

Headteacher Newsletter

Autumn Term: 17th October 2025

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended Parents Evening this week. If you did not book an appointment to see your child's teacher, please speak to them at the end of the day for a very quick update as to how your child has settled back into school and their learning.

Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you to all parents / carers for ensuring your child / children are on time every day – it really makes such a difference when children are in class before the register is taken to ensure they have a settled start to their day.

In regards to attendance, I would like to introduce some new reward systems for children who have excellent attendance. I have asked School Council to consider some rewards for children who have 96%+ attendance each half term – this allows for 2 days absence due to illness and they will still receive the attendance reward. Watch this space... I will inform parents / carers in my next newsletter as to the new rewards School Council have suggested.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Please can you ensure your information is up to date and we have your current email and mobile phone number(s) to ensure our MCAS contacts are up-to-date. If you need to update your contact details at any point throughout the year, please email them to the school office (office@eatock.bolton.sch.uk). Thank you.

Online Safety

We talk to the children ongoing about Online Safety – how to stay safe online, but we ask parents / carers to also talk to your children about possible risks when online, including social media, to ensure they stay safe when online. Here are some useful websites you can explore if you wish to: [Help & advice | Childnet](#) and [Monitoring apps guide for parents: Top tips | Internet Matters](#).

Halloween Fun Day

On Tuesday 21st October, **all children are invited to dress in Halloween costume**, if they wish to, whether they are going to the Halloween Disco or not. All tickets for the Halloween disco have been sold. Thank you.

School Open Day

This year's **Open Day will be on Thursday 13th November**, 9:30am – 11am and 1:30pm – 2:30pm. We are also offering an Open Evening this year, on Monday 24th November, 3:30pm – 5:30pm. Families who wish to book a place on either the Open Day or Open Evening should email the school Office. Thank you.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported the Macmillan Cake Sale. We raised over £600 for the charity, so thank you for your support!

Reindeer Run & Christmas Fair

This year, School Council have suggested the children take part in a Reindeer Run for Bolton Hospice before our annual Christmas Fair. **Both events will take place on Thursday 4th December.** The Reindeer Run will take place on the playground, starting at 1:45pm and will end at 2:25pm, and the Christmas Fair will open at 2:30pm in the School Hall. This year's Christmas Fair is not to be missed!! Please check MCAS after October half term for the timetable for the Reindeer Run. Thank you.

Parent / Carer Survey

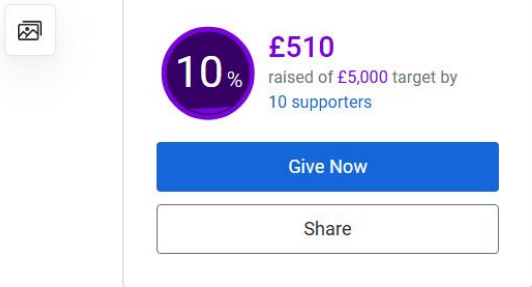
We will be sending out a survey for parents / carers to complete. If you can find the time to complete it, I would really appreciate it. The Governors, staff and I value your feedback. Thank you.

Computers for School Fundraising

For parents / carers who are not aware, I wanted to share **our Computers for School Fundraiser**. By the end of this academic year, we must replace the computers in our computer suite and across school for the Windows 11 upgrade. The total cost for this upgrade is around £20,000, which is more than our school budget allows for, so we have set up a Just Giving Page, in the hope we can raise some money to contribute to the cost of the upgrade. **We appreciate all donations, as they all mount up!** And a **HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who has already donated** towards this fundraiser.

If you would like to make a donation, you click here: [Crowdfunding For Good From JustGiving](#)

I'm raising £5000 to Eatock Computers for School



10 donations

[Top donations](#)

Just a note – when you make a donation, Just Giving will add a tip to your donation, but you can change it **or remove it completely**.

Thank you again to everyone who has donated towards our Computers for School Fundraiser.

We have **lots of exciting events** coming up in school this term, including Class Assemblies, EYFS Nativity, KS1 and KS2 Christmas Carol Service, Bolton Hospice Reindeer Run, Christmas Fair and so much more. **Please check our School Website regularly** to ensure you are aware of the events coming up. Click the blue link below to visit our Events Calendar:

[Events calendar – Eatock Primary School](#) Thank you.

Safeguarding and safety

Encompass and safeguarding

Reminder: Schools have a duty to inform parents/carers about our participation in [Operation Encompass](#). Encompass is a partnership between Greater Manchester Police, Bolton Safeguarding Children Board and designated school staff, known as Key Adults. Working together to safeguard children, Greater Manchester Police will inform the Key Adults within schools about any incidents involving the police.

Bikes and Scooters

We welcome children coming to school on their bike or scooter, but please ensure your child does not scoot / cycle **on the school grounds**. This will ensure everyone stays safe on site. Thank you.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Hickman

