

EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

13th September 2024

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families

That's the end of our first full week back and it has been an amazing week!

On Monday, we welcomed our new children into reception and we are amazed with how brilliantly they have settled in. We hope that our families feel supported on this important journey and we are looking forward to seeing them grow and learn throughout the year.

Last week, we had an assembly every day. On Wednesday's assembly we learnt about 'Finding our Greatness' and launched our Proud Points.

On Thursday, we talked about why we come to school, how our behaviour in school is really important and read the book Bottled. It is a

book we have read before but I wanted to share it as it teaching us all about not bottling up their emotions.



Then, on Friday we explored the phrase: 'Yes I can!' Inspired by [this video](#) from the Rio Paralympics and read the book: The Girl Who Figured it Out, which is the inspirational true story of Minda Dentler,



a paralyzed orphan from India who went on to be the first female wheelchair athlete to complete in the Ironman World Championships.

This week, our assembly was focussed on the Leadership Roles we have in school and how to apply for them. We want to grow our future leaders and know that pupil voice is a huge part in shaping the direction and success of East Hunsbury. Our Leadership roles this year are:

- Reading Ambassadors (Years 2-6)
- School Ministers (Years 1-6)
- Maths Ambassadors (KS2)
- Kindness Ambassadors (Years 2-6)
- Playleaders (KS2)
- House Captains (Y6 only)
- Digital Leaders (KS2)

Apart from the minster role, where children must campaign to be voted by their class, all of the other roles are done via an application form. I am looking forward to sharing with you early in October who are leaders are!

Summer Reading Challenge

WELL DONE to all of the children who took part in the Library's Summer Reading Challenge this year! It lifted my heart to see so many certificates and medals come in. GOOD NEWS! The library have extended the competition closing date to 21st September which means you still have to complete it!

Taster sessions and Clubs – CAN YOU HELP?

This week, we have also been running lots of sports taster sessions for our clubs.

This year, we are again hoping to offer even clubs to your children. If you are a parent with a coaching qualification e.g. football, rugby,

cricket etc or even a skill like knitting or chess and would be happy to volunteer to run a club for us, please do get in contact with me (penningtonk@easthunsburyprimary.org) so that we can discuss it. All safeguarding checks will need to be made.

Car Park

We are 8 days in and already we are receiving complaints from local residents about driveways being blocked and inconsiderate parking. PLEASE drive and park safely! I am not sure how many times or reminders we can send. It is likely that if things do not improve, we will need to operate a 'name and shame' approach by publishing images in the newsletter.

Dates

Last week, we sent out the dates for the academic year – please note the following:

- Spooktacular 19th October (this year we will have a Pumpkin Carving competition with House Points as Prizes!)
- Christmas Fair 7th December

Have a lovely weekend everyone. Here is a [link](#) to last week's welcome back newsletter with lots of information in it, in case you missed it.

See you on Monday!

Ms Pennington



SU NEWS - BLUE CLASS

This term in Blue Class we are learning about Belonging. The children have been playing together inside and outside and have started to build friendships with each other. We have created beautiful blue collages, which are proudly displayed in the classroom and we have been learning about all the new routines and rules in school. We were also lucky enough to have celebrated two birthdays already! The teaching team have been extremely impressed with how well everyone has settled in and we are looking forward to a wonderful year of learning together.

Rachael - Blue Class Teacher



EHPS HOUSE POINTS TOTALISER

	 Whittlewood	 Harlestone	 Everdon	 Salcey
This week	116	116	102	98
Grand total	116	116	102	98



PARKING

We have received several complaints from local residents about inconsiderate and dangerous parking this week.



- DO** park safely and considerately
- DO** be polite to our neighbours
- DO** be a considerate driver and put your children's and other parents' children's safety above everything else.
- DO** your best for your own children by teaching them about road safety.



- DON'T** park across driveways
- DON'T** park dangerously
- DON'T** park on footpaths
- DON'T** park on zigzag lines
- DON'T** block the road



PLEASE READ

Consent and Permissions for use of Images relating to your child

We often have to ask your permission for photographs / videos of your children to be shared on various platforms e.g. Facebook, newsletter or website. We are aware that we have to keep asking you for these permissions and would like to avoid that whenever possible.

