



**Empower - Motivate - Aspire - Transform**

20<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

I hope you have all had a lovely week. I am delighted to share some wonderful news from around the school. First, a huge congratulations to our girls' football team for their fantastic achievement in taking part in the County Football Tournament. The girls represented the school with great enthusiasm and teamwork, and we are incredibly proud of both the players and the staff who supported them.

In Reception, we also have some very exciting news. Robins Class has been learning about the life cycle of a duckling and has been fortunate to observe real ducklings hatching in the classroom. This has been a wonderful hands-on learning experience, and all children across the school have already had, or will have next week, the chance to see the ducklings before they are rehomed at a local farm.

As Parents' Evening is taking place next week, I would like to remind everyone to book their appointments if they have not yet done so.

**Please note that no children will be permitted to be collected early from school on the day, even if parents have booked appointments as early as 1:30pm. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause, however, the education of your children is paramount to us, and all pupils are expected to remain in school until the normal end of the school day.**

I would also like to take this opportunity to emphasise the importance of regular times tables practice at home, especially for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Knowing times tables up to  $12 \times 12$  is crucial: if a child does not know their times tables, they will struggle with division; if they struggle with division, they will find fractions difficult; if they find fractions difficult, decimals will become challenging; and if they struggle with decimals, percentages will then be very difficult. Everything in maths is connected, which is why we place strong emphasis on children knowing their  $12 \times$  tables off by heart with quick recall. We recommend practising as often as possible.

**Our Vision**

**Respect**

Yourself, others  
and our  
environment.

**Pride**

In your  
achievements,  
community and  
heritage.

**Wellbeing**

Make healthy  
decisions for  
your mind and  
body.

**Courage**

Be brave and  
learn from your  
mistakes.

**Aspire**

Be passionate  
about your  
future.

**Honesty**

Be truthful and  
accountable to  
yourself and  
others.

Alongside Tackling Tables or maths homework set by class teacher on Purple Mash, times tables can also be practised through online games such as:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/multiplication-and-division> and [https://www.mathplayground.com/index\\_multiplication\\_division.html](https://www.mathplayground.com/index_multiplication_division.html).

Last but not least, I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents and professionals who attended our Careers Week last week. Your talks were incredibly well received by the children, and we are grateful for the time, passion, and insight you shared. Opportunities like this help inspire our young learners to aim high and imagine the possibilities that lie ahead of them. After all, children are our future, and we want to support them to grow into successful, confident, and critical thinkers who are not afraid to dream.

As we approach our final week of this half term, I would like to wish you all a lovely weekend. A reminder that we finish for the Easter Break **next Friday** and we are looking forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Tuesday 14th April**.

Warm regards,

**Ewa Parker**  
Principal

### 🌟 Eastgate Academy Attendance News Bulletin

The image contains three posters with a decorative border of school supplies like a calculator, pencil, scissors, and a pencil case. Each poster has a title at the top and text in the center.

- EASTGATE ANNUAL ATTENDANCE REWARDS**
  - PUPIL SPECIFIC**  
ALL PUPILS ACHIEVING 98 - 100% ATTENDANCE FOR THE ENTIRE ACADEMIC YEAR WILL BE REWARDED WITH A CINEMA VISIT TO SEE A NEWLY RELEASED MOVIE.
  - CLASS SPECIFIC**  
THE CLASS IN 1<sup>ST</sup> POSITION AT THE END OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR WILL RECEIVE AN AFTERNOON OF "GOLDEN TIME" AT THE KINGS LYNN WALKS & WILL RECEIVE AN ICE-CREAM.
- EASTGATE TERMLY ATTENDANCE REWARDS**
  - OPTION 1**  
A CLASS PARTY OR DAYTIME DISCO (WITH NON-UNIFORM)
  - OPTION 2**  
AN AFTERNOON OF ARTS, CRAFTS OR COOKERY
  - OPTION 3**  
A CLASS MOVIE AFTERNOON (WITH NON-UNIFORM) BRING MOVIE SNACKS FROM HOME
- EASTGATE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REWARDS**
  - THE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE MONITORING PERIOD RUNS FROM FRIDAY TO THURSDAY & WINNERS ARE ANNOUNCED DURING FRIDAY ASSEMBLY
  - ANY CLASS ACHIEVING 100% ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK WILL WIN THE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE CUP!
  - IN ADDITION THEY WILL RECEIVE 15 MINUTES OF "GOLDEN TIME" AFTERNOON PLAY.
  - IF NO CLASS ACHIEVES 100%, THE CLASS WITH THE HIGHEST OVERALL WEEKLY ATTENDANCE WILL ACHIEVE THE ATTENDANCE CUP, BUT NO GOLDEN TIME.

**Upcoming Events for the Spring Term - please be advised that dates and events can change**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Information</b>
<b>March</b>		
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 school disco	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 school disco	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Red Nose Day	Non-uniform and donations to charity
24 <sup>th</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	<p><b>Parents Evening</b></p> <p>Face to Face appointments from 1:30pm- 5:00pm</p> <p>Advance notice- all children are dismissed at the end of the day at 3pm as usual.</p> <p>No children will be allowed to be collected earlier, unless for medical or emergency reasons.</p>	
<b>April</b>		
30 <sup>th</sup> March to 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays	Pupils return on 14 <sup>th</sup> April
30 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 trip	Trip to Lynn Museum – email to follow
<b>May</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 4 trip	Trip to Lynn Museum – email to follow
4 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup>	Deaf Awareness week	We're learning sign language throughout the week: Hi! My name is.... ? How are you? Do you need help?
11 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 SATs	100% attendance expected Parents, please look out for further communication from Mrs Parker after Easter Break
15 <sup>th</sup>	Walkathon	Further communication to follow from Friends of Eastgate (if weather is bad, back up date for Walkathon is 22 <sup>nd</sup> May)
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>MAY HALF TERM</b>	Pupils return 1 <sup>st</sup> June
<b>June</b>		
4 <sup>th</sup>	September 2026 an open evening for new pupils starting at Eastgate in September.	
8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>	Phonics screening test for Y1 pupils	
	Assessment week	
17 <sup>th</sup>	Sandringham Trip	Kingfishers, Penguins and Doves; please look out for letter
30 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Transition Day	
<b>July</b>		
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	PleasureWood trip for Y6 pupils	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	School reports sent to parents	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Dress Rehearsal for the leaver's assembly to the rest of school.	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Leaver assembly to parents	

	<p>There will be two sessions for which you may choose to come. Only two entry tickets per family for a session at 9:15am or 2pm in the main school hall.</p> <p>This will be bookable via Pupil Asset just like parents' evening now.</p>
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Majestic Cinema Day for pupils who had 98%- 100% attendance
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fair in the afternoon
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	School finishes at 3pm for Summer Holidays