



East Meon Weekly Newsletter

'Love, Courage, Hope'

17th July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of term, I would like to update you on staffing for September. As previously shared, Mrs Sole, Mrs Symes, Mrs Smith and Miss Rose will be leaving East Meon at the end of this academic year. We are also saying goodbye to Miss Izhue, who will be beginning her teacher training in September. We wish each of them every success in their next steps.

A full staffing list for 2026–27 will be shared with parents shortly. We recognise that these updates come late in the year; however, the decision to combine R into 1/2 has required significant behind-the-scenes work to ensure strong staffing coverage while also maintaining a healthy financial position for the school.

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor on our Full Governing Body. Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 30th September**, and I warmly welcome expressions of interest via email.

This week has been a brilliant celebration of challenge, teamwork and joy. The children threw themselves into **Challenge Week** with enthusiasm, and yesterday's **Sports Day** was a real highlight. They were energised, determined and roared on by your fantastic support. Thank you for being such an important part of the day.

A special mention goes to FEMS for their ongoing commitment to fundraising for the school. We are delighted to share that the raffle raised an incredible £1,126. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets. Any unclaimed prizes will be followed up directly with families to arrange collection.

With warmest wishes,



Mr Penarroja
Headteacher





Stars of the Week

Discoverers: Harley and Max
Adventurers: Alessia and Natalia
Explorers: Josie and Freddie
Voyagers: Martha and Jasper

Dojo Winners of the Week

Discoverers: Ayla
Adventurers: Maya
Explorers: Josie
Voyagers: Martha



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Free holiday activities and meals for eligible children in East Hants this summer!

Children in Reception to Year 11 receiving benefits-related free school meals can enjoy a variety of fun activities and healthy meals for free during the summer break through the Hampshire Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme!

Scan the QR code on the left to browse HAF schemes in your local area via our new booking system, or visit the code on the right to find out more about the HAF programme through the connect4communities website.



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