Therefore, we have sought advice from our Trust DPO and have created **this form** to obtain your ongoing consent. **Our aim is to get a response from a parent/carer for every child** and then we only need to ask our new families when they start school to complete the form. If you wish to change the consents given for your child at any point, you can do this by contacting the school office in writing.

If you need any help completing the form, please do not hesitate to contact the school office who will be able to help you. The deadline to complete the form is **9am on Friday 20th September 2024**.

If you've already completed the form, please do not complete it again. If you are unsure if you've completed it, please call the school office.

[Click here to complete the form](#)



Hunsbury Hedgehogs

[Click the link to book your place](#)

Booking closes on 15th September

LAST CHANCE TO BOOK YOUR PLACE

Come and join The Hunsbury Hedgehog *Pre-School* Forest school group at East Hunsbury Primary School. 🦔

Children are invited to explore nature in our woodland setting, role play and make mud pies in our mud kitchen, create magic potions, climb trees, build dens, navigate our woodland obstacle course, enjoy a snack and drink under the forest canopy, and much much more ! 🦔

Sessions will take place on Tuesday mornings from 10.30am - 11.45am, starting on Tuesday 17th September 2024. Sessions will cost £35 per child and are available to book in a six week block. Adults play for free with at least one fee paying hedgehog 🦔

Click the link above to find out more and to secure your place 🦔.

Saturday 19th
October 2024

12 - 2.30pm

£6.00 per child (2-16)
Ages 0-2 and 16+ go free!

[Book your tickets here](#)

Hotdogs &
drinks for sale

**BOOK EARLY TO AVOID
DISAPPOINTMENT!**

**ONLY 100
TICKETS
AVAILABLE**

**Tickets
sold out
last year**

EHPS SPOOKTACULAR EVENT

PUMPKIN
TRAIL

ALL
CHILDREN
WILL
RECEIVE A
GOODIE BAG

APPLE
BOBBING

FANCY DRESS
COMPETITION
(ANNOUNCED FOLLOWING
WEEK VIA CLASS DOJO)

HALLOWEEN
SCAVENGER
HUNT

SPOOKY
CUPS

DRESS THE
SKELETON

PUMPKIN
HOOPLA

SPIDER
CHOPSTICKS

HOOK-A-
SPOOK

EYEBALL
DIG

PRIZES

A MIXTURE OF SWEETS AND POCKETMONEY TOYS
ONCE THEY'RE GONE, THEY'RE GONE

September Issue

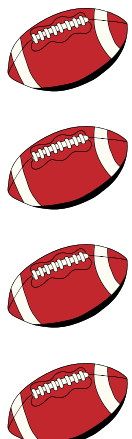


This newsletter focuses on all the amazing events, clubs and groups that families, children and young people can access across the county that are free or affordable to attend.

[CLICK HERE FOR WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE'S NEWSLETTER](#)



This is Olivia-Grace enjoying her first Rugby match last weekend. Thanks to our partnership with Northampton Saints, we are given a number of FREE tickets which we offer to families regularly on a first come, first served basis by email. Keep an eye on your Inbox for the next release of tickets.



Do you shop at

ASDA?



Between **2nd September and 30th November 2024** – every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen Primary school.

- Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools (make sure you have the latest version of the app installed)
- Choose our Primary School – either searching by name or postcode
- Shop **instore** across Asda and George, or **online** at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop.

Walk in Wednesday dates

25.09.24	Walk in Wednesday 1 - Reading	08:30-9:00	Classroom
27.11.24	Walk in Wednesday 2 - Christmas	08:30-9:00	Classroom
29.01.25	Walk in Wednesday 3 - Reading	08:30-9:00	Classroom
12.03.25	Walk in Wednesday 4 - Easter Crafts	08:30-9:00	Classroom
07.05.25	Walk in Wednesday 5 - Reading	08:30-9:00	Classroom
18.06.25	Walk in Wednesday 6 - Science	08:30-9:00	Classroom

Start collecting together your unwanted clothing and shoes

EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Raise funds by collecting reusable clothes

RAGS 2 RICHES Schools Clubs Groups

WE ACCEPT CLEAN, GOOD QUALITY, DRY, REUSABLE CLOTHING

- Adults, Childrens & Babies Clothing
- Jewellery and Accessories
- Paired Shoes and Footwear
- Belts and Handbags

A full list of reusable items is listed on our website www.raas2riches4schools.co.uk

WE DO NOT ACCEPT

POOR QUALITY ITEMS SUCH AS DIRTY, WET, RIPPED OR SOILED CLOTHES, PILLOWS, DUVETS, CURTAINS, BOOKS CDs OR ANY UNIFORM

If you are unsure what to put in the bags **STOP AND THINK WOULD YOU WEAR IT?**

Please use the clothing bag provided. You can also use any additional bag if required.

