

The Edith Borthwick School  
Weekly Update

**Friday 29th September 2023**

## Head's Update

Good afternoon

This week seems to have rushed by because there has been so much going on! We have been looking at **friendship** this week in class and assemblies. This has been reflected in the groups that I have seen playing on the field so nicely together.

On Tuesday we had our first FOEBS meeting of the year. It was lovely to see so many parents (and a couple of young volunteers!). We are starting our planning for Halloween and Christmas. On **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October we will be holding two school/FOEBS Halloween discos** during the day, so it would be great if our learners could come **dressed in fancy dress** on that day.

We also discussed trying to fundraise for a swimming pool. FOEBS are looking for **volunteers to join a swimming pool sub-committee** to look at options.

On Wednesday we held a **coffee morning for the parents of new learners** as we had twenty new learners join us in September. It was lovely to have the opportunity to chat and get to know each other a bit better.

A ParentMail has been sent out because we are **collecting for the Braintree foodbank** again for our harvest festival assemblies next week. Please see the list below and send anything that you can. You can also donate online at **[braintreearea.foodbank.org.uk](http://braintreearea.foodbank.org.uk)**  
We will be collecting until Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

Today is **National Teaching Assistant (TA) day**. We are so lucky in our school to have a huge team of amazing TA's and support staff who support our learners to make such good progress. **THANK YOU** to all of them. 😊

Finally, Southend class held a **Macmillan cake sale** on Wednesday to tie in with the Macmillan coffee mornings that are being held this week. Cake sales are very popular in our school and they managed to raise an amazing **£153!** Well done Southend class.

Have a lovely weekend.

Maggie

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### Upcoming dates

- **Monthly coffee morning for all parents**

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 9.45am-11am

- **Non-Pupil Day**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

- **Half Term**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023

### Favourite Activities! ★



#### Jacob from Leopards

We thought it would be nice to show you some pictures of Jacob enjoying his favourite pastime in the world! He is horse mad! His hobby is Horse Riding and visiting farms/stables and horse sanctuaries.



### HARVEST Festival

SHOPPING LIST

<u>Essential Items</u>	<u>To Maintain Our Stocks</u>
Jam	Instant Snack (Pot Noodle)
Tinned Cold Meat	Tinned Hot Meat (Stew, mince)
Packet Custard	Packet Soup
Cereal	Pasta Sauce
Sponge Puddings	Deodorant
UHT Milk	

We ask for small packs as larger packs do not fit in our boxes making it difficult for our clients to carry home. Also, we are unable (for hygiene reasons) to split large size or catering packs.

We follow the standards set by the Food Standards Agency. We can only accept donations of unopened and undamaged goods that are still well within their "use by" date (no less than six months if possible). Items which do not meet these requirements cannot be used and your donation may be wasted.

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### Favourite Activities/Hobbies

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