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## Eastbury Primary News

### Year 6 Careers Week

We are planning a Careers Week for our year 6 children in the week commencing 24th June. The aim of the week is to help the children understand how their work at school can lead to a fulfilling future career – and to inspire them as a result!

We already have some exciting speakers arranged for the week, including Eastbury's parent governor, Zaheer Ahmad MBE.

We would very much like other parents to come in that week to talk to the year 6 children about their careers. Please speak to Mrs Shepherd or Mr Wilson if you would be interested.



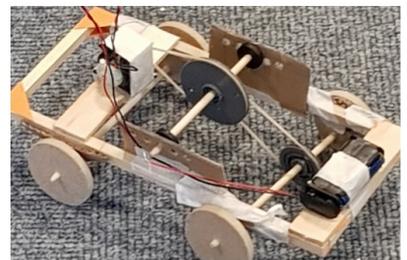
## Science Week

Last week, as part of Science Week, year 2 and year 6 children worked with Ford engineers to create models of cars. They used shoe boxes and other materials such as wood, pulleys, motors and batteries. The model cars were completed and they were tested to show movement going forwards, backwards and up a ramp. The children and staff involved enjoyed it very much and learnt a huge amount of mechanical engineering.

The Ford engineers were very impressed with the school. After the event, they wrote to us saying "it was really an exciting day for us and an amazing experience to work with the brilliant students, teachers and staff of Eastbury Primary school. It is definitely a very well-structured, disciplined school with brilliant students and welcoming / friendly staff and teachers."

Meanwhile, across the rest of the school, children worked on investigating topics around the British Science Week theme of journeys. Their work demonstrated great development of experimental and creative thinking, as well as making conclusions on the results the children gathered.

Please do not forget to enter the Science competition online - details for this can be found on the British Science Week website. The deadline for entries is the 5th April. Good luck!



## Late Lunch Boxes

If your child is having packed lunch, please could you ensure that they bring it with them in the morning. On the rare occasions when your child forgets their lunch box, it needs to be delivered to the school office before 11.00am. Please do not deliver it after that time because it may not be possible to get it to your child before lunchtime and you will be charged for a school dinner.



## Science museum

This week year 5 visited the Science museum. The children had a great time and discovered all sorts of interesting science facts. Thank you to the parents who supported the year 5 team on the visit.



## We are Writers

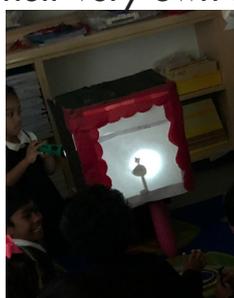
Eastbury's fabulous book of poetry - 'We are Writers' - is now available to order via Parentpay. This beautiful book includes a wonderful selection of poems by children from nursery to year 6. It's a fantastic memento of your child's time at school. Please place your order by Friday 5th April (the last day of term). There is only one print run, so don't miss out!

*Poetry*



## Puppets in class 1D

Children in year 1 were thrilled as they created their very own shadow puppet display. "This is the best lesson ever" was the children's verdict!



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 10 to 12.

Article 10

If you live in a different country than your parent(s) do, you have the right to be together in the same place.

Article 11

You have the right to be protected from kidnapping.

Article 12

You have the right to give your opinion, and for adults to listen and take it seriously.



Term Dates:

April

Thursday 4th: Year 2 sats briefing at 2:30pm

Friday 5th: End of term at normal time

Tuesday 23rd: Return back to school

May

Friday 24th: End of term

June

Monday 3rd: Return back to school

Wednesday 5th: Eid holiday

Year 6 visit the British Museum

Last week, year 6 visited the British Museum. Year six loved using the interactive iPads to look for artefacts from the Shang Dynasty. They were particularly impressed with the design of the Shang artefacts and the intricate detail. They also bumped into a few mummies along the way!

The children were incredibly well behaved and were a credit to the school. Thank you to the parent helpers who supported our year 6 team and made this visit possible.

Recitation Week

Throughout this week, children have been giving amazing poetry recital performances, both whole class and individual. The children delighted the audience with their confident public-speaking skills and their fantastic memorisation of a wide range of poems from AA Milne to Shakespeare. A big thank you to Ms Hodges for her organisation of this great event.

We would like to thank all the parents and families who turned up in such great numbers to support their children. If you missed it this year, don't worry – we're planning to make it an annual event!

Votes for Schools

Every week, children from year 1 to year 6 have the opportunity to discuss and vote on a topical issue during 'Votes for Schools'. This helps to improve their speaking and debating skills, as well as providing them with improved general knowledge.

A wide range of topics are covered, such as 'Should the government be able to take away citizenship?', 'Do anonymous apps make bullying worse?' and 'Are there enough role models on the TV?'. Where a topic is difficult for younger children to understand an alternative one is provided for younger children. Parents are informed weekly (as part of the homework) about the 'Votes for Schools' topic and we would encourage you to discuss this with your child and help develop their speaking skills and knowledge of current affairs.

In future issues of the newsletter, we will be letting you know the results of the school votes – and how these compare to the votes of children nationally.

SATs Information Sessions

The year 6 SATs briefing for parents was held this Tuesday, while the year 2 briefing will be held on Thursday 4th April at 2.30pm. These briefings are a very important opportunity for you

to find out about what to expect in the tests and how you can help your child prepare for them. If you missed the year 6 briefing, please feel free to talk to one of your class teachers about what was covered.

Parents' Evenings

We would like to thank all parents who attended last week's Parents' Evenings. Close partnership between parents and class teachers can really help your child's progress and well-being. If you could not make an appointment on one of the Parents' Evenings, please speak to your class teacher to arrange a meeting.

More success for our Reading Gladiators!

Our year 2 and year 4 reading gladiators have won the monthly London competition again! This time our year 2s submitted a voice recording of them reading the book of the month aloud, while our year 4s submitted wordless cartoons comparing the two settings within their text.

The other schools must be very jealous of our reading gladiators - we are just so talented!