EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

22nd November 2024

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families

Another week has flown by and the children are thriving in their learning. It is also wonderful on my daily walk-arounds to see so many happy faces and smiles from children and staff.

A special welcome to Steve Foster, our new Site Supervisor, who joined us at the beginning of this term. We are thrilled to welcome Steve to our school family and as a previous Site Supervisor, Fire Officer and Health and Safety manager for Homebase he comes with a wealth of experience and knowledge. Please say" 'Hello,' to Steve when you see him manning our school gate every morning!

Special Visitor to Year 6

At the start of this week our Year 6 children had a special Teams call with Chris Mason, who is an English journalist and has been the Political Editor of BBC News since 2022. They had the opportunity to ask him questions and learn all about life as a journalist! Another amazing opportunity for children to consider their future careers and opportunities out there for them whilst also learning more about the world in which they live.

Fun fact - His parents were primary school teachers!

This week saw the return of our Life Education

Life Education and SCARF workshops

Tent where children from across the school got to visit the tent to learn valuable life skills. The tent is a portable pop-up classroom that offers an exciting, stimulating and memorable environment for children to experience Educator-led workshops. Inside Life Space children have an enriching, immersive experience in an environment that includes lighting effects, large screen, technology to help them look inside the human body and find out how it works, immersive and - of course - Harold, the giraffe puppet and his friends.

It is wonderful to have experiences such as these to build on our new PSHE curriculum which we launched this year.



House Assembly

Today saw us deliver our termly House Assembly alongside our newly appointed House Captains. This assembly is always a favourite of ours where we get together to discuss all of the things coming up over the term. We are looking forward to decorating Christmas trees together in the near future. Please encourage your child to wear their house badge. A little reminder of which teachers lead our Houses:

- Whittlewood Mrs Kelly
- Everdon Mrs Halsall and Mrs Linnell
- Harleston- Mrs New
- Salcey Miss Stryjek

Meet our House Captains

We are really pleased to share that these children have been selected to represent their House as House Captain. They will be involved in organising and overseeing such events and representing the school.

E-safety Parent Session 27th November 2024

Have you signed up for our E-safety Parents' Evening yet? This is a really important and valuable information session led by Simon Aston on how to keep your child safe online. Sadly, so many safeguarding and friendship issues happen online and I cannot encourage you enough to attend. Please click this link to sign up.

Dates to be aware of...

Please take note of our Christmas even dates on the bauble poster within this newsletter and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask myself, the school office or your class teacher.

Happy weekend everyone and a little reminder that next Wednesday 27th from 08:45-9:15 is our second Walk in Wednesday with a Christmas theme. Please do come along if you are able to but don't worry if you can't as we always make sure that your child will be involved and included in all activities.

Ms Pennington



SCHOOL TRANSITION INFORMATION

Reception Places September 2025

For children who turn 4 from 1st September 2024 - 31st August 2025

Online Applications close

• 15th January 2025 - Midnight

National Offer Day

• 16th April 2025

Click here to book a tour at East Hunsbury Primary School.

































SU NEWS - ORANGE CLASS

Orange Class ended Autumn 1 with our brilliant assembly with Year 4. The children had worked really hard to learn a dance as well as 3 songs!

We have had a fantastic start back to Autumn 2. In Talk for Writing, we are learning our new text 'Farmer Duck' and have discussed all the hard work farmers do. This has linked in with our Science topic, learning about our bones and muscles. One day, Rebecca was missing and Bony Tony was here instead! The children worked together to label the different bones in his body and have now been learning the scientific names too.

We have started our DT project, researching greenhouses and have decided which plants we would like to grow. Over the next few weeks we are going to try different greenhouse methods to see which is the best environment for our plants.

Rebecca - Orange Class Teacher





BOOK NOW



If your child would like school Christmas lunch, please order on School Grid by 9am on Friday 6th December.

MUFTI FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER



The Friends of EHPS ask you to donate an item to be part of a Christmas Hamper. The hampers will then be raffle prizes. Winning tickets will be drawn at our Christmas Fete on Saturday 7th December 2024.



In exchange for these items, your child can come to school in mufti clothes on Friday 29th November.

Lists will be put up on outside classroom windows for you to sign up. If you don't sign up, please do still bring in something from the list. Please check the sell by dates. *If you donate alcohol* this must be handed to a member of staff by an adult.







