

## Key Dates

### October

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Break up for half term

### November

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> - Return to school

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> - Nurse Drop in Session 9am – 10am

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> - Individual School Photographs

### December

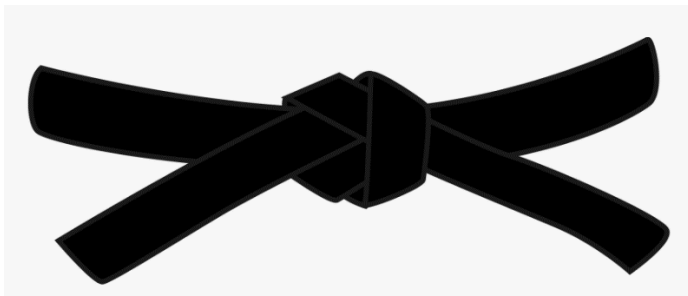
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> - Nurse Drop in Session 9am - 10am

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> - Break up for Christmas



## Congratulations

Congratulations to Woody our year 6 pupil who has been awarded a Black Belt in Karate! Everyone at Eastbury is so proud of this fantastic achievement which demonstrates our school values of Aiming High, Enjoyment and Resilience. Well done Woody!



### Outdoor Learning

I hope you have enjoyed reading our Outdoor Learning Newsletter [Outdoor-learning-Aut-1.pdf](#). The children have been so excited to learn outside and have shared with me that "it was the best day ever". They have been Hunters and Gatherers, Artists, Mathematicians, Scientists and Actors!



### Ice Cream Sales

We had our final ice cream sale of the year last month. This fundraising has helped us to buy 24 Kindle Fires for our reception classes. A huge thank you to everyone who helped us. By working with you we are able to buy a range of resources for our children. I will keep you up to date with our next fundraising project which I believe Father Christmas will be supporting us with.



### Black History Month

The children will be exploring a range of key figures in Black History. They will also be creating Art Work, some of which will be displayed at Barking Town Hall, which we are very excited about. We will be publishing a special newsletter to share all the fantastic work the children have done.



### Boosters

Teachers have shared with me that the children who are attending boosters are making good progress. If your child has been invited to a booster class please make sure that they attend every week, it really will help them. **There will not be any booster classes next week. They will start again week commencing Monday 8th November.**

### Tapestry and Class Dojo

Both Tapestry and class dojo are a great way for parents to ask teachers questions or ask for support if needed. This has been a really positive development and has strengthened the communication between the school and parents. If you have not signed up with the class teacher, please speak to them or contact the school office.

### Parent Consultation Evenings

Unfortunately, due to the continuing rise in infections across the country parent consultations will be taking place via the telephone on this occasion. We are a very large school which potentially would have had over 2000 pupils and parents on the site at any one time and my aim is to keep everyone as safe as possible and children in school learning. You will also be sent a mini report of your child's progress so far this year.

### School Library

We are currently developing the library and have ordered a range of exciting books for the children to enjoy. We would also be very grateful if you could donate any books that your children no longer need. We will add these to both the library and Reading Hut which are re-opening. The children are very excited about reading in this unique outdoor space which was funded by our fund raising events.



### Wooden Tree Beds

Unfortunately, the wooden boards which surround the trees on the playground are being used for seating. This has resulted in repairs being carried out during summer costing over £1000. As they are not strong enough to be used as seats they have been broken again since September resulting in further repair costs of £700. Please do not sit on them.

### Nursery Places

We have still a few nursery places available in our amazing nursery. Please contact the school office on 0208 477 9910 for further information or send an email to [office@eps.barking-dagenham.sch.uk](mailto:office@eps.barking-dagenham.sch.uk)



### Application for Secondary School places 2022

**The application process for secondary school places closes on 31st October 2021.** Please click this [link](#) for further information from the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham website. You can also contact the admissions team on 0208 215 3004

### Application Reception places September 2022

The application process for reception places will open on 1st November. Please click this [link](#) for further information.

### Half Term

Have a lovely half term break with your family!

