



Thomas Eaton News

Autumn Term Issue 3

27th September 2024

What a wonderful week we have had! I can't quite believe we have now completed week four of the Autumn Term and that October is just around the corner!

The children have been busy continuing their learning this week and I have observed some fabulous listening, exploring, experimenting and questioning in classrooms across the school. Children are supporting one another and are collaboratively working together. There is a real positive buzz around school!

In assembly this week, we discussed good manners and respect. The children were reminded about the importance of showing good manners and being respectful to each other. They were able to give examples of showcasing good manners and have been busy putting these in practice. I have been enjoying rewarding children with Dojos for their efforts.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend and see you on Monday, ready to welcome in October!

Mrs N Webb
Deputy Headteacher



Social Media

As part of our delivery of the computing curriculum, discussion in classes have revealed that some of our pupils are accessing social media platforms which require users to be at least 13 years old. The online world is a minefield for children and the situation is constantly changing as a whole range of unlimited content, both good and bad is a few clicks away. I would ask parents/carers therefore, to please be vigilant and monitor what children are accessing.

A polite reminder of the age restrictions on the following platforms.

Facebook—13 years old
Instagram—13 years old
TikTok- 13 years old
YouTube- 13 years old
Snapchat- 13 years old
X—13 years old
WhatsApp- 16 years old

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Parent Consultations

Our Parents' meetings at this time of the year will continue to be virtual. Virtual meetings enable us to better manage the time available on parents' evening. In order to make these sessions as productive as possible, we are continuing to use a system called School Cloud. Please look out for communication next week providing you with further information.

Thank you.

Thomas Eaton Dojos

Koala Class - 51
Meerkat Class - 95
Panda Class - 243
Tiger Class - 94
Fox Class - 113
Lion Class - 105

Questions of the week

We are aware that sometimes it is tricky for children to talk to parents about their learning from the week or that sometimes you get the answer "nothing" when asking children what they've learned at school.

Therefore, we are going to provide a prompt question for each year group every week, that you can ask your child and get them talking about their amazing learning.

Koala Class: What do we do when the bell rings?

Meerkat Class: What is one of our special drawing club words?

Panda Class: Can you show your adult the signs for Greater Than, Less Than, Equal To?

Tiger Class: What makes us human?

Fox Class: Where did the Shang dynasty rule?

Lion Class: Name the stages and characteristics of an insect's lifecycle.

School Attendance

Please find the class weekly attendance figures below:

Meerkat Class: 91.3%

Panda Class: 91.2%

Tiger Class: 95.6%

Fox Class: 95.9%

Lion Class: 98.5%

Overall weekly attendance for the whole school:

Above and Beyond

Koala Class: Tyler

Meerkat Class: Frankie

Panda Class: Ellie

Tiger Class: Eleanor

Fox Class: Winter

Lion Class: Olivia



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Upcoming dates

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Tuesday 22nd October
Parent Consultations (online)

Thursday 24th October
Parent Consultations (online)

Monday 28th - Friday 1st November
October half term

Monday 4th November
Training Day

Tuesday 5th November
Autumn Term continues

Thursday 7th November
Halloween / Bonfire themed disco

Monday 11th November
Tempest Photographs (individuals)

Thursday 5th December
EYFS & Year 1 Nativity

Wednesday 11th December
Year 2 & 3 Christingle

Thursday 12th December
Christmas Jumper Day
Christmas dinner

Friday 20th December
Celebration Day
Celebration Assembly 2:30pm
Autumn Term ends

Monday 23rd December-Friday 3rd January
Christmas Holidays

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6th January
Training Day

Tuesday 7th January
Spring Term starts

Revised disco date

Due to a clash of dates with parent consultations and the Year 6 open evening at Cromwell, please see the revised date and theme for the following disco.

Thursday 7th November - Halloween/Bonfire themed

Not, Thursday 24th October as previously advertised

Thank you.

Thomas Eaton PTFA

We are extremely fortunate to have an active group of parents who work hard to provide events for our children and families to raise funds which are then spent on activities or items within school to enhance and enrich the pupils education. Events such as the school discos, film nights and Christmas/Summer Fayres would not happen if it were not for our PTFA.

However, once again, the PTFA members have recently dwindled due to their children transitioning to secondary school and all but one of our current members are all KS2 parents meaning that their children will also be flying the TEPA nest over the next year or so. Therefore, we need your help.

If you feel that you are able to support the PTFA in any way then that would be very much appreciated. You can either become a member or you can become a 'Helping Hand' whereby you offer your support during events but are not perhaps able to commit to attending meetings. Without new recruitment of members or helpers, then the PTFA is seriously at risk of folding and the above events will cease.

It would be lovely to welcome some new members on board so if you feel you could offer some support, please do let either myself or existing members of the PTFA know.

Thank you in advance.