Collection Date: **6th November**

Please remember - NO UNIFORM

Facebook Twitter QR Code

Bags will be given out just before October half term. They can be returned to the school **NOT BEFORE TUESDAY 5th NOVEMBER** ready for our collection on **WEDNESDAY 6th November**. Please leave filled bags outside the school office.

WE ARE



SCHOOL

This includes chocolate spreads which contain nuts

Harvest

To celebrate Harvest this year, we will be collecting donations of items from the list below for our school Food Bank between **16th and 26th September**. If you are able to donate, please send items to school with your child between these dates. **Please do not send perishable items.**

[Click here](#) to complete the Wellbeing Form to tell us if the Foodbank is something you think that your family would benefit from.

- Cereal
- UHT milk
- Tea
- Tinned meat - corned beef, pies, ham
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned vegetables
- Toilet rolls
- Tinned fish
- Coffee
- Crackers
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Soap
- Baked beans
- Pasta/Rice
- Tinned/packet soup
- Washing tablets/capsules
- Honey/Jam/Marmalade
- Sanitary wear
- Deodorant
- Shower Gel
- Biscuits
- Tins of custard/rice pudding





CENSUS DAY



To help our school, if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in mainstream or the SU **please order a school lunch for 3rd October** on School Grid even if your child usually has packed lunch and won't eat the school lunch. They can still bring in and eat packed lunch as usual. Part of our school budget is decided on how many infant lunches are **ordered**. School lunch for EYFS & KS1 children is free so you will not be charged. Our meal provider puts on an extra special menu on Census Day. This time it has a Favourite Characters theme - Spongebob, Lilo & Stich, Sonic & Mr Potato Head.

If you haven't logged on to School Grid before or need some help with it, please give the office a call.

CHARACTER FAVOURITES

Thursday 3rd October 2024

Mains

- Spongebob's Krabby Patty with Cheese (Cheeseburger)
- Lilo & Stich's Hawaiian Pizza Adventure
- Sonic's Golden Coins (Vegetable Nuggets) (VG)
- Mr Jacket Potato Head (GF)

Sides

- Mickey's All American Fries
- Super Mario Slaw
- Barbie Beans
- Ken's Ketchup
- Spiderman Salad Bar

Desserts

- Willy Wonka's Ice Cream Factory (V)
- Gingerbread Man from Far Far Away (VG)
- Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF)

dolce

Who works at East Hunsbury Primary School?

Meet the Team



Hello, my name is Miss Parker and this is my first year as a teacher at EHPS. I completed my teacher training at Northampton University after gaining a degree in Education and Psychology at the University of Lincoln. I am so excited to start teaching in Year 3 with my amazing class and can't wait to get settled into such a brilliant school!

I am looking forward to teaching at EHPS because I had the pleasure of being here as part of my teacher training last year and loved the positive, supportive environment that the school encourages. I can't wait to be teaching in a class where we can be happy, work hard and meet our goals together.

When I am not at school, I love spending time with my family and friends. I enjoy travelling to different places and have recently begun running. I completed the London Landmarks Half Marathon in April and hope to do some more next year (maybe with a running club on the cards too!)



Attendance News

Whole school average attendance this week was

97.3%

We are aiming to be at **96% + every week.**

REGISTRATION TIME – MAINSTREAM

The register is taken at 08:45am – all children must be in school by this time, ready to learn (not arriving). This means that their coats and bags need to be away and they are in their classroom ready. School gates open at 08:30am.

Children arriving after 8.45am will be marked as 'late' in the register and this will affect their overall attendance marks.

Children arriving after 9.15am will be marked as 'unauthorised absence,' this will also affect their overall attendance marks.