Hot Chocolate



Scented Candle



Hand wash





Please talk to your child about how to use a zebra crossing. We have had complaints from local residents about children not using the crossing safely.





EHPS HOUSE POINTS TOTALISER

Whittlewood

This week

Grand total

146 1635



122

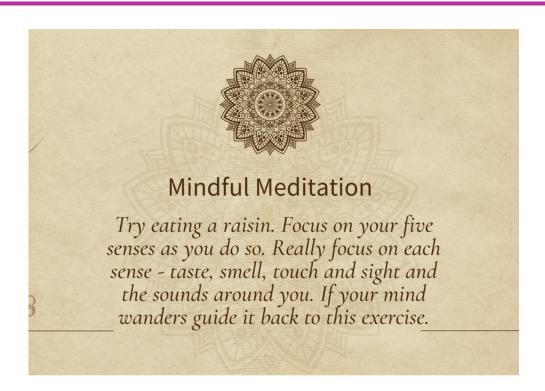
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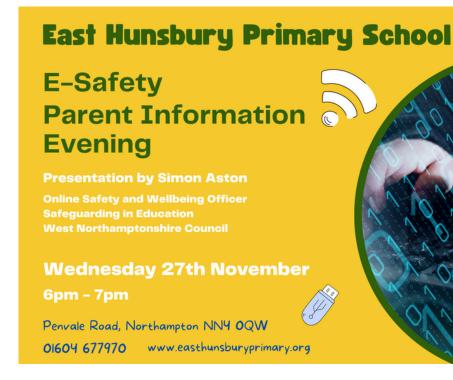


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Click here to book a place

on our Parent E-Safety **Information Evening**

Click here to read more about the speaker Simon Aston.



Changemakers Project Playground

THE CHANGEMAKERS NEED TO RAISE £2,500 BY CHRISTMAS. PLEASE SCAN THE QR TO MAKE A DONATION.

Who works at East Hunsbury Primary School?

Meet the Team

Hello! My name is Danielle Cunnington. I have been at East Hunsbury Primary School for almost 6 years. I started off as a 1:1 TA with one particular child and I'm now a TA in The Nest. I find my job very rewarding because I get see the children progress and grow in confidence.



In May 2024 I did a skydive to raise money for Northampton General Hospital. This is my greatest achievement to date and I raised over £600.

At the weekends, I enjoy walking my dogs, Reggie & Smudge and taking them to explore new places where they love getting wet and muddy.



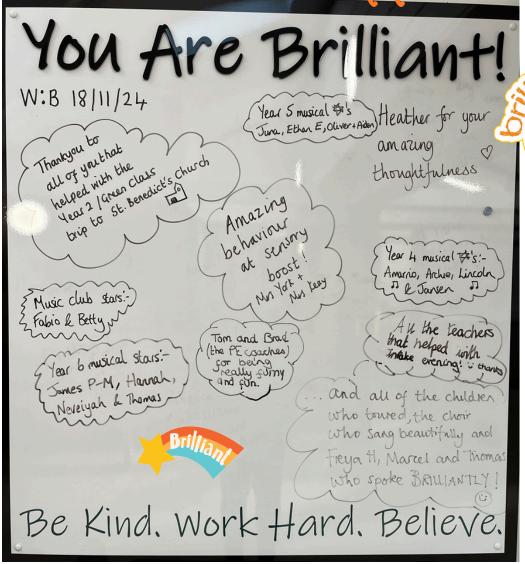






This includes chocolate spreads which contain nuts and sushi which has sesame seeds

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Could you help us make this Christmas special for families in need by donating to The Spring Charity's Present Pick? Your generosity will bring smiles to children and families who might otherwise go without during the festive season. They need new, unwrapped gifts for children of all ages.

Please bring them to the school office anytime before 9am on 9th December



Click here for more information about The Spring Charity





East Hunsbury Primary School



NOVEMBER

Walk in Wednesday Christmas theme 8.30 - 9am



NOVEMBER

Mufti for Christmas **Hampers**

NOVEMBER

Hunsbury Library Festive Fair 11 - 4pm. EHPS Choir singing 2 - 2.30pm

DECEMBER

The Nest to Riverside Hub

DECEMBER

Christmas Fair School Hall 10am - 1pm

DECEMBER

Reception & Blue to West Lodge **Rural Centre** All day

DECEMBER

Nest/SU Silent Disco All day

DECEMBER

Reception Nativity 10 - 11am

2 - 3pm

DECEMBER

Whole school Christmas Party Day with disco. Christmas jumpers and party clothes can be worn. Donations will not be requested.

