

# Easton Primary School Annual Report to the Parish Council – 2025–2026

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Chair, Councillors, and members of the community,

Thank you for the opportunity to present this annual report. Easton Primary School continues to thrive as a small, vibrant, and inclusive school at the heart of the village. We currently have 77 pupils on roll, drawn from Easton and the surrounding rural area.

## School Overview

The school continues to operate with three mixed-age classes:

- Hazel Class: EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2
- Rowan Class: Years 3 and 4
- Oak Class: Years 5 and 6

Our values of Creativity, Adaptability, Resilience, Kindness, and Curiosity remain central to school life and underpin both learning and personal development.

At the start of the academic year, our new Reception children settled quickly and confidently into school life. During the autumn term, the girls' toilets were completely refitted, representing an important improvement to the school environment. The boys' toilets are scheduled to be refurbished during the summer holidays.

## Academic Life and Curriculum

We continue to maintain strong standards in reading while working to strengthen writing and mathematics. Our teaching approach is rooted in mastery, with a clear emphasis on reasoning, problem solving, and oracy, particularly in mathematics.

Alongside this, we continue to develop and refine our curriculum to ensure that it remains ambitious, broad, and relevant to the needs of our pupils.

## Enrichment and Wider Opportunities

The school has provided a wide range of enrichment opportunities during the year. In the autumn term, Oak Class took part in a residential visit to Hilltop Outdoor Centre, where pupils demonstrated resilience, teamwork, and independence.

Our annual Fun Run was another success, with pupils covering a combined total of 327 kilometres. Amethyst House achieved the greatest overall distance.

Pupils also took part in a bird box building workshop supported by the Easton and Letheringham Gardening Club, and the school marked World Space Week with a programme of themed activities, including a visiting planetarium.

Further opportunities this year have included the Candlelit Concert at Easton Church, a trip to the London Coliseum to see HMS Pinafore, participation in a STEAM event at Leiston Primary School, a coding event linked to Sizewell B, and sporting representation through the High Suffolk Schools Sports Partnership.

## Music and Performance

Music continues to be a strength of the school. All classes receive expert tuition from a County Music Service specialist. In addition, Rowan and Oak Class pupils learn violin and cello, and approximately one third of pupils also receive piano tuition.

Alongside class music teaching, pupils benefit from a range of opportunities to sing, perform, and develop musically through concerts and wider performance work. These experiences make an important contribution

to pupils' confidence, collaboration, and self-expression, while also strengthening links with families and the wider community.

## **Community and Environment**

The Triangle of Life remains an important part of school life and a valued link with the wider community. Children continue to benefit from opportunities for gardening, environmental learning, and outdoor education.

Further funding was secured through East Suffolk Council's Field to Fork scheme, allowing the school to purchase a greenhouse and new benches to support the continued development of the area.

We are also pleased that 10 swift boxes have been installed by the Suffolk Bird Group to encourage swifts to nest locally and to further strengthen the school's work in supporting wildlife.

## **Safeguarding and Wellbeing**

The safety and wellbeing of our pupils remain our highest priority. We continue to support children's emotional and social development through our curriculum, pastoral support, targeted interventions, and close partnership with families.

## **Community Engagement**

We value our relationship with the wider Easton community and continue to strengthen these links through performances, shared events, environmental projects, and the support of volunteers and local organisations, including Easton and Letheringham Gardening Club.

We are grateful to our parents, volunteers, the Easton School Association, community groups, and the Parish Council for their continued support of the school.

## **Thank You**

On behalf of the staff, governors, pupils, and families of Easton Primary School, thank you for your continued support. We remain committed to providing a high-quality education and to making a positive contribution to village life.

Yours sincerely,

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James Mansell  
Community Liaison