REGISTRATION TIME – SU

The school day timings are **8.40am - 3.30pm** for ALL children in the SU. This means Blue Class children will start and finish at the same time as all other SU classes. Classroom doors will open at **8.40am** and we will take the register at **8.55am** daily. **This means if your child arrives after 8.55am they will be marked as late.**

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	Weekly Attendance	Year Group	Weekly Attendance
Reception	98.69%	1	97.83%
2	97.08%	3	97.54%
4	96.90%	5	93.07%
6	98.83%		

BE KIND

WORK HARD

BELIEVE

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Careers Corner

WHAT'S IT LIKE TO BE A...?

TEACHER



What is your job?

My name is Miss Lucy Jenkinson and I am in my fifth year of teaching. I currently teach Year Four. I have previously taught Year Four, Five and Year Six twice.

What does it feel like to be a new teacher at a school?

Being a new teacher can be really quite daunting! Getting to know the school site and where everything is can take some getting used to and I think new pupils must share this too. There are lots of staff members

to get to know and learning everyone's names on top of all the children's takes a while. I think there are many similarities to starting as a new teacher and as a pupil; getting used to the new school site, new people to meet and get to know, new timetables to get your head around and getting to know how the school generally works.

What do you do to prepare yourself for teaching in a new school?

Like children starting a new school, we get a couple of days at our new school to meet staff, meet our new class and have a tour of the site. This is helpful to gather as much information as possible about timetables, staff members I need to know about and what my new class will be like. I usually go in over the summer to set my classroom up and start meeting staff and getting to know the caretaker: someone you should have on your side!

Did you always want to be a teacher?

Originally, I wanted to be a TV presenter or a journalist as I am interested in media, but helping teach ballet at my dance school inspired me to become a teacher. I had some fantastic teachers at primary and remembered how much fun I had and I knew from this that I also wanted to create and share these experiences for children.

Do you have a favourite subject you like teaching most?

I love teaching literacy. I enjoy reading and love literature and getting children excited about books and writing.

What qualities do you need to have to do your job well?

You need to be a people person. Engaging children in their learning at all different levels and learning styles requires you to be able to understand people and interact and engage with them on their individual level. You need to be organised – the list of jobs is endless and it's important to try to keep on top of them. You need to have a good sense of humour and have patience and understanding for the children, staff and adults that you work with.



R.E.D. October

SPOILER ALERT

INCOMING AUTHORS!

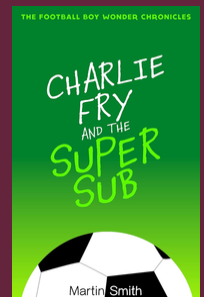
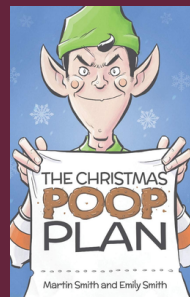
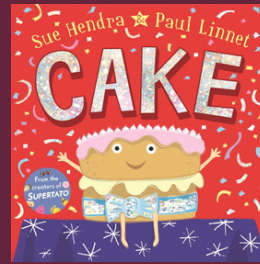
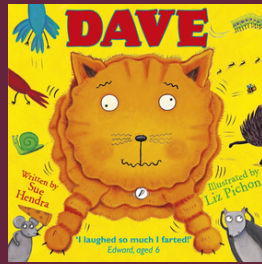
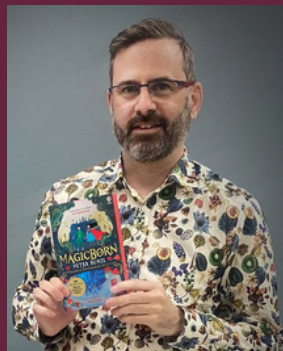
WE'RE SO EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE WE WILL BE HAVING VISITS FROM THESE AUTHORS NEXT MONTH...

SUE HENDRA

PETER BUNZL

MARTIN SMITH

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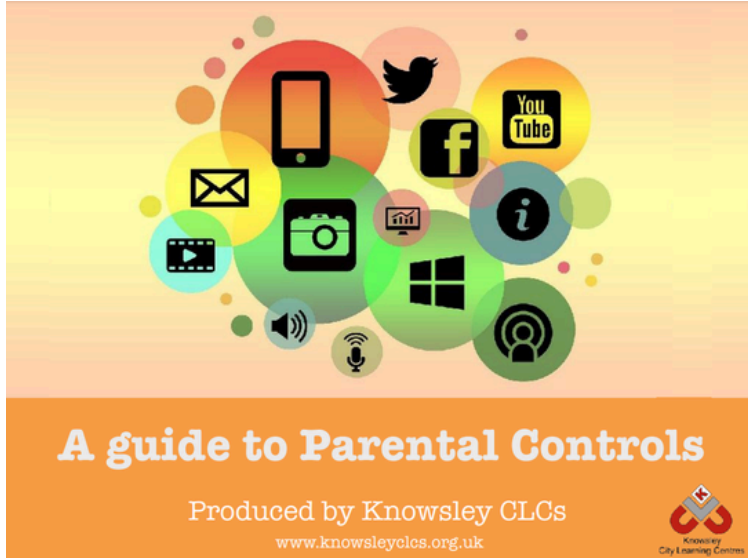




