

East Stour Primary School Newsletter

Friday 26 April 2024



Message from Mrs Fletcher

Welcome back to East Stour at the beginning of the summer term! Today, we would like to highlight and celebrate the fantastic parental engagement we are lucky to have in our school community.

Our recent parent/carer survey responses showed that an overwhelming number of respondents believe their child does well here at East Stour, that their child is happy and safe and that they would recommend this school. We are so proud of all our children and families here and value all feedback- the positive really does make our staff smile!

Why is Parental Engagement Important?

- Research shows that when parents are involved, students achieve higher grades, attend school more regularly, and are more motivated to learn.
- Regular interaction between parents and teachers helps ensure that both parties are aware of the students' strengths, challenges, and progress, leading to better support for the child's educational needs.
- Children whose parents are engaged often display better social skills and adapt more easily to school environments.
- Parental involvement helps cultivate a positive attitude towards education within children, setting a foundation for lifelong learning.
- When parents take an active role, children learn the importance of education and personal responsibility.

At East Stour Primary School, we are committed to fostering a supportive and collaborative environment where parental engagement is not just encouraged but celebrated. We believe that a strong partnership between home and school is key to providing the best educational experience for our pupils. Thank you all for your continued support and engagement.

Zana Fletcher
Head of School

Best Class Attendance YTD

Oboes - 96.1 %



Ukuleles - 96 %



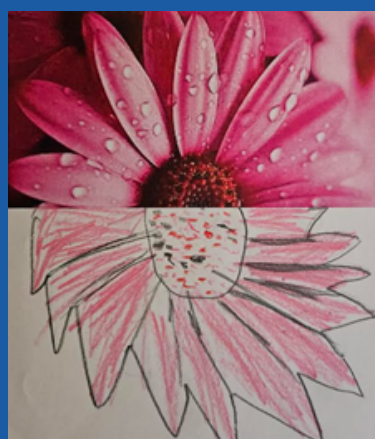
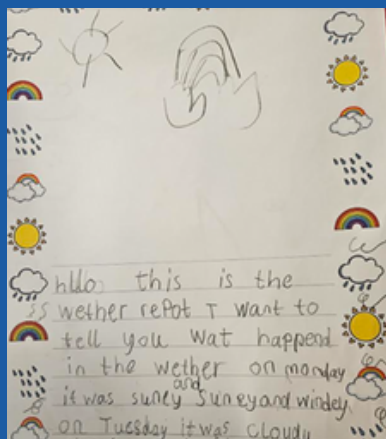
The class with the best overall attendance at the end of term will receive a reward!



