

3rd April 2019

East Hunsbury Primary School



Newsletter

Message from the Headteacher



Earlier this month I had the opportunity to see the wonderful work that the pupils in 5PF have been working on alongside the Royal Shakespeare Company. EHPS, as well as the other NPAT schools, have been busy creating and performing their version of Romeo & Juliet. This culminated in the children performing live on stage at the Royal & Derngate Theatre on Monday 18th March 2019. It was fabulous to see so many parents attending the performance and all the children did an amazing job! Well done to all involved and a special thank you to Mr Peter Fairbrother, Year 5 Teacher and Sam Biddulph for her brilliant choreography skills! It was a truly wonderful experience and one that the children will remember for many, many years to come.

As the latter part of the Spring Term closes in, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support. This is following a very successful Easter Community Café & Raffle when so many of you attended & supported the FEHPS in their latest fund raising venture. Thank you for supporting the FEHPS in raising much needed funds for our school – with school funding being a hot topic nationally, I appreciate the level of support we have from our wider school community. The FEHPS do an amazing job at fundraising, with every penny raised being re-invested back into our school.

School closes for the current term on Friday 5th April at 3.30pm and I wish you all a restful Easter break - we look forward to welcoming you back to school on Wednesday 24th April 2019. The summer terms will be packed full of exciting events, with an emphasis of teaching Science Outside the Classroom (SOTC), Statutory Assessment Tests in Years 2 and 6, Residential and Day trips galore and much more!

Rita Arundel

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Teaching & Learning Parent Evenings

Thank you for attending our Parent Evenings (TLC's) in such great numbers. Your support for your child's learning is so important to their progress. Thank you for your engagement.



Red Nose Day 2019

At the beginning of the school year, the newly formed school parliament decided on which charities they would like the school to support throughout the year.

One of those charities was Comic Relief. On Friday 15th March, the school was awash with Red Noses, crazy hair, red clothing and various character outfits. Even Mrs Arundel was spotted throughout the day wearing not one, not two, but three different crazy hairstyles, all for an amazing cause.

Through your donations, the school raised a staggering £1078.00! This money will help to support vulnerable people and communities in the UK and internationally, with a vision of creating a just world free from poverty.



Take One Picture Project

Next term, the children in Year 4 will be taking part in the National Gallery's Take One Picture event. This event uses a painting from the gallery's collection to inspire work across the curriculum - the painting is 'Men of the Docks' by George Bellows. The children will investigate the artwork and learn how to write a critique. All children will create a piece of artwork inspired by the theme of the painting.

On Wednesday 5th June 2019 the children will be visiting The National Gallery in London, to view the George Bellows painting up close. The children will have an opportunity to critique other paintings led by gallery staff. Having had the teacher training ourselves with the gallery, it is sure to be a memory making day.

An exhibition of the children's completed work will be displayed in school and online in the summer term.

This project is being done with all Year 4 children across 10 schools in the Northampton Primary Academy Trust (NPAT). This is a total of 550 children! This is the first time that the National Gallery has engaged with a trust of our size with Take One Picture, their flagship project. As a trust we are proud to be working with prestigious organisations like the National Gallery who are supporting us in delivering our vision of providing excellent arts education to all our children.

Alongside the Take One Picture event, The National Gallery has commissioned a University of Northampton team to carry out research about the programme. The research team will gather the views of NPAT Year 4 children and their teachers about their experiences of this event.

The Year 4 children have been invited to take part in this research, which will take place on a normal day at school. Parental consent is required, therefore should you wish your child to participate in the Research Project, please ensure that you have completed the National Gallery consent form no later than Friday 5th April 2019.

U Dance Competition Winners!

Most of you will be aware that every Thursday morning at 8.00am, Freestyle uDance hold a before school club for children in Year 1 & upwards. During the February half-term holiday, some of our regular dancers were invited to participate in a uDance competition. 9 pupils from EHPS took part, competing against 7 other schools and we were delighted to hear that EHPS were placed in 1st place! The trophy opposite was presented to some of the children during one of our celebration assemblies – well done to all that took part!



Digital Guide for Parents



To keep you up to date with current digital issues, we will be sending home a 'Digital Parenting' booklet, from Parent Zone. It is a useful guide to help your family live a better digital life.

Year 2 SATs Information Evening

On Thursday 25th April 2019 at 6pm, Year 2 will be holding an informal parent information evening about the upcoming SATs (Standard Attainment Tests). These are national statutory tests that will take place within the month of May 2019. It is an opportunity to find out more and to ask any questions you may have. We would encourage you to attend if possible as it provides you with ideas of how to support your child at home. To book a place at this event, please click on the link below and Register your interest.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/year-2-sats-information-evening-tickets-59328907359>

Class Photo Day



The School Photographer will be in School on Friday 17th May 2019. Please ensure your child attends in the proper school uniform. Class photos will be taken - no individual photos will be taken. Photos will be available to purchase and will arrive before the end of the Summer term.

Don't forget...our school website is a great tool for you to access school resources, recent communications, the school calendar, term dates, download useful information and much more!