E-Safety & Wellbeing



Information about...



- 1 Home Internet
- 2 Consoles
- 3 Social media
- 4 Smart devices

[Click here for more information](#)

Advice for parents/carers

- 1 Encourage open communication
- 2 Teach coping strategies
- 3 Create a supportive environment
- 4 Seek professional help

[Click here for more information](#)

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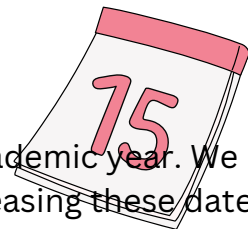
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ANNUAL DATES



Below you will find all of the dates we know so far for the whole of the academic year. We hope that these will support you in your family forward planning. As we are releasing these dates so far in advance, they may change but if they do we will colour any additions or amendments in red so that you can see them and communicate changes in advance. We do hope that you find this useful.

Just to bring to your attention (and dare I say it) our Christmas Fete is only 13 weeks away on Saturday 7th December. Please pop the date into your diaries as the excitement for our Christmas hampers builds... 😊

Date	Activity	Time
SEPTEMBER		
19.09.24	Flu Immunisations (whole school)	TBC
25.09.24	Walk In Wednesday Reading	8.30 - 9.00am
26.09.24	Year 3 Harvest Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am
OCTOBER		
03.10.24	Character Favourites Census Day	
10.10.24	Hello Yellow (wear Yellow for Young Minds - no charge)	All day
08.10.24	KS1 Reading Information Meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm
11.10.24	Mufti Day for RED October	All day
19.10.24	Spooktacular	12.00pm - 2.30pm
22.10.24	Reception Individual & Sibling photographs	Morning
23 - 25.10.24	Yr 6 Residential	3 days
25.10.24	Year 4 & Orange Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am

NOVEMBER

06.11.24	Rags to Riches Collection	8.30am
06.11.24	Reception Phonics Information Meeting	9.00am - 11.00am
10.11.24	Remembrance Event - Grangewood Park	10.45 - 11.15
13.11 & 14.11.24	Parents' Evening (All Mainstream)	3.50pm - 6.30pm
13.11.24	SU Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 6.50pm
12.11 - 15.11.24	Bookfair	After school
13.11.24	Positive Noticing Day	all day
15.11.24	Yr 2 to St Benedict's Church	Afternoon
27.11.24	Walk In Wednesday Christmas	8.30am - 9.00am
27.11.24	Simon Aston E-Safety Talk for Families	6.00pm - 7.00pm
30.11.24	Choir Singing at Hunsbury Festive Fair at Hunsbury Library	12.30 - 3.30pm

DECEMBER

07.12.24	Christmas Fete	10am - 1pm
13.12.24	Year 2 & Green Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am
18.12.24	Year 6 & Red Christmas Carols & Crafts	TBC
17.12.24	Year 1 Carols by Twinklelight	6.00pm - 7.00pm
17.12.24	Christmas Party Day (Christmas Jumpers and Lunch)	All Day

JANUARY

16.01.25	Yr 4 Multiplication Check information meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm
16.01.25	Australia Day Census Day	
28.01.25	Yr 6 SATs Information meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm
29.01.25	Walk In Wednesday Reading	8.30am - 9.00am

FEBRUARY

03.02 - 07.02.25	Childrens' Mental Health Week	
11 & 12.02.25	Year 6 Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 6.30pm
13.02.25	Year 1 Phonics Test Information Meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm
14.02.25	Year 3 & Purple Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am

MARCH

5 & 6.03.25	Mainstream Parents' Evening (not Yr 6)	3.50pm - 6.30pm
05.03.25	SU Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 6.50pm
05.03 - 07.03.25	Bookfair	After school
12.03.25	Walk In Wednesday Easter Crafts	8.30am - 9.00am
17.03 - 21.03.25	Neurodiversity Week	

