

EASTLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2026

Welcome back to a new school year!

It has been wonderful to see everyone return to school and we hope that all of our families had a restful and enjoyable summer break. Thank you for sending children into school looking so smart and ready to learn in their uniforms.

The new school year has started extremely positively, and it has been a pleasure to walk around the school and see calm, purposeful classrooms, children working hard and so many smiling faces.

As always, school life is already proving to be very busy, with lots of exciting events and opportunities planned for the term ahead. Please take a few moments to check the term dates and key dates calendar to make sure you don't miss any important information about what is coming up.

Term Dates remaining:

- Monday 21st September-** Rec and Yr 6 Healthy Futures Heights and Weights
- Tuesday 22nd September-** Individual Photographs
- Monday 5th October -** History Week
- Monday 12th October -** Great Athletes Event
- Wednesday 14th October -** EYFS Teddy Bears' Picnic
- Monday 19th October -** Geography Week
- Thursday 22nd October -** PSA Spooky Disco
- Friday 23rd October –** School closes for half term

- Monday 2nd November -** Teacher Training Day
- Tuesday 3rd November -** School reopens for children



To all our children who celebrate their birthdays in **September**.

- Rec-Max
- Yr 1-Ellie
- Yr 2-
- Yr 3-Roman
- Yr4-Alfie,Konstantinos,Melina,Monty, Summer
- Yr 5- Charlie
- Yr 6- Felix

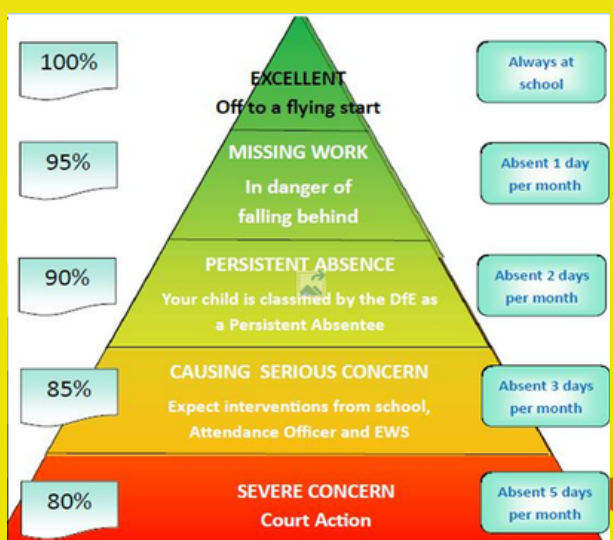
ATTENDANCE

September attendance to date: 97.62%

R– 99.6%	Y1– 98.9%
Y2– 96.3%	Y3– 97.3%
Y4– 98.6%	Y5– 97.6%
	Y6– 95.8%

Please help us to raise this % even further by ensuring your child’s attendance is good or better.

Please do not book holidays in term time.



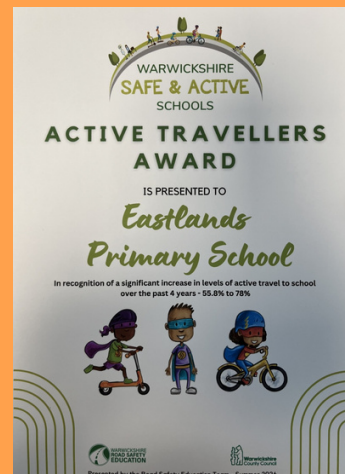
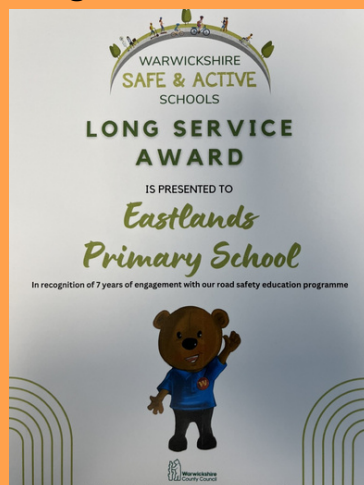
Safe and Active Travel Platinum Award and more

