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Dear Eastway families,





The children have settled back in after the half term break and have been working hard. Thank you to the reception parents for attending Family Works. We enjoyed nine weeks working together to help our children thrive. We even had a new arrival to join us during the course- another Family Works baby!



Here's what's been going on in the rest of the school this week. Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Benson

Explorers	 <p>Explorers have been finding their rhythm with the wooden claves while singing our favourite nursery rhymes.</p>
Nursery	 <p>We have continued to talk about growing this week and came back to huge seedlings which we planted before the half term holiday. How big is your sunflower now?</p>
Reception	<p>This week Reception have enjoyed reading Supertato, written by Sue Hendra. We have designed traps, created our own vegetable super heroes and searched for clues to solve the mystery of the missing Gingerbread men. We suspect the Evil pea has something to do with it...</p> 
Lunar	 <p>Lunar have started phonics for summer term two. They are beginning to recognise the first initial sound 'm' and have been practicing their letter formation.</p>

Year 1	 <p>This week Year One started their DT unit, we are super excited to be making fruit salads! This week we tried strawberries, blueberries, pineapple and other fruits!</p>
Year 2	 <p>In science we started our new unit all about plants. We looked at what seeds and bulbs looked like and compared them. We also found out what plants need to grow healthily.</p>
Apollo	<p>This week Apollo has been exploring materials and their properties. We have also been finding out about people who help us in our school and the wider community.</p>
Year 3	<p>A brilliant start to the term in Year 3! Our learning has taken us deep into the heart of the rainforest and across the globe to explore some of the world's most fascinating volcanoes. We've investigated the impact of palm oil production on endangered species like orangutans and discovered how and why volcanoes erupt. The children have shown fantastic curiosity and empathy throughout.</p> <p>In maths, we've jumped into our new topic of time and are quickly becoming confident time-tellers! Meanwhile, the classroom has been buzzing with excitement as we rehearse for our upcoming production—we can't wait to take the stage!</p> <p>Well done, Year 3—keep up the great work!</p>
Year 4	 <p>We have kick-started Summer 2 with a lovely week together in year 4! We have been making lots of predictions about our new learning this half term and have enjoyed some cool science experiments. We have been listening to some songs, analysing lyrics and making some fabulous predictions about our new text in English. We have also been investigating the different states of water and observing the processes. We found these processes very cool!</p>
Discovery	<p>This week in Discovery, we located Zambia in Geography and explored its human and physical features. In science, we learned what plants need to grow, and in DT we investigated how wheel mechanisms work. We've also been singing a British folk song in music, finding a third in maths, and exploring non-chronological reports in English.</p>
Year 5	 <p>Year 5 have started their new book 'How to Train your Dragon' in English. They have been ordering instructions and creating dragons, adding description to their writing using adjectives. They have also created some amazing dragon eye art using oil pastels, pencils and metallic pens.</p>

Year 6	Year 6 have loved showcasing all of the writing they have enjoyed producing at Eastway this week. They have been redrafting, editing and perfecting their final pieces- ready for publishing. We've had spooky stories, persuasive speeches and sensational newspaper reports. They're so excited to bring them home in July in their published book of writing!
Enterprise	This week, Enterprise have started learning about Jacques Cousteau, who explored the oceans in his boat, Calypso. We listened and enjoyed a song about the boat, by John Denver. We also read poetry about the sea and produced artwork using metaphors that compared the sea with a dog.

General reminders

- If you have any type of concern regarding your child, please always use the class emails for first line of communication.
- KS1 playground- We request on health and safety grounds that no children use the playground equipment after school.

Golden pupils

Due to sports day, there was no golden pupil awards assembly in the last week of term. Today's winners will feature on next week's newsletter.

The class with the best attendance in the last week of term was...

Year 2 with 99.3%

