

# Week 13 — Newsletter 01/12/2017

## Behaviour – Traffic Lights

As an Academy we use a traffic light system to warn children if their behaviour is not of the acceptable standard. The aim is for the children to stay in green. For children to display green behaviour; they would be in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing. The totals below show many children have achieved this each week.

This week **342** out of **346** children have stayed in Green.

**Well Done!**



Pandas	Frogs	Butterflies	Bears	Spiders	Penguins	Ladybirds	Dolphins	Eagles	Sharks	Giraffes	Tigers	Lions
43/43	25/25	25/26	22/22	23/23	23/23	21/21	30/30	29/29	34/34	29/30	20/22	18/18

<b>Frogs</b>
93.2% 0 lates

<b>Butterflies</b>
93.8 % 2 lates

Attendance and Lates  
Whole School:  
**92.8 % 17 Lates**  
Our attendance target for the year is 96.5%  
Year to date is 95.2 %

<b>Dolphins</b>
96.0 % 1 late

<b>Eagles</b>
95.9 % 1 late

<b>Bears</b>
90.0 % 2 lates

<b>Spiders</b>
94.3 % 2 lates

<b>Sharks</b>
96.2 % 1 late

<b>Giraffes</b>
94.7 % 2 lates

<b>Penguins</b>
83.9 % 0 lates

<b>Ladybirds</b>
90.0 % 1 late

<b>Tigers</b>
89.5 % 3 lates

<b>Lions</b>
91.7 % 2 lates



### Clubs 13.11.17 - 14.12.17

#### Monday

Year 2 Football	Mr Kelly
KS1 Art and Craft	Miss Eggleton
KS1 & KS2 Climbing	Mr Rennardson
KS2 Science	Miss Suthers
KS2 Hockey	Miss Jeacock

#### Wednesday

KS1 & KS2 Film	Miss Abbotts
KS1 & KS2 Colouring	Mrs Plummer
KS2 Cricket	Mr Suggitt

#### Thursday

KS1 Lego	Mrs Hewitt
KS2 Change 4 Life	Mrs Hartley
KS2 Badminton	Mrs Amor
KS2 Art	Mr Ullah

### Upcoming Key Dates

Every Mon 8.45am-9.00am	Stay and Read Years 1 to 5
Every Wed 2.30-3.00pm	Parent Drop in with Mrs Finn & Mrs Leslie
Every Fri 8.45am-9.15am	Phonics Friday for F1&F2
Fri 8th December	Open Book Evening - 2.45 in classrooms
Performing Arts performance	11th Eagles and Dolphins 10:30am 18th Sharks and Leopards 10:30am
Thurs 14th December	Christmas Service at the Church Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 15th December	Christmas Dinner Christmas Fayre
Tues 19th December	Christmas Disco

### Stars of the Week!

Pandas AM - Harvey	Spiders - Tyler T	Dolphins - Lola	Giraffes - Amelia S
Pandas PM - Willow	Bears - Emil	Eagles - Elisha	Tigers - Annie
Frogs - Freyja	Ladybirds - Kimberley	Sharks - Gabriel	Lions - Emma R
Butterflies - Isla	Penguins - Emilija		



What another fantastic week in the Panda class. The children have worked really hard with their writing and drawing. They also enjoyed a photo shoot with Mrs Parkinson.

Remember to check out the photographs on our key ring tree., they are fantastic!

F1 - @EPAF1

In all weathers this week, the children have absolutely loved exploring and learning outside! They have been building using the materials in the sculpture shed and even saw a rainbow. They discussed about how it is formed, how we can best see it and why it might go away. In Maths, the children have been exploring one more and one less and solving problems related to doubling and halving. In Literacy, they have been innovating their Stick Man story to write the adventures of Stick Dog and Stick Cat.



F2 - @EPAF2



What a wonderful week in the Spiders class. As Writers, the children have been improving their writing of instructions. In Mathematics, they have been learning how to add and subtract within 20. As Scientists, the children have been observing the weather and how it changes with the seasons.

As Artists, the children have all displayed their wonderful Jackson Pollock inspired art in the school hall.

