East Allington Primary School NEWSLETTER

Active - Bold - Caring



Friday 19th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of our 'full' second week back, I have been reflecting on how much has already been achieved in such a short space of time. It has certainly been busy, but it has also been wonderful to see so much learning

Beech	96%
Hazel	97%
Willow	91%
National expectation	96%

Attendance to date

taking place, both in classrooms and outdoors. The children have really thrown themselves back into school life with enthusiasm, and it has been a joy to see their curiosity and energy shine through across so many areas of the curriculum.

Hopefully, you have now received our 'Dates for the Diary' for the year ahead. We know how important it is for families to have notice of key events so you can plan around work, childcare and other commitments. While we have shared as much as possible at this stage, there will always be things that come up throughout the year, and we will make sure the current term's dates are kept fully up to date in the weekly newsletter. This way you'll always have the latest version in one place, should anything be added or changed. As with last year, we will continue to keep you updated about upcoming events through our weekly newsletters, the school website and our Facebook page. You'll also receive updates and reminders via Bromcom.

If you haven't yet joined our Facebook page, we would really encourage you to do so—it's a quick and easy way to see reminders, useful links, and our weekly community news posters, which highlight what is happening in and around our community.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Working together makes such a difference to the experiences we can offer your children, and we are really excited about the year ahead. We wish you a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes,

Liam Fielding **Headteacher**



We educate children so they can lead great lives





Monday 22nd September 2025	Yr6 River Dart Parent Meeting @ 3:30pm
Friday 26th September 2025	European day of languages
Sunday 28th September 2025	East Allington Fun Run
Monday 13th October 2025	Open Parent and Carer Forum 2:30 - 3:15pm
Tuesday 14th October 2025	PTFA AGM at Fortescue @ 8pm
Friday 17th October 2025	Junior Life Skills and swimming gala, Yr6
Thursday 24rd October 2025	Open Classroom @ 2:30pm
Friday 24th October 2025	Last day of term
Monday 3rd November 2025	First day back to school
Tuesday 11th November 2025	Remembrance Assembly
Tuesday 18th/19th/20th November 2025	Parents Evening
Friday 21st November 2025	Children In Need
Monday 8th December 2025	Open Parent and Carer Forum 5:30 - 6:30pm
Wednesday 10th December 2025	Christmas Dinner (whole school)
Friday 12th December 2025	PTFA Christmas Faye @ 2:00pm
Tuesday 16th December 2025	KS1 and KS2 Panto trips
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Reception and Nursery Nativity in the Church (PM)
Thursday 18th December 2025	Candlelit Service in the Church
Thursday 18th December 2025	Open Classroom @ 2:30pm
Friday 19th December 2025	Last day of term RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS

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CLASS 'SNAPPY' NEWS

"Ugg, Ugg, is this the Stone age?"

Saplings

Some new toys for the children have arrived in Nursery this week. They have enjoyed using our new cooker to make tea and cakes for everyone.

The Children have been busy making and decorating their Photo frames for their evolving home corner, learning a new song and trying out new moves in our dance session.

Please remember our door is always open if you need to chat to us regarding your child.

Beech

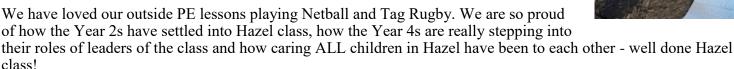
This week the children of Beech Class have been learning about different feelings and recognising who they can go to if they are feeling scared or unhappy. The class have enjoyed getting messy with the sand-tray gloop and many children have been choosing to paint. In music we have learning how to play a percussion instrument for four beats changing the dynamics.

In maths, the Y1 children have been practicing one more whilst the reception children have been matching and sorting.

See Class Dojo for the sounds covered this week.

<u>Hazel</u>

Hazel had an exciting week, including a visitor on Tuesday - Alex Mack from Resource Futures. The children helped Alex carry out a second waste audit. In history, Hazel class have started to look at The Stone Age. They looked at images of artefacts to determine whether they were from the Stone Age or the Iron Age. In science, the children have looked at nutrition and healthy eating and Year 2s are looking at parts of a plant. They have re-written a version of Gregory Cool in writing and in maths they have learnt to partition numbers and make numbers on a place value chart using manipulatives.





Willow

This week in Willow, we have continued our work exploring the features of explanation texts through the book 'Everyday Journey of Ordinary Things'. Our focus has included identifying expanded noun phrases, adverbials of time and prepositional phrases – we can't wait to get started on writing our own explanations next week! In maths, we have continued our work on Place Value and developed our knowledge of Power of 10.