Saxophones and Oboes

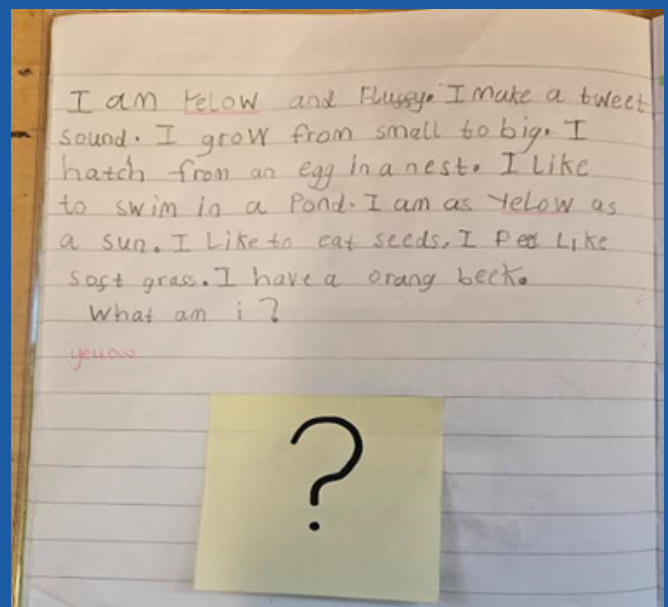
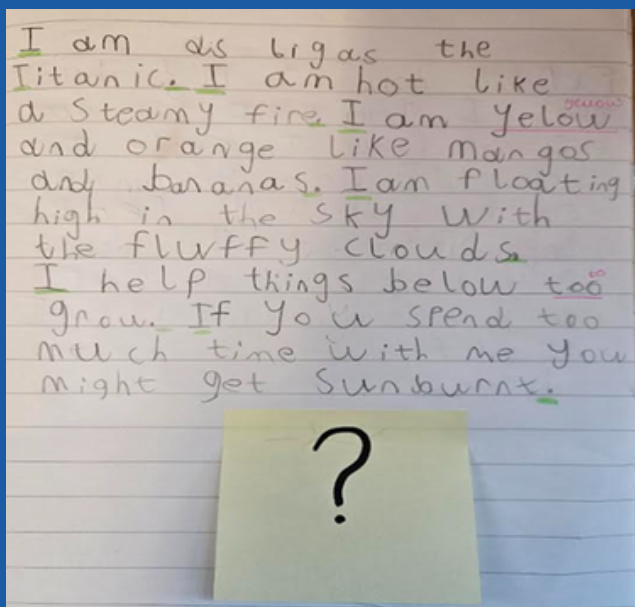
Year 1 have had a great start to term 5!

In our Rainbow challenge time, the children have been thinking about spring and how that might look. We had our very own weather reporters in class writing weather reports and recording the weather. We thought about symmetry in art - drawing the other half of spring pictures and painted some beautiful blossom tree paintings.



Literacy

In Literacy we have been using lots of adjectives in our work and have introduced similes in our writing. In week 1, the children had to write clues about something linked to spring. We are continuing to work on our handwriting, capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.



Saxophones and Oboes

Maths

In Maths we have explored mass, volume and capacity and the children loved using the water to make different amounts such as full, half full and nearly full. The children also used their estimating skills to guess how many cubes would fill different containers. This week, we have been counting in 2s and 10s, using Numicon, money and even wellies to support our counting.



P.E.

This term we are working on our ball skills and preparing for sports day by completing different athletic activities. We have been using different sized balls to control, catch and throw. We have been using the field to compete in teams practicing relay races, balancing games and ladder runs.





Football Tournament



On Wednesday 27th March some children from years 3/4 went to an EKC football tournament. Everybody played really well and there was some great teamwork and communication! Several children wanted a turn in goal and there were some fantastic saves!

Great work everyone!



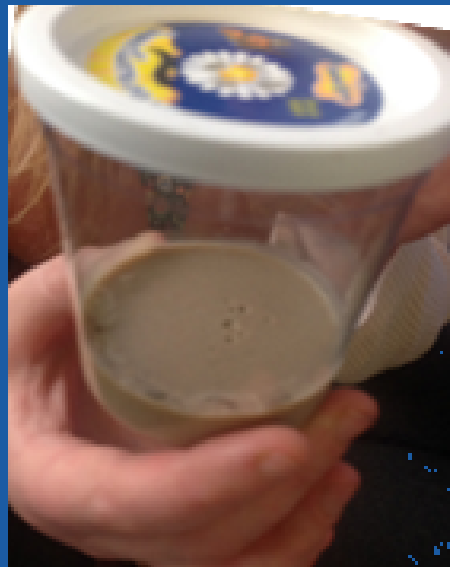


Butterflies



Last term the nursery children were able to watch the miracle of metamorphosis up close.

The children found the whole process fascinating, as the caterpillars changed from tiny caterpillars to beautiful butterflies.