DECEMBER

Yr 1 Carols by **Twinklelight** 6 - 7pm

DECEMBER

Christmas Lunch

Book on School Grid by 9am on 6th December



DECEMBER

Yr 6 Carols & Crafts with parents

2.30pm - 3.30pm





DECEMBER

Super Special Secret Performance 9am Whole School







Primary School Book Gift Guide 2024 a A a



































































































Non-Fiction Books













Award Winning Books

























For more book lists themed by age group or topic, visit booksfortopics.com

www.booksfortopics.com/gift-guides















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Primary School Book Gift Guide



2024



Recommended for **ages 7-9**



NEW for this Christmas







































Primary School Book Gift Guide 2024

















Recommended Bedtime Stories



























































Gorgeous Gift Books











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Glorious Graphic Novels











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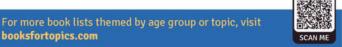












Attendance News

Whole school average attendance this week was

95.61%

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

	Weekly Attendance	Year Group	Weekly Attendance
Reception	94.68%	1	97.83%
2	92.92%	3	96.64%
4	95.09%	5	94.50%
6	97.20%		

Walk in Wednesday dates

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

BE KIND



E-Safety & Wellbeing





10 Top Tips

1

Use a prepay card

2

Encourage saving

3

Paying for chores

4

Telling "need" from "want"

Click here for more information

What are the risks?

1

Age inappropriate content

2

Dangerous challenges

3

Contact with strangers



Addictive nature

Click here for more information



VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE ONLINE SAFETY INFORMATION



Date	Activity	Time		
	NOVEMBER			
27.11.24	Walk In Wednesday Christmas	8.30am - 9.00am		
27.11.24	Yr 4 Ukuele Performance to parents	2.45pm - 3.15pm		
27.11.24	Simon Aston E-Safety Talk for Families	6.00pm - 7.00pm		
29.11.24	FEHPS Mufti for Christmas Hampers	All Day		
30.11.24	Choir Singing at Hunsbury Festive Fair at Hunsbury Library	2.00 - 2.30pm		
	DECEMBER			
02.12.24	Yr 4 Multiplication Check information meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm		
04.12.24	The Nest to Riverside Hub			
06.12.24	Deadline to book Christmas Lunch on School Grid	9am		
07.12.24	Christmas Fete	10am - 1pm		
10.12.24	Reception and Blue to West Lodge Farm	All day		
13.12.24	Year 2 & Green Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am		
16.12.24	Reception Nativity	10.00 - 11.00am 2.00 - 3.00pm		
17.12.24	Year 1 Carols by Twinklelight	6.00pm - 7.00pm		
17.12.24	Christmas Party Day (Christmas Jumpers and Lunch)	All Day		
18.12.24	Year 6 & Red Christmas Carols & Crafts	2.30 - 3.30pm		

JANUARY			
16.01.25	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	
29.01.25	Yr 3 trip to Oxford Museum of Natural History	All day	
	FEBRUARY		
03.02 - 07.02.25	Childrens' Mental Health Week		
07.02.25	FEHPS Family Bingo Night	5.30pm - 7.30pm	
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		
21.03.25	Chocolate Mufti	All day	
21.03.25	Odd Socks Day for World Downs Syndrome Day		

28.03.25	Year 1 Class Assembly	9.30am-10.30am	
29.03.25	Easter Cafe	11.00am-1.00pm	
	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
16.06.25	Class photographs	All day
18.06.25	Walk In Wednesday Science	8.30am - 9.00am
25.06.25	Yr 4 to National Gallery	All day
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	
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	

THURSDAY

ou want to do

this month

of new things

Make a list

new way of Try out a

being physically active

activity or idea

Plan a new

Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint,

you want to try

out this week

and notice how

activity or online

November

community

a new course,

Sign up to join

routine today

your normal

Change

playful outdoors Do something explore, relax - walk, run, 13

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Choose a

Find out

about someone you care about

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ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

FRIDAY

SUNDAY

SATURDAY Respond to a difficult

and observe

Get outside

Be curious. in nature eel you can't do situation in a different way When you

new topic or an Learn about a inspiring idea something, add the word "yet" Look at

care and be kind Try a new way to practice sel[·] to yourself someone else's

life through

new ideas by

Build on

and what if...

their perspective

eyes and see

learned recently

