

ESA Newsletter

December 2023

Who are the ESA and what do they do

The ESA is the Eastcombe School Association, the purpose being to raise funds to enrich the school life of every child attending Eastcombe School.

Every family at Eastcombe primary school forms the ESA and therefore are welcomed to any ESA meeting arranged. As the ESA is a registered charity a committee is formed and this includes Rue Harding-Edgar (Co-Chair), Charlotte King (Co-Chair), Nick Wherett (Treasurer) and Melanie Woolley (Secretary).

Fundraising

Squirrel bake sale- £104.45
Disco- £123
PJ day- £33.65
Christmas lights- £291.40
Wreath making- £50
Rags2Riches- £35
Christmas cards- £28.42
Christmas raffle - Ongoing

Upcoming events

8th March- Ladies night TBC - Hedgehog and Owl bake sale TBC - Quiz night TBC - Wine tasting



Pantomime

The children had a fantastic time at the Pantomime, there was plenty of laughter, smiles, singing and dancing. The ESA funded the coach to the pantomime and the tickets.



A kind donation from a parent meant all the children were given a Christmas treat to enjoy during the interval. The joy on their faces just reinforced the importance of the funds raised by the ESA to provide activities like this for both the children and staff.

Second hand uniform

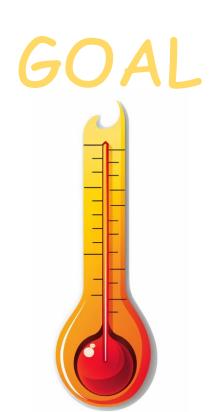
The ESA has a collection of second hand school uniform in a variety of sizes for sale.

They are also happy to accept donations of second hand uniform in a good condition in which they can sell on, to reduce costs for families buying new uniform but also to recycle wherever possible.

Communication

Each class has a ESA communication WhatsApp group. This can be used to notify families of the minutes from previous meetings, upcoming events, requesting volunteers and a place to raise any questions regarding the ESA. The funds that have been raised to date and continue to be raised are invaluable to the children's education and to provide opportunities to enrich their learning. If anyone has any fundraising ideas or can lend a hand at any events please inform the ESA committee.





The active fundraising goals are:

- To purchase books to complete the 100 book scheme
- Future school trips
- New outdoor furniture

Plans are also underway for the biggest ESA fundraiser. The annual Gnome hunt will take place in June 2024.

The more funds we can raise together the greater the opportunities for the children.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Sincerely The ESA