Carnival Festival Menu

16TH
MAY 2024

Ham French Bread Pizza

Or

Cheese & Tomato French Bread Pizza

Chips

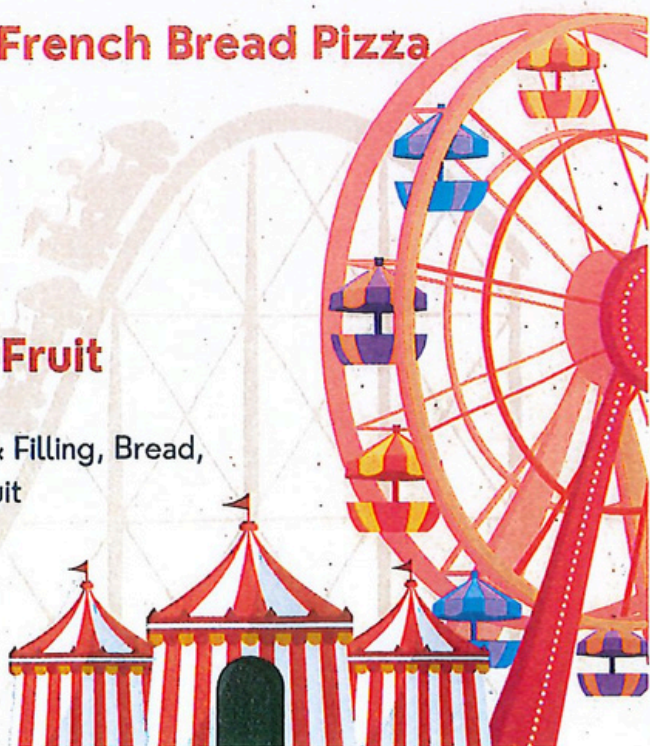
Baked Beans

Coleslaw

Mini Doughnuts & Fruit

Also available Jacket Potato & Filling, Bread,
Salad Bar, Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

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New Menu

Please see below the new Spring/Summer menu

Kent TKAT Spring / summer Menu 2024		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE 15/04/2024 06/05/2024 03/06/2024 24/06/2024 15/07/2024 09/09/2024 30/09/2024 21/10/2024	Option One	Cheese & Ham Pizza with New Potatoes 🍷	Penne Bolognese 🌱	Sausages, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	YAMAS! Greek Chicken Pita with Rice, & Tzatziki	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with New Potatoes 🍷	Vegan Penne Bolognese 🌱	Vegan Cumberland Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy 🌱	Cheese & Spinach Whirl with Rice, & Tzatziki	BBQ Quorn with Chips 🌱
	Vegetables	Peas and Coleslaw	Carrots & Sweetcorn	Green Beans & Carrots	Vegetable Medley	Peas & Baked Beans
	Dessert	Apple Crumble with Ice Cream (cream for serverys) 🍷	Vanilla Shortbread with Mandarins 🌱	NEW Berry Mousse	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Fresh Fruit Platter 🌱
WEEK TWO 22/04/2024 13/05/2024 10/06/2024 01/07/2024 22/07/2024 16/09/2024 07/10/2024	Option One	THE PASTA KITCHEN Pasta Kitchen Cheesy Ham Pasta or Tomato Pasta with Toppings 🍷	Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce 🌱	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy 🌱	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread 🌱	Fishfingers or Salmon Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce 🌱
	Option Two	THE PASTA KITCHEN Pasta Kitchen Cheesy Ham Pasta or Tomato Pasta with Toppings 🍷	Vegan Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce 🌱	Vegetable Wellington, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy 🌱	Vegetable Curry with Rice 🍷	Mexican Bean Sausage Roll with Chips & Tomato Sauce 🌱
	Vegetables	Vegetable Medley	Baked Beans & Peas	Carrots & Cabbage	Green Beans & Coleslaw	Peas & Baked Beans
	Dessert	NEW Chocolate Brownie	NEW Iced Biscuit With Peaches	Jelly with Mandarins 🌱	Oaty Cookie 🍷	Fresh Fruit Platter 🌱
WEEK THREE 29/04/2024 20/05/2024 17/06/2024 08/07/2024 02/09/2024 23/09/2024 14/10/2024	Option One	Macaroni Cheese	FIESTA ESPAÑOL Chicken Paella with Patatas Bravas or Vegetable Wrap with Patatas Bravas 🌱	Roast Gammon, New Potatoes & Gravy	NEW Chicken Wrap with Rice 🍷	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Vegan Chilli with Rice 🍷	FIESTA ESPAÑOL Chicken Paella with Patatas Bravas or Vegetable Wrap with Patatas Bravas 🌱	Parsnip & Sweet Potato Loaf with New Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Lasagne & Garlic Bread 🍷	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips
	Vegetables	Peas & Carrots	Vegetable Medley	Carrots & Broccoli	Sweetcorn & Peppers	Peas & Baked Beans
	Dessert	Chocolate Shortbread	Summer Lemon Cake	Peaches & Ice Cream (cream for servery)	Syrup Snap Biscuit With Mandarins 🌱	Fresh Fruit Platter 🌱
MENU KEY	Added Plant Power Wholemeal Vegan					
<p>Available Daily: - Freshly Cooked Jacket Potatoes & Various Fillings Also, Bread freshly baked on site - Daily Salad Bar, Fruit Selection & Yoghurt All Meat is NON HALAL</p> <p>If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.</p>						