In Art, we created three-step paintings, carefully exploring outline, shadow and shade to bring depth to our work and in French, we have been presenting ourselves and even recorded our introductions and turned them into QR codes – très bien!



in Other News

Forest School Update

Forest School continues to build on the skills and discoveries from last week.

- Beech Class have moved on from tool safety to learning about different types of saw and their uses. It's been brilliant to see their growing confidence as they explore how tools can help us shape and work with natural materials.
- Hazel Class built on their fire-lighting experiences by exploring how prehistoric people may have used natural materials to make cordage. The children were fascinated by how resourceful people had to be, and enjoyed having a go at making their own.

Willow Class took their brainstorming ideas and began bringing them to life. Projects are already underway — from a dugout shelter and a pottery kiln to a castle and even a paracord hammock! Their creativity and teamwork are shining through as their plans become reality.

Each week the children are taking their learning further, showing resilience, independence and a real excitement for outdoor learning. We can't wait to see how these projects develop!













ECO News!



The Eco Warriors proudly led an assembly with Alex Mack from

Resource Futures for the whole school, sharing the progress they have made and the positive impact their work has had on reducing waste and

improving recycling here at EA Primary. They spoke with real confidence about the importance of looking after our environment and were able to demonstrate the difference their efforts have already made in school.

A very special mention goes to **Penelope and BB**, who showed great independence and care in their roles as Eco Warriors. They worked meticulously to prepare for Alex's visit, making sure they were ready to showcase all that has been achieved so far. Their dedication is a fantastic example of the leadership and responsibility our pupils can show.

The whole Eco Warrior team did a superb job in not only leading the assembly but also in inspiring the rest of the school to continue building on this important work. Well done to all of our Eco Warriors - we are very proud of you!





European Day of Languages



Just a reminder that on Friday 26th September we will be taking part in European Day of Languages.

This special day is celebrated each year to promote language learning and cultural diversity, and it is a fantastic opportunity for everyone to explore new languages, appreciate different cultures, and celebrate the many ways we communicate across Europe.

Dress-up for the day

We would love children to come into school dressed in the colours of a European flag of their choice. Options include red, white and blue for France, yellow and red for Spain or green, red and white for Italy. Children may even like to make a badge to wear showing their chosen country.

Learn a greeting

It would be lovely to hear as many "good mornings" and "hellos" in different languages around the school. Please help your child to also learn how to say "hello" in their chosen country's language, or maybe even communicate a short phrase or two.

We can't wait to hear all the different greetings from across Europe and will share these in Class on the day.

Competition time

Prizes are bought, wrapped and ready to be distributed as we are also sending home a special challenge. Alongside your child's mission to learn how to say "hello" in as many European languages as they can, we are challenging them to create a bright and colourful poster to celebrate the languages of Europe! Some ideas are:

The word for "hello" in different languages

A sketch of the flags of the countries they have chosen

Fun or interesting facts about those countries

Please encourage your child to be creative and use bold designs to help us celebrate Europe's amazing diversity - there will be a prize for the best poster in each class!

French Boulangerie

This will be open for breaktime snacks and our playground will be transformed into a French Boulangerie. Children can bring in a donation and buy a tasty treat – croissants, pain au chocolate, brioche and other goodies will be on sale! But there's a twist... to make a purchase, they will need to order in French!

Please do help take the opportunity to get involved at home too so we can celebrate languages, culture and creativity together!

Bonne chance! / ¡Buena suerte! / Viel Glück! / Good luck!

Mrs Howells



East Allington Primary School SEND Signpost



Sensing to Learn; Learning to Make Sense

DISCOVER THE FIDGET **PROJECT**

A warm welcome for all parents, carers, and anyone supporting children with SEND/NDV♥

With Lynne Tarrab-Snooks, exploring SPD and how they affect children's behaviour.

Why do some children struggle with noise, food, or busy spaces? The answer often lies in Sensory Processing Differences (SPD). Join us to learn what SPD are, how they connect to behaviour, and why understanding them can make family life feel easier.



What are Sensory Processing Differences (SPD)?



How sensory differences show up in daily life



Tips and ideas for supporting children at home & school.



Wednesday 24th September 2025

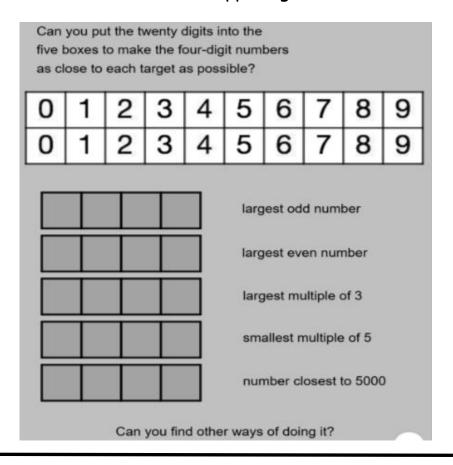


Blackawton Primary School **Totnes TQ9 7BE**



Maths Problem of the Week - Family fun!