MARCH

21.03.25	Odd Socks Day for World Down Syndrome Day	
28.03.25	Year 1 Class Assembly	9.30am-10.30am

APRIL

02.04.25	Autism Awareness Day - Wear Blue (No Charge)	All Day
02.04.25	SU Show	10.00am-11.00am
22.04 & 23.04.25	Earth Days	All Day

MAY

07.05.25	Walk In Wednesday Reading	8.30am - 9.00am
12 - 15.05.25	Yr 6 SATS	Mornings
15.05.25	Endangered Species Census Day	
22.05.25	Year 4 Spring Assembly	9.15am - 10.00am
22.05.25	Reception Sports Day	10.15am - 11.45am
22.05.25	Year 6 Sports Day	1.30pm - 3.00pm
23.05.25	Year 5 and Yellow Class Assembly	9.30am - 10.30am

JUNE

02.06 - 13.06.25	Yr 4 Multiplication Check	
w/c 09.06.25	Yr 1 Phonics Check	
11.06.25	SU Sports Morning	9.30 - 11.30am
18.06.25	Walk In Wednesday Science	8.30am - 9.00am
26.06.25	Sports Day Year 1	9.30 - 11am
26.06.25	Sports Day Year 2	1.30 - 3pm
27.06.25	Sports Day Year 3	9.30 - 11.00am
27.06.25	Sports Day Year 4	1.30 - 3.00pm
28.06.25	Whole School Summer Fayre (Country dancing & Maypole by Years 2, 5, Purple & Yellow)	10.00 - 1.00pm
30.06 - 03.07.25	Yr 5 Bikeability	
30.06 - 04.07.25	Careers & Aspirations Week	

JULY

04.07.25	Reception & Blue Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am
04.07.25	Brilliance Exhibition	TBC
08.07.25	Music Gala	5.30pm - 7.00pm

JULY

09 - 11.07.25	Yr 3 Residential Everdon	
10.07.25	Sports Day Year 5	9.30 - 11.00am
15.07.25	Yr 6 Leavers' Performance	6.00pm - 7.30pm
16.07.25	Yr 6 Leavers' Performance for toddlers to attend	5.00pm - 6.30pm
17.07.25	SU Yr 6 Leavers' Assembly	9.30am-10.30am
21.07.25	Year 6 Leavers' Party	7.00pm - 9.00pm
22.07.25	Mainstream Yr 6 Leavers' Assembly	10.00 - 11.00am

AUTUMN ATHLETICS

COURSE



Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club are pleased to announce a new 4-week athletics course for young athletes in Northampton and surrounding areas. It runs from **Saturday September 28th till Saturday 19th October**

This course will give an introduction to the track and field events – running, jumping and throwing and is suitable for all – from total novices to more seasoned athletes – no experience required – just lots of energy. The emphasis will be on fitness, skills and fun with all sessions led by qualified club coaches.

When

Saturday mornings 10-15 -11-30

Where

The sessions will take place at the Moulton College athletics track

Who

The sessions are open to both club and non- club athletes **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY**

Costs

R&N members – free

Non-club athletes – £10 per 4 week block

Ages – MINIMUM AGE is Yr 3 at school (aged 7+) – MAXIMUM is Yr 9 at school

Places are limited and will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.

To register – please complete this google form

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfILmuTPWQJeq-bH8kpAuUkm6QFyLE6dsbQAQBVB3fdXeRL_g/viewform

If you have any further questions about the course or the club, please contact us at:

contactus@rugbyandnorthamptonac.org



FREESTYLE

SPORTS & ARTS

19 YEARS OF HOLIDAY CAMPS ACROSS NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

HALLOWEEN

OCTOBER HOLIDAY CAMPS 2024

DIFFERENT LOCATIONS ACROSS NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

CHILDREN FROM ALL SCHOOLS ARE WELCOME AT EACH CAMP

CAMPS AVAILABLE:

BOOK NOW FOOTBALL, GYMNASTICS & DANCE

BOOK NOW AT WWW.FREESTYLEGROUP.CO.UK

NEW LONGER DAYS AT SOME VENUES
Registrations Between: 8:00am-9:00am
Dismissals between: 4:00pm-5:00pm
Half days available via email