Y1 - @EPAYear1



This week the Bears have started their new Topic 'Why is the Wii/PlayStation more fun than Grandma and Grandad's old toys?'. The children have used hot seating to come up with questions to ask their grandparents to find out more about old toys. In Writing, they have been getting better at using time connectives and commands to instruct someone to make a Gruffalo crumble. In Maths, they have used objects to help them to subtract numbers between 10-20. The Bears have worked extremely hard, well done!

Y1 - @EPAYear1



This week the children have deepened their knowledge of division and multiplication by answering tricky worded problems.

It has been great to hear children are enjoying practising their times tables at home and this has had a positive impact on their Maths work this week! I would like to thank all parents for their continued support with this. Keep it up Ladybirds!

Y2 - @EPALadybirds



As Writers this week, the Penguins have been finding new ways to improve their own recounts. They have added synonyms, adverbs and even time connectives. It has been great to hear the conversations between the children about things they have learnt so far this year. Also this week, the children have continued their work with division and have been answering challenging reasoning questions to explain their methods.

Y2 - @EPAPenguins



The Dolphins have shown great resilience this week when completing their Maths work on time! They have looked at telling the time on analogue and digital clocks as well as converting seconds, minutes and hours. In Writing, the children have thoroughly enjoyed writing character descriptions in which they have developed their use of expanded nouns and metaphors. During Science, the children have started to look more in depth at forces and the different ways that objects move.

Y3 - @EPADolphins



Wow! What a productive week in the Eagles classroom! They have been extremely busy in all their subjects. This week in Maths, they have been looking at new concepts such as perimeter and looking at how to work out the perimeter from rectilinear shapes. In addition to this, as Scientists the Y3 children have been exploring magnets and as well as this, they have been exploring how the people from the Stone Age survived. As Artists, the Y4 children have been looking at how art has changed over the years and observing the different styles that have been used.

Y3/4 - @EPAEagles



What does he look like? What makes him happy or angry? These are just two of the questions the Sharks have pondered this week as they refine their character descriptions of the Iron Man. They have used expanded noun phrases, relative clauses and identified and used the correct verb inflections. The Ted Hughes story has also been used during their Guided Reading sessions and the children have worked to answer questions in depth, providing reasoning and evidence from the text. In Maths, the children have a clear understanding of how to find the perimeter of a shape as well as work out missing measurements.

Y4/5 - @EPASHarks



The Giraffes have continued their hard work this week and have been super proud to show off their creative art work in our pop up gallery. As Writers, they have created their own characters to develop a fantastic narrative and used grammatical features to make each one unique! As Mathematicians, they have tackled area, perimeter and volume and are still smiling about it! Their favourite lessons this week have been all about the Native Americans and finding out about how important the buffalo was to them whilst also designing their own tips.

Y5 - @EPAGiraffes



In Tigers this week the children have had a super resilient week practising for SATS. They have also started their new Writing cycle and enjoyed deciphering through interesting narratives. As Mathematicians, they have focused on algebra. As Scientists, they have made pressure switches and also tested and evaluated them. A big thank you to everyone who came to view our artwork at our exhibition, we felt very proud of our finished pieces.

Y6 - @EPA\_Tigers

The Lions have worked extremely hard this week, not only completing the normal work for the day but completing numerous tests as well. They have been writing a persuasive text, using high level synonyms and multi-clause sentences to engage the reader and show a high level of understanding of punctuation and sentence structure. In Maths, they have been using algebra to develop formula to solve problems.

Y6 - @EPA\_Lions



**Safeguarding** At Estcourt Primary Academy the welfare of all our pupils is of great importance to us and we hope that parents are confident about their children's health and safety whilst in our Academy. We will always try to share any concerns with parents. However, there are times when we are legally obliged to share our concerns with other agencies without first speaking to parents, or without the consent of parents. The safety and protection of our pupils is our most important concern and we wish to reassure you that any sharing of information is done with the children's best interest at heart. If you have any concerns about the welfare and safety of any children in our Academy, the safeguarding leader and Emotional Well Being Leader is Mrs Finn, in addition, the Child Protection Officer is Mrs Capon. In her absence, you should contact Mrs Hewitt. They can be contacted through the Academy office.

**Art Exhibition**

Thank you to everyone who attended our recent pop up gallery. It was a fantastic opportunity to share all of the creative work that is being produced throughout the academy. We are now displaying some of our creative journeys from the year as part of #Limitless. Take a trip to see it before the 13th of December in the old Argos building in the town centre. We are very proud!