

# **NEWSLETTER**



### New newsletter format

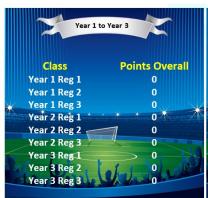
Starting after half term, our newsletter will be shared using Microsoft Sway—this is a new approach so that the information that we share each week is easier to interact with. Look out for a link being shared on the first Friday of our new term.



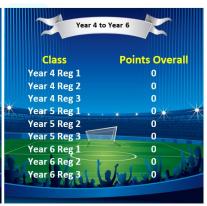
# Attendance leagues

Attendance at East Park is currently lower than our goal of 96% - as our term comes to an end, our whole school attendance is 91.6%. To encourage positive attendance across school, we are introducing East Park attendance leagues during the next half term. Each week, any class who has an attendance of 96% or above, will earn 1 point in our league and any class who achieves 100% will earn 3 points. At the end of next half term, the class who has the highest attendance within each of our 3 leagues (Year 1 to 3, Early Years and Year 4 to 6) will earn a class reward that they will get to choose.

On the newsletter each week, we will share weekly attendance for each class and will update the attendance leagues—we will also share this each week in our Praise assembly.







## 100% attendance incentive

Next term, we are also introducing an additional reward—any child who attends school for all 24 days of next half term will be entered in to a raffle to win a £10 Amazon voucher. There will be a raffle for children in Nursery and Reception (our EYFS league), for children in Years 1, 2 and 3 and for children in Years 4, 5 and 6. Only children with 100% across next half term will be included in the raffle. Winners will be announced on the final day of next term.



# East Park celebrates World Book Day

#### The Masked Reader

Throughout the first week of term, all children will have the opportunity to join in with our 'The Masked Reader' quiz. Each day, 2 or 3 masked reader videos will be shared—children have to guess who the East Park member of staff is reading each story.

At the end of the week, children with the highest number of correct answers will be included in a whole school raffle to win a £10 book youcher.



### World Book Day-book themed hats

During half term, we are asking children across school to create a **book themed hat** that celebrates their favourite book. The hat can be as big or as small, as crazy or as simple as the children would like it to be.

Hats can be brought in to school on either Wednesday 1st March or Thursday 2nd March ready for children to wear on **Thursday 2nd March**—the national World Book Day. Hat inspired ideas include:

- a hat inspired by Roald Dahl books
- Winne the Witch's hat
- A hat inspired by Julia Donaldson books

On World Book Day, we will enjoy a 'hat parade' across school where a 'best hat' will be chosen for each year group—winners will receive a book voucher.

#### Extreme reading

The final part of our World Book Day celebrations is the launch of our 'Extreme reading' challenge for over half term—we ask for children to be photographed reading in unusual places. For example:

- at the park
- at the beach
- somehere unusual at home
- whilst on a family walk

Can photographs please be emailed to year group emails by Monday 27th February ready to be shared across the week.

### Return to school

Children return to school on **Tuesday 28th February**. We look forward to seeing lots of Spring homework projects brought in to school to share during this week (please see homework sheets for Years 1—6 for further information).