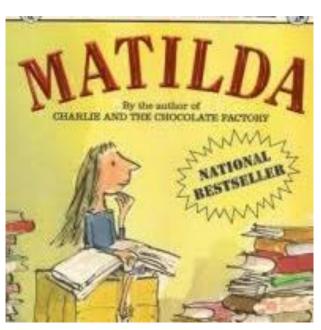
Have a go at this mathematical thinking to get your maths conversations happening at home.



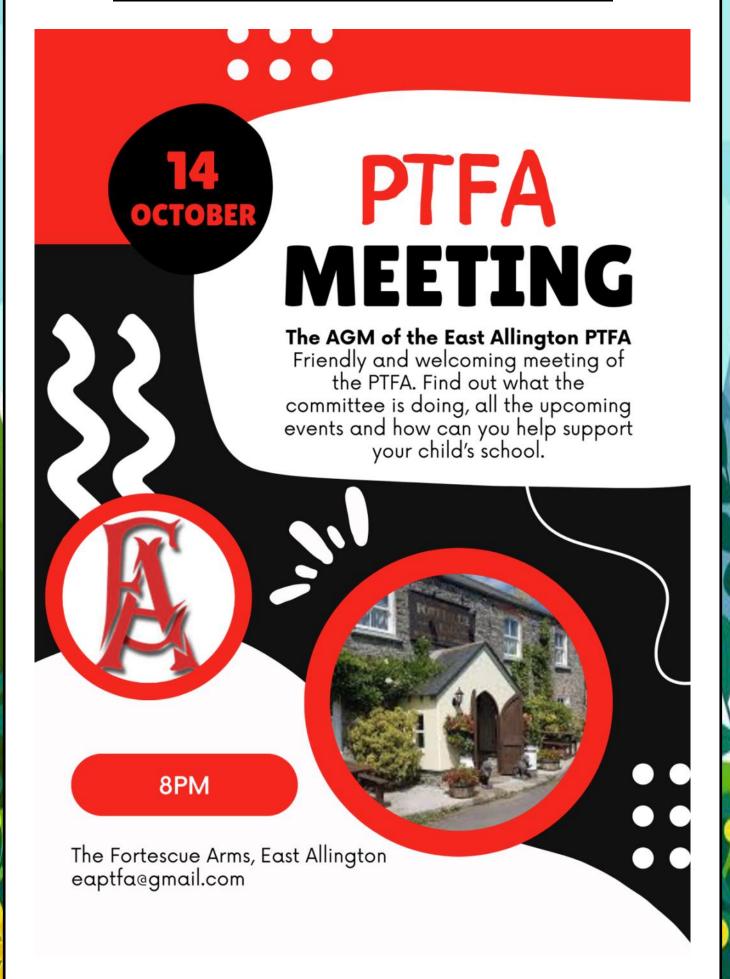
Recommended Read:

Celebrating the wonderful stories of Roald Dahl is always a pleasure, and even more so during Roald Dahl Week! This week's recommended read invites us to enjoy a little bit of mischief as we follow the brilliant Matilda, a girl with an extraordinary love of books, who uses her cleverness and courage to overcome the odds.

A story that celebrates the power of imagination and the importance of standing up for what is right.



East Allington Primary School PTFA



Shoebox Appeal 2025



A reminder that this year's Shoebox Appeal is coming up just before half-term, this year channelled through or 2ee, (Christian Response to Eastern Europe), operating from Exmouth.

These shoeboxes will be heading to **Moldova** and **Ukraine**. Moldova is one of the poorest countries in Europe, and Ukraine is still in the grips of war. We know every single box will be gratefully received this Christmas!

Please bring any completed shoeboxes, (or contributions to put into boxes), to school by Monday 20th October (later than this will be too late!) So ideally, this date!!

Suggestions for contributions to children's shoeboxes:

Scarf	Gloves	Socks / tights
Soap	Toothpaste	Toothbrush
Shampoo	Deodorant	T-shirt
Colouring book	Paint Box	Pencils
Wax crayons	Colouring pencils	Exercise books
Tennis ball	Jigsaw Puzzles	Torch
Chocolates	Sweets	Pyjamas
Tights	Dolls	Beads
Craft Items	Glow Sticks	
Lip Gloss	Purse	Jewellery
Lego Bricks	Toy Cars	Wallet
Airfix Type Models	Magnifying Glass	
	Soap Shampoo Colouring book Wax crayons Tennis ball Chocolates Tights Craft Items Lip Gloss Lego Bricks	Soap Toothpaste Shampoo Deodorant Colouring book Paint Box Wax crayons Colouring pencils Tennis ball Jigsaw Puzzles Chocolates Sweets Tights Dolls Craft Items Glow Sticks Lip Gloss Purse Lego Bricks Toy Cars

