

# Eastcombe News

## Foreword from the Head

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What a fantastic term we have had with many highlights. The children have worked hard and created many happy memories such as performing their nativity, lighting the Christmas tree, having visitors into school and enjoying different lessons. It has been a long term, with over a third of this academic year completed already! The children have coped well and kept up their enthusiasm for all things Eastcombe. I hope they have a restful two week break and come back in January with renewed vigour and excitement for the busy term ahead.

### Office News

- Y5 & Y6 parents: the next instalment of the Residential payment is due on 31st January 2024. Please check that you have made the November payment.
- This terms average whole school attendance figure is 93.4% down from 95.8% last term. I hope the two week break will help eradicate all the bugs and we have a healthier start to 2024. Thank you for your continued support with raising our attendance figures.

All that is left for me to say is thank you for your continued support, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



## Badgers Breakfast and...



We are excited to announce the wrap around care offer will be starting from January 8th. The club will take place in Badgers Burrow and be staffed by Mrs Fowles and Miss Meanwell. Parents will find the school gates open

for drop off in the mornings and collection in the afternoons. A door bell will be situated on Mr Kings door, for you to alert a staff member that you are there.

Activities available to the children include, but are not limited to; colouring, board and card games, craft activities, puzzles and word searches, construction toys,

## Diary Dates

### January:

Mon 8th—Back to school  
Fri 12th—Owl Class to Young Voices  
Tues 16th—Saxon workshop for Hedgehog class  
Fri 19th—Owl class start a series of weekly gymnastics sessions at TK  
Tues 23rd—YR & Y6 NHS health checks

### February:

Sat 3rd—ESA quiz night TBC  
Fri 9th—Cross country running & End of Term 3  
Mon 19th—Start of Term 4 & Squirrel class start a series of weekly gymnastics sessions at TK  
Tues 20th—Hedgehog class to Skillzone

### March:

Thurs 7th—World Book Day

## After School Club

outdoor play, monitored and limited ipad and screen time, singing and dance.

We are delighted that some families have taken up the offer already and hope that this number grows over time.

If you would like to book your child in for any sessions please complete the booking forms and return to the school office. We accept Government childcare vouchers.



## Community News

### Village News

This term the children have helped design a flag which will fly on the Eastcombe Village Green flagpole. Each child created a piece of artwork which was then taken to the village group. The main features of their designs were then used by a local artist to create two flags. The children and staff voted on their favourite and this will now be the 'official' flag of Eastcombe. There will be a flag raising ceremony for the children and local community in the Spring.

### Governor News

We are always on the look out for new Governors. If you would like to volunteer or know someone who might be interested look out for further details in the new year.

[ESA news](#) please see this weeks ESA newsletter.

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