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Panathlon Challenge

On the 27th of February, 10 lucky children from Years 4,5,and 6 were chosen to represent Eastbury in the Borough Panathlon Challenge at Becontree Leisure Centre.

They completed a variety of different challenges and came a very respectable 7th place! Well done guys, Keep that medal safe!



Eastbury is rated GOOD by Ofsted!

We wrote to you last week about the school's Ofsted inspection report. We are delighted that Ofsted has judged Eastbury as 'good' in all areas.

The report is extremely positive about many aspects of the school saying that "staff give pupils a strong start to their education in all areas of their learning" and "pupils work shows strong progress, including mathematics, reading and writing". Staff work hard to promote pupils' personal development and welfare and, in the words of Ofsted, "parents appreciate how staff care for their children and help them learn." The report also provides recommendations on how we can make the school even better so that every child can reach their full potential.

The report also praises the children, saying "pupils are courteous, kind and considerate" and that "pupils develop a sense of pride and belonging."

At Eastbury, we really value the partnership and support that parents have provided in making this school successful. There are opportunities for staff and parents to discuss any concerns or issues, and "parents appreciate that staff are visible and approachable".

We look forward to continuing to work closely with parents and carers as we move forward. We would also like to thank everyone who provided Ofsted with their views during the inspection.

The full report is available for you to read on the school's website.

In every newsletter, we share the children's rights set out in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. This issue we have articles 7 to 9.

Article 7

You have the right to a name, and this should be officially recognized by the government. You have the right to a nationality (to belong to a country).

Article 8

You have the right to an identity – an official record of who you are. No one should take this away from you.

Article 9

You have the right to live with your parent(s), unless it is bad for you. You have the right to live with a family who cares for you.



Term Dates:

March

Wednesday 13th: Parents Evening 3:30pm-5:00pm

Thursday 14th: Parents Evening 3:30pm-7:00pm

Friday 15th March: Red Nose Day (Full uniform to be worn)

Monday 18th: Recitation Week

April

Friday 5th April: End of term

Tuesday 23rd: Return back to school

Internet Safety

Keeping children safe on the Internet is a challenge for parents. We would encourage you to be aware of your children's online activity and to talk to your children about how to stay safe online.

We teach children about how to stay safe on the Internet at school and it is very helpful for you to reinforce those messages at home.

We recommend that you ensure that your child knows:

- not to input mobile numbers or any other personal information into online games;
- the importance of saying "no" to invitations to play games from strangers;
- not to click on unidentified links;
- how to 'block' unknown numbers and friend requests;
- if something makes them feel uncomfortable to tell a trusted adult; and
- to tell their parents immediately if they are asked to keep something secret when online.

For advice on setting safety and privacy settings for social media apps go to parentzone.org.uk

Reading Gladiators

Congratulations once again to our year 4 Reading Gladiators who have won the runners-up prize for the February London competition. They put together a collection of their favourite Brian Moses poems, giving reasons for their recommendations. As a result, they have won a set of poetry books for the school. Well done!

Holidays during term time

The school's Local Governing Board has approved a new Attendance Policy. A copy of this policy is on the school website.

The policy states that holidays will not be authorised during term time and may incur a fixed penalty notice.

At Eastbury, we are committed to ensuring that all pupils receive the highest quality of education and are able to achieve their full potential. Excellent attendance and punctuality are key to achieving this.

World Book Day

On Thursday, we celebrated World Book Day. Staff and children dressed

up as their favourite book characters and children enjoyed a range of activities to develop their love of reading.

Reading every day for pleasure is vital. Children who do this not only perform better in reading tests than those who don't, but also develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures. In short, reading more boosts your child's intelligence!

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings are next Wednesday and Thursday (13th and 14th March). These are a great opportunity to meet your class teacher and discuss your child's progress, how they can improve and any concerns or issues you may have.

If you haven't signed up already, please come to the hall before or after school on Monday 11th March, or telephone the school office.

Red Nose day

Children may wear a red nose or paint one on but must come to school in full uniform. £1 donation is welcomed.