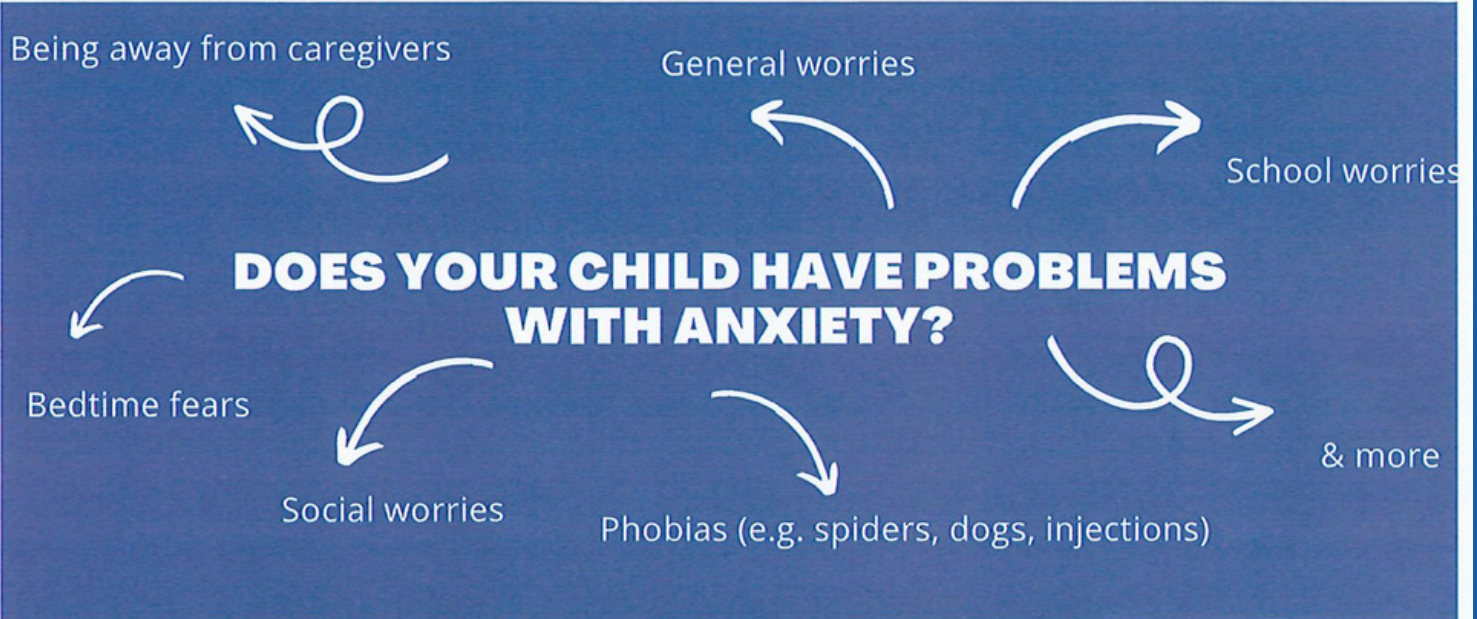


Online Support
and Intervention
for Child Anxiety



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OSI COULD HELP YOU

OSI (Online Support and Intervention) is an online platform designed to help parents to learn tools and techniques to help their child (aged 5 to 12 years old) to overcome difficulties with anxiety.

Parents work through weekly online modules that contain videos, quizzes, and interactive worksheets. Parents are also supported by a weekly telephone/videocall appointment with a practitioner.

You can access OSI at a convenient time for you using any electronic device!

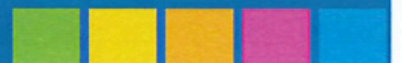


GET IN TOUCH:

Scan the QR code for more information on OSI.

If your child attends one of our schools, and you are interested in learning more about OSI and whether this is the right support for you, please email our team at:

EWTandESTenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk



AFFOR:)ABLE REFURBISHED BICYCLES

BUY a BIKE

Pick up an affordable refurbished bike at our next bike sale event at Goldwyn School, Ashford (TN23 3BT). Bikes are fully serviced, clean and available in a variety of sizes.

DONATE a BIKE

Bike too small or sitting unloved gathering dust? Donate it to us and we'll find it a good home. If you need a replacement, we'll offer you a 20% discount on a more suitable refurbished bike.

BIKE SALE EVENTS

Goldwyn School, Ashford (TN23 3BT).

Saturday 27th April (10.00-13.00).

For more info email: info@CycleCommunity.org



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School Term and Holiday Dates Academic Year 2023 - 2024