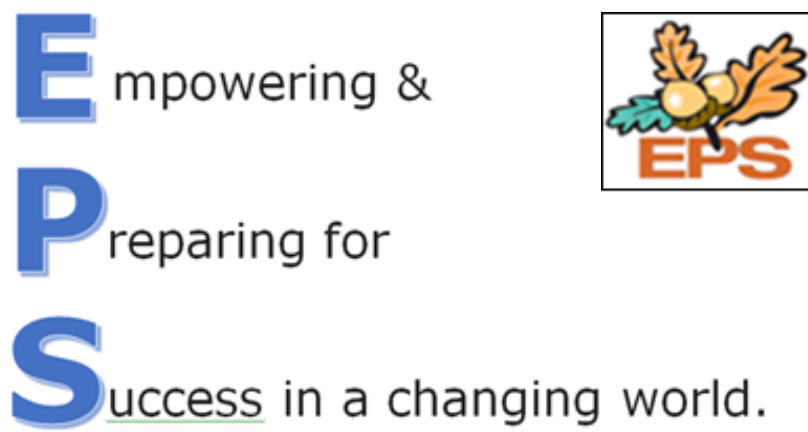


We are delighted to share the exciting news that Eastlands Primary School has once again been awarded the Platinum Safe and Active Travel Award, the highest accolade available through Warwickshire County Council's Safe and Active Schools programme. The initiative, which promotes children's ability to travel safely and actively in their communities, has been embedded in school life for many years and is supported through an extensive programme of learning led by Mrs Vikmanis through our PSHE and PE curriculum. We are incredibly proud to have achieved this prestigious award for the second consecutive year, recognising the school's continued commitment to developing children's road safety awareness, independence and healthy lifestyles.

Mrs Vikmanis and I attended a special awards ceremony at Shire Hall in Warwick today to receive the Platinum Award, but were delighted to discover that Eastlands had also received three additional awards. These recognised our seven years of participation in the Road Safety Education Programme, our outstanding increase in active travel rates over the past four years, with the proportion of pupils travelling actively increasing from 55.8% to 78%, and achieving the second-highest points total for activities completed within the Safe and Active Schools programme. These achievements are a testament to the fantastic partnership between our children, parents and staff. Thank you for your continued support in helping more children travel safely and actively each day. These awards belong to our whole school community, and we congratulate everyone who has played a part in this success.

A huge thank you must go to Mrs Vikmanis for her continued dedication, enthusiasm and leadership of this highly valuable programme. Through her work, safe and active travel is embedded across the school curriculum, helping our children develop the knowledge, skills and confidence to travel safely and make healthy choices. Her commitment over many years has played a significant role in achieving these outstanding results and ensuring that Eastlands continues to be recognised as a leading school in Warwickshire for road safety and active travel. These awards are a testament to Mrs Vikmanis's hard work and passion, but also to her ability to inspire our children and families to embrace active travel. We are incredibly grateful for everything she does to champion this important initiative and are delighted that her efforts have once again contributed to bringing such prestigious recognition to our school. Well done, Mrs Vikmanis, and thank you for your unwavering commitment.





Here at Eastlands we share together a school vision and agreed set of aims for our children. These are:

Aims

- * To celebrate perseverance, resilience and risk taking, ensuring children welcome challenge and are not frightened to make mistakes.
- * To encourage children to take ownership of and responsibility for their learning, so they have the confidence and curiosity to ask questions, solve problems and respond to quality feedback.
- * To praise hard work, determination and having a positive attitude.
- * To develop our school so that it has consistency at its heart, that it is a creative and exciting place for our children and for the community, that we have high expectations of each other and that we hold each other to account.
- * To educate in a holistic way, focusing on the social, moral, creative and artistic as well as academic.
- * To give opportunities to develop the knowledge and skills our children will need for later in life.
- * To build a school community with positive relationships based upon clear values, respect and support.
- * To be ambitious for our children and for our school.



Safeguarding is Everybody's Responsibility

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School Uniform

We feel that it is important for our pupils to wear school colours as this promotes a positive image of our school and reinforces collective responsibility.

Our uniform with our logo can be purchased from Webb Ellis shop in Rugby or online at www.myclothing.com

Long hair must be tied up at all times.

Please ensure that each item of clothing and belongings are marked with your child's name. Thank you.

School Uniform List



Winter:

Sweatshirt or cardigan – with the Eastlands Primary School logo on

Grey long trousers, Grey skirt or pinafore dress

White polo shirt (plain or with the school logo) or shirt/blouse

Black sensible school shoes

White/grey socks, White/ grey tights

School book bag/backpack (plain or with school logo)

Summer:

As above and

Grey shorts, maroon and white gingham dress

Footwear:

Children must wear sensible black shoes or

Sandals that cover the toes



PE Kit

In addition, for P.E. your child will need the following items which can be stored in a named bag.

Reception and Key Stage 1 White T shirt, Black shorts, Black plimsolls.

Key Stage 2 White T shirt, Black shorts, Black plimsolls or trainers with non-marking soles

Jewellery of any kind should **not** be worn. The only exception to this would be a watch which must be removed for PE. If ears are pierced then studs only should be worn as any other type of earring poses a serious health and safety issue.



We all have the right to feel safe all the time.

Eastlands Primary School Protective Behaviours Curriculum