- <i>Bring a Bottle</i>
	Friday 11 th July	Summer Fair
	Wednesday 16 th July	Year 6 Leaver Assembly
	Wednesday 16 th July	End of Year Disco & Year 6 Prom
	Tuesday 22 nd July	School Closes for Summer Holidays at 1:30pm

Please keep these dates for the year and we will update on our Monthly Newsletter so that you have events and diary dates well in advance. If you are unsure of any dates, they are all available on the calendar section of our school website. We also post regular updates on Twitter and Facebook so please make sure you follow us for more and ensure we have your correct email and mobile number to get all communication from school. Scan the QR codes to view all our online content.



Eastway Website



School Facebook



School Twitter/ X

