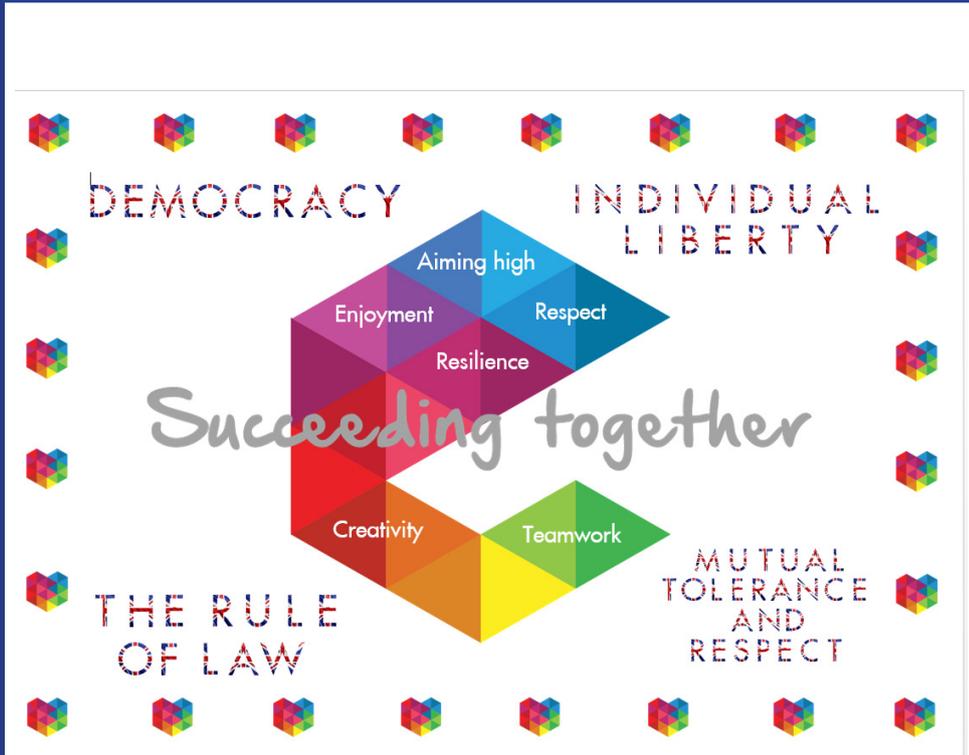


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## SUCCESSING TOGETHER

### Join us at Eastbury Primary!

Eastbury is a great place for children to go to school – a place where they feel safe and happy. We are proud of the progress children make in their learning and the school's results are now above or at the national average from Early Years to year 6.

Following our most successful results ever last year, 21 children in years 1-6 have joined the school in the last two weeks. There are still a few vacancies in each year group so, if you have family or friends looking for a great school, ask them to speak to Mrs Gale in the school office.

### EASTBURY IS GOING CASHLESS!



You need to pay for all trips, school lunches through our Cash less Parent Pay System on your phone or device.

### Macmillan

A huge thank you for your donations and support both during our coffee morning and the after school cake sale. I am delighted to share with you that we raised over £250 for Macmilan.



### Parent volunteering at Eastbury

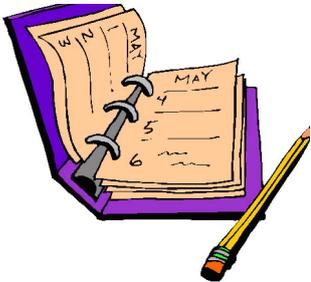
We would like to thank those parents who came to the volunteer coffee morning on 2nd October. Our parent volunteers make a huge contribution to children's learning, supporting our teachers and providing great opportunities for children to read with an adult or develop their maths skills.

Volunteering doesn't need to be a huge commitment – just a few hours of your time a week can really help a child. If you missed the coffee morning but would be interested, please speak to Miss Hodges or Mrs Gale.

To view a full colour version of this newsletter, please go to our website.



Umar Volunteering in the Barking Foodbank.



## Term Dates:

### October

Friday 12th - Vaccination day

Friday 12th 9am Friends of Eastbury Annual General meeting - school cafe

Monday 22 - Friday 26th: October Half Term

Friday 19th and Monday 29th: Additional school closures

Tuesday 30th October: Return to school

### November

Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th: Parents consultation evening

Friday 16th- Children in Need (non uniform day)

Friday 30th- Eastbury Christmas Fair

### December

Thursday 20th: Last day finishing at 3:15pm

## Star volunteer: Umar in 6B

During the summer holidays, Umar gave up his time to participate in the Barking Foodbank Volunteering Scheme. Umar contributed 24 hours of volunteering spread over two weeks. During this period, he joined pupils from other primary and secondary schools in the borough to help in the foodbank and clothing bank projects. At the Foodbank, they helped sort and date donated food items and tidied the clothes shelves.

It wasn't all work and no play. On Fridays, he visited the Vauxhall Animal Farm, had a late lunch at Nandos Barking and even spent a warm sunny afternoon drawing and painting in the arboretum by the library.

## Star performer: Macee in 6D

We are delighted that Macee from 6D has been selected to take part in the professional performance of Annie at the Kenneth More Theatre in Ilford from 15th to 17th November.

If you would like to see Macee perform, tickets can be purchased at [www.kmtheatre.co.uk](http://www.kmtheatre.co.uk) or by telephoning 020 8553 4466.

## Clubs

As a result of reduced funding we now have fewer support staff which has resulted in a reduction in the number of free clubs that we can offer. We have been exploring ways of providing your children with a range of exciting after school clubs and will be sending you further details in the next few weeks. Unfortunately this will mean that from 30th October all clubs will incur a small charge per session.

### The power of talk

Improving children's speaking skills is a major priority for the school this year. Parents can have a major impact on this at home: the more a parent talks to their child the faster the child's development. This is important throughout their childhood – even when they are still babies.

You can make a real difference by reading to your child daily and by discussing the weekly 'Votes for Schools' topic which will be part of their homework.

### Dropping your child at school

When dropping your child at school in the morning, please be considerate and help keep our children safe. This means not parking in front of the school gates or on the zig-zag lines, and not letting your children out of the car in the road. Thank you!

## Holiday fines

Please could you ensure that holidays are arranged outside of school term time. All holiday absence during term time will be marked as unauthorised and may result in a penalty notice being issued.

### Medical appointments

Unfortunately, there has been an increase in children missing valuable learning time due to attending medical appointments. Please try to book all medical and dental appointments out of school hours. If this is unavoidable please ensure you make the school office aware.

### Flu Vaccination

Have you returned your form so that your child can be protected against the flu virus? This is a simple spray into the nose and does not involve any needles. The deadline has been extended until Wednesday 10th October and immunisations will take place on Friday 12th October. Please contact the school office if you need any further information.