



# The Head Teacher's Fortnightly Newsletter Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022



Dear Parents / Carers,

School is off to a great start this academic year and we're very busy with lots going on as usual! We've had visits to the Hancock Museum in Newcastle for our KS1 children and the York Chocolate Story for Years 3 and 4. The Y3/4 team have also had a great day working outdoors as part of their enquiry 'What is the Journey of a Cacao Bean?' They covered learning in both History and DT through grinding Cacao beans and building structures and fires to boil water and make a Mayan hot chocolate drink to enjoy! The children loved it! Photographs of all these activities can be found on our Twitter account @easterside\_a Please make sure you're following us!

We've also celebrated the European Day of Languages across the whole school and have a great range of after-school activities on like wheelchair basketball and boxing.

This year we'll be busy increasing the amount of physical activity your child does each day to ensure we meet the 60 minutes recommended as a minimum by the NHS; as well as working towards the LGBTQ+ Rainbow Flag Award!

Best Wishes  
Mrs D Linacre



## Attendance

Week Beg: 19/09/22 and 26/09/22

The information below tells you the attendance % for each class, for the last two weeks.

| Class | %  | %   |
|-------|----|-----|
| 1     | 94 | 99  |
| 2     | 89 | 93  |
| 3     | 96 | 97  |
| 4     | 98 | 98  |
| 5     | 94 | 100 |
| 6     | 81 | 95  |
| 7     | 97 | 95  |
| 8     | 96 | 93  |
| 9     | 99 | 99  |
| 10    | 85 | 96  |
| 11    | 92 | 97  |
| 12    | 99 | 88  |

The classes have been coded against the national average.  
Red – Way below average  
Yellow – Below average  
Green – Average or above

Please ensure your child comes to school every day unless they are poorly. All the children have lots to catch up on this year due to COVID and we can only do this best when they are in school.

The Special Attendance Breakfast Awards will be on the week before half term!

## Creating Active Schools



We are part of a national pilot looking at increasing opportunities for children to be physically active throughout the school day.

We are really interested to find out your views around physical activity, how important it is to you and your family and your understanding of what currently happens at school.

It should take around 2 minutes of your time and as a thank you for completing it, you'll be entered into a prize draw to win a £50 Amazon voucher! Please scan the QR code on this letter. The code has also been sent through Marvellous Me.

The questionnaire must be completed by Friday 21st October 2022. Winner will be announced 1st November



Year 6 Leavers Hoodies can be tried on and ordered for FREE on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 8.30 – 9.15am in the KS2 hall off the yard.



Daily photos of the children learning both indoors and outdoors are put on our website and Twitter feed.

Please follow us!  
@easterside\_a

Staff and governors are committed to the safeguarding and wellbeing of all the children in their care.