

Learning in September

30th September 2024

Eastwood Newsletter—Issue 1

HOUSEKEEPING

General reminders

- If your child is going to be away on holiday, please notify us as soon as possible in writing. All absences should be emailed to edn@eastwood.wandsworth.sch.uk or admin@eastwood.wandsworth.sch.uk
- Please remember, that in line with our **Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy and Procedures, the use of mobile phones is not permitted.**
- Please share a family photograph with us if you have not done so already.
- Please ensure that your children's clothing is labelled. We have a lost property box in Reception.



Dear Eastwood Families,

What a wonderful month it has been! We are delighted with how smoothly the children have settled into their new routines and how warmly our new families have been welcomed into the Eastwood community. It's been heartwarming to see friendships blossoming and confidence growing.

As we move into October, we're thrilled to introduce several exciting activities, including story/rhyme time weekly visits from the local library and the launch of our Forest School program, which will offer enriched outdoor experiences for the children.

If you are able to stop by the Family Hub Launch on Thursday 3rd October 2024, please visit our Eastwood Nursery stall. It will be a great opportunity to connect and celebrate our community together.

DIARY DATES

October 2024

Friday 4th October—Returning Nursery School Parent Meeting 8.45am and 12.30pm

Friday 18th October 2024— Closing date for Parent Governor Nominations (Eastwood Maintained Nursery)

Friday 18th October 2024—School Leavers Afternoon Tea party, 3:30pm—4:30pm (Eastwood Day Nursery)

Wednesday 23rd October 2024- Parent Coffee Morning with Paige our school based Social Worker (Further details to follow)

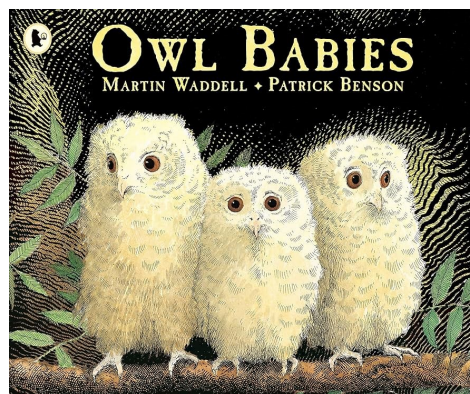
Thursday 24th October 2024 —Black history Month lunch special

Monday 28th October 2024— Friday 1st November 2024 — Half term for children attending Eastwood on a term time only place.

Monday 4th November 2024—Eastwood Maintained nursery closed for an Inset Day

November 2024

Monday 11th November 2024—World Nursery



Our Focus Story and Learning



In Oak Class the children have been learning about animals and their families.

They have recalled on the story "*I want my Mummy*" and have joined in with our very own owl props. The children have been busy making bird nests using leaves and branches and using leaves to print with.

You can listen to The Owl Babies story by Martin Waddell here—

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=74BE3eQl7uQ>



Ready, Steady Go...



Outdoors all of the children in Oak Class have been testing how fast themselves and the ride on vehicles travel down the ramps.

They have been very excited whilst doing this calling out, "*Ready, steady go*".

Even the youngest children in Oak Class have been showing a can do attitude moving around on the scooter boards.



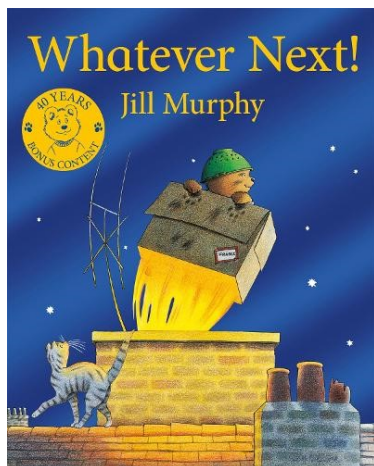
The children have also been enjoying using the other spaces outside of the classroom including the ball pit and soft play rooms.

They have taken part in Heuristic Play sessions testing out their ideas whilst investigating with a range of resources.

Please speak to us about donations of resources



Our Focus Story and Learning



Our focus story in Beech Class 'Whatever Next' has led to immersive learning all about space, astronauts, gravity and travelling to the moon.

The children have been busy making their own rockets with card and paper mache and have also made planets by learning a new technique of bubble blowing.

Outdoors the children have been using construction resources to make a rocket with it's very own straw ladder.

"The astronauts will use it to climb into the rocket".



Our topic on space will continue into October with the children becoming astronauts with their space helmet, rocket and launch pad.

We will also be having a special bear and owl themed snack, linked to Baby's Bears picnic on the moon with Owl.

"They are having biscuits on the moon"

You can listen to the Whatever Next story by Jill Murphy here -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Za-g9y0_Y1s

Numerals and Writing

The children have shown an interest in numerals following our 5,4,3,2,1 blast off countdowns!

From this they have been playing different number games including collecting their own numbered fish with their handmade fishing rods.

Outdoors the children have also been exploring with letters by mixing mud and water to create mud paint.