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TERM 1 Staff Training Day Friday 1st September 2023 School closed to pupils

Start Monday 4th September 2023

Finish Friday 20th October 2023

TERM 2

Start Monday 30th October 2023

Finish Wednesday 20th December 2023

Staff Training Day Thursday 21st December 2023 School closed to pupils

TERM 3

Start Monday 8th January 2024

Finish Friday 9th February 2024

TERM 4

Start Monday 19th February 2024

Finish Thursday 28th March 2024

Bank Holiday Friday 29th March 2024, Monday 1st April 2024

TERM 5

Start Monday 15th April 2024

Finish Friday 24th May 2024

Bank Holiday Monday 6th May & Monday 27th May 2024

TERM 6

Staff Training Day Monday 3rd June 2024 School closed to pupils

Start Tuesday 4th June 2024

Finish Friday 19th July 2024

Staff Training on Monday 22nd July & Tuesday 23rd July 2024 School closed to pupils



School Term and Holiday Dates Academic Year 2024 - 2025

TERM 1

Staff Training Day Monday 2nd September 2024 and 25th October 2024 School closed to pupils

Start Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Finish Thursday 24th October 2024

TERM 2

Start Monday 4th November 2024

Finish Friday 20th December 2024

TERM 3

Start Monday 6th January 2025

Finish Friday 14th February 2025

TERM 4

Start Monday 24th February 2025

Finish Friday 4th April 2025

Bank Holiday Friday 18th April 2025

TERM 5

Start Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Finish Friday 23rd May 2025

Bank Holiday Monday 21st April 2025

Bank Holiday Monday 5th May & Monday 26th May 2025

TERM 6

Staff Training Day 2nd June 2025

Start Tuesday 3rd June 2025

Finish Friday 18th July 2025

Staff Training on Monday 21st July & Tuesday 22nd July 2025 School closed to pupils.

