



# East Meon Weekly Newsletter

'Love, Courage, Hope'

16th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good week. Our school photographer is in school today taking individual photographs of all pupils, as well as sibling photographs for brothers and sisters who attend East Meon CE Primary School. We look forward to sharing details of how to view and order photographs once these are available.

Looking ahead to next week, we have two events to remind you about. Parent meetings will take place in the hall, and further communication regarding arrangements will be sent on Monday. We are also looking forward to our **Spooky Disco** on **Friday 23rd October** from **5.00pm to 6.30pm**. Come dressed in your best spooky attire and be ready for a thriller of a night!

This year, the school has adopted the Opening Doors approach to English. Opening Doors is all about making challenging, high-quality texts and an ambitious English curriculum accessible to all learners. We have already seen some wonderful outcomes, particularly in Key Stage 2. I have been especially impressed with the narratives produced by Voyagers Class based on *The First Men in the Moon* by H.G. Wells. The children have skilfully used similes, ellipses, rhetorical questions and figurative language to enhance their writing and create engaging, imaginative pieces. Their work demonstrates both creativity and a growing mastery of the writer's craft, and it is wonderful to see such enthusiasm and progress in their learning.

A gentle reminder to parents and carers of children in Adventurers Class that **Tapestry**, our online learning journal, contains many photographs, observations and examples of your child's learning journey in school. We encourage you to log in and explore the wonderful experiences and achievements that have been captured throughout the year. If you have not yet accessed your account, please activate it using the login details that have been sent to you via email. If you are experiencing any difficulties accessing Tapestry, please contact the Adventurers team for support.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our Phonics Workshop in Adventurers this week. It was wonderful to see you learning alongside your children and sharing in their learning journey. One of the highlights of the session was seeing the smiles on the children's faces when they realised that their families were joining them in the classroom; it was truly magical. I would also like to thank Miss Lambton for delivering such a fantastic lesson and for demonstrating the fidelity and consistency that we have with our phonics programme across the school. If you would like to find out more about the Little Wandle phonics programme and how you can support your child at home, please visit:

<https://www.littlewandle.org.uk/resources/for-parents/#tabnametabSupportForPhonics>.

Finally, thank you to everyone who attended the quiz night yesterday evening. It was a fun-filled event and, despite a few enthusiastic contributions from the audience, I didn't feel heckled at all! It was wonderful to see members of our school community coming together, enjoying each other's company and sharing plenty of laughter. In a world where so much seems to be measured and evaluated, it was refreshing to spend an evening focused simply on having fun together. The points didn't matter, but the sense of community certainly did. Thank you for an enjoyable evening.

Warmest wishes,

Mr Penarroja



### Key Dates

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> October – Photographer in – solo and sibling photo shots

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Meeting 3:40 – 6

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Parents Meetings 3:40 – 6

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Spooky Disco 5 – 6:30 (TBC)

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Half term**

### Stars of the Week

Adventurers: Harry and Harriett

Explorers: Freddie P and Grayson

Voyagers: Hunter and Freddie F



### Dojo Winners

Adventurers: Otis

Explorers: Lula

Voyagers: Lylah



### MUSIC PRODUCTION HALLOWEEN ENRICHMENT DAY

For children in Years 2 – 8

- Create spooky tracks and Halloween soundscapes!
- Use iPads and Garageband
- Make monster beats and haunted remixes
- Explore sampling and sound effects
- No experience needed – just bring your creativity!

[Sign Up Here](#)

### October Half Term Music Enrichment

Monday 26 October 2026 9:30am – 3:30pm

Barton Peveril College, Eastleigh, SO50 6ZA

£42.50 (lunch included)

### CHOIR FOR A DAY

For children in Years 4 – 8

- Spend the day singing with other young people from across Hampshire
- Perform songs from musical theatre and pop
- Build confidence and vocal skills
- Learn harmonies and performance techniques
- No auditions or experience needed – everyone welcome!

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[Music Production Link](#)  
[Holiday Enrichment Link](#)

## spooky disco!

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

17:00 – 18:30

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN AND FRIGHTS!

**£2.50 PER CHILD**

**KS1 IN ADVENTURERS**

KS1-adults must  
stay

**KS2 IN THE HALL**

KS2 adults optional  
for helpers

Costume  
competition

Dancing

Glitter  
tattoos

Spooky Mini games

Tickets on sale at the costume swap or on the door

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Did you guess the storybook character from page 1?