<u>Please label each completed box with the approximate age and indicate BOY or GIRL.</u> You are welcome to include photos of your family and a covering letter, but **no address** please. There is **NO COST** for transport or need for a paid barcode!

cr2ee has been sending shoeboxes to Moldova for over 20 years, and those organising the boxes know the poorest families well. Since the outbreak of war, they have also been delivering boxes to children in Ukraine, where normal life for children has been totally destroyed, and so these boxes will make Christmas very special for them.

Bless you and Thank you!



Day 28th September



FOOD • GAMES • BOUNCY CASTLE

REGISTRATION 9:30AM - RACE STARTS 10:30AM

EARLY BY FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBERR TO PAY ONLY £5, USUAL GOST £6

EMAIL PARTICIPANT NAME, YEAR GROUP (IF U16) AND GENDER TO: EAPTFA@GMAIL.COM

AND TRANSFER ENTRY FEE TO EA PTFA ACCOUNT:

S/C 309472 ACC NO 24962268

On behalf of these lovely parents Naomi and Scott whose daughter Nell used to go East Allington Primary School. Nell is now at KCC in year 8.

Nells teenage brother Sam suffered a spinal stroke a year ago and the family are raising funds through a coast walk to try and bring him home from hospital and get him the rehabilitation he urgently requires.

Betty will be walking with family and would like to invite anyone to join in a part of the walk for Sam or to help raise money by donating.

The walk is over 4 days from Thursday 25th September 2025, you may like to join in over the weekend, if you can manage the school fun run too!

The link to their page is below.

Our appeal is fundraising for Aspire

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Scott and Naomi are 'Helping Sam'





Our appeal is raising money for Aspire

Welcome to The Helping Sam Appeal; organised by Scott and Naomi Jones, and managed by





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Every two hours someone in the UK is paralysed by a spinal cord injury. It can happen to anyone at any time and no one is prepared for how it will change their life. Aspire is a national charity that provides practical help, supporting spinal cord injured people from injury to





Dartmouth Young Farmers

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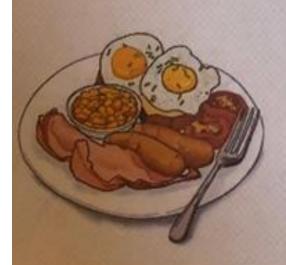
Charity Big Breakfast

Saturday 20th September

9-11am

Moreleigh Village Hall

Raising funds for Devon YFC





Support East Allington Village

Auction of Promises

A wide range of promises, products and services. Buy tickets from the Fortescue Arms pub or text 07768 428849 to book a place.

TICKETS £8 - Over 18's only

(to cover entry & baked potato supper)

Licensed Bar

Saturday OCTOBER

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At East Allington Village Hall: 6.30pm - late

All proceeds to be shared between village groups and charities:

Primary School PTFA, St Andrew's Church, Football Club, Recreation Ground,

Youth Club, Knit and Natter, Church Strimmers, etc.

The Children's Bookshow

showcases the **best children's books** with authors and illustrators live on stage. **Come and see**

Author, Alom Shaha, & illustrator Sarthak Sinha



Join us for a fun morning exploring Art,
Science and Literature through the book,
How to Find A Rainbow! Author and teacher
Alom Shaha will bring the science of light
to life on stage with some stunning
demonstrations, and he'll read stories too.
Indian illustrator, Sarthak Sinha, will draw for
us live, talk about his process and materials,
and reveal the important role of light when
creating picture books. Don't miss it!

Venue: Northcott Theatre, Exeter, Devon, EX4 4QB

Date: Tuesday 11 November

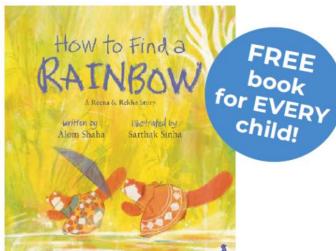
Time: 10.30am

Duration: approx. 1 hour

Age: Years 1, 2 and 3

Tickets: £7 (includes free

book for every child)



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SUPPORTING CHILDREN

(1.5 hour session)

Wednesday 8th October 2025

at 6:30pm - 8:00pm

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Starting Tuesday 16th September



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Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over	
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode	
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.	
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics	
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared	
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started	
Scabies	they've had their first treatment	
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics	
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics	



but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever	
Head lice	Tonsillitis	
Threadworms	Slapped cheek	





Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://grco.de/minfec.