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Book Fair Thank You

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the children and parents that attended the book fair last week and made it an amazing fund raising event! Thank you also goes to Mrs Jones and Mrs Camplisson for their help over the two evenings.

The grand total of books sold amounted to: **£1070.00**
Which means that the library receives a total commission in books amounting to: **£642.00**

This is fantastic – thank you everyone!

Silhouette Theatre

Reminder - As part of the NPAT collaboration with the Royal Shakespeare Company, the Silhouette Youth Theatre Company is visiting EHPS on **Thursday 4th April 2019** to share their performance of “Romeo and Juliet” with pupils in Year 5, Year 6, Red and Yellow classes. To help fund this visit, we would appreciate a voluntary contribution of £2 per child. Thank you.

Year 6 Residential

Just to advise parents that we plan to hold a parent meeting regarding the forthcoming Year 6 residential on Tuesday 21st May 2019 at 3.45pm.

SU Residential

Following the recent news that Grendon Hall will be closing, we have been looking for a different venue for our Red and Yellow Class Residential. We are really pleased to have found an alternative option – Kings Park Conference & Sports Centre. If you would like your child to attend, can we ask that you pay a deposit via your ParentPay account no later than 5th April 2019.

Year 3 Saints Activity Days

We were very lucky to be approached by the Study Centre at Northampton Saints with an offer of 2 Activity Days for our Year 3 pupils. Each class attended the Saints on separate dates in March, where they experienced team building games, a stadium tour and a tag rugby session. Everyone had a great day and the feedback from the Saints afterwards was that EHPS ‘have such lovely children and staff.’



Many thanks to Pete Austen and the team at the Study Centre for this wonderful opportunity!

FEHPS Update

Thank you to everyone that supported the recent Disco. All the children had a great time and your contributions have helped us to raise £479.05.

Also, thank you to everyone that attended the recent Easter Café & Raffle in such great numbers – we hope to give you a final fundraising figure after the Easter holiday.

Useful Information

To Report an Absence please telephone 01604 677971 or email absence@easthunsburyprimary.org stating your child's name, class and reason for absence.

Doors Open to Pupils at 8.45am. Registration at 8.55am. The school is not responsible for pupils on the school grounds prior to 8.45am.
Mainstream Lunchtime: 12.15pm - 1.15pm, SU Lunchtime 12.00pm - 1.10pm - For insurance purposes, pupils **cannot** be dropped at school during the lunch hour.

NPAT

East Hunsbury Primary School is now part of the Northampton Primary Academy Trust (NPAT)



No Nuts

Serious Allergy Reminder - no nut products, **including Nutella**, are allowed in school for snack or in packed lunches due to some pupils having serious nut allergies. Thank you.



SCHOOL TERM DATES

SEPTEMBER 2018 – JULY 2019

EASTER:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM BANK HOLIDAY BANK HOLIDAY <u>SCHOOL TRAINING DAY</u> RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	FRIDAY 5th APRIL FRIDAY 19th APRIL MONDAY 22nd APRIL <u>TUESDAY 23rd APRIL</u> WEDNESDAY 24th APRIL
MAY DAY:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM MAY BANK HOLIDAY RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	FRIDAY 3rd MAY MONDAY 6th MAY TUESDAY 7th MAY
SUMMER HALF TERM:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM SPRING BANK HOLIDAY RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	FRIDAY 24th MAY MONDAY 27th MAY MONDAY 3rd JUNE
SUMMER 2019:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM	WEDNESDAY 24th JULY

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SEPTEMBER 2019 – JULY 2020

AUTUMN 2019:	<u>SCHOOL TRAINING DAY</u> <u>SCHOOL TRAINING DAY</u> RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	<u>MONDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER</u> <u>TUESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER</u> WEDNESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER
AUTUMN HALF TERM:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM <u>SCHOOL TRAINING DAY</u> RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	FRIDAY 25 th OCTOBER <u>MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER</u> TUESDAY 5th NOVEMBER
CHRISTMAS 2019:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM <u>SCHOOL TRAINING DAY</u> RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	FRIDAY 20 th DECEMBER <u>FRIDAY 3rd JANUARY 2020</u> MONDAY 6th JANUARY 2020
SPRING HALF TERM:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM <u>SCHOOL TRAINING DAY</u> RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	FRIDAY 14 th FEBRUARY <u>MONDAY 24th FEBRUARY</u> TUESDAY 25th FEBRUARY
EASTER:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM BANK HOLIDAY BANK HOLIDAY RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	FRIDAY 3 rd APRIL FRIDAY 10 th APRIL MONDAY 13 th APRIL MONDAY 20th APRIL
MAY DAY:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM MAY BANK HOLIDAY RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	FRIDAY 1 st MAY MONDAY 4 th MAY TUESDAY 5th MAY
SUMMER HALF TERM:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM SPRING BANK HOLIDAY RE-OPEN TO PUPILS	FRIDAY 22 nd MAY MONDAY 25 th MAY MONDAY 1st JUNE
SUMMER 2020:	SCHOOL CLOSURES 3.30PM	FRIDAY 17 th JULY

Due to a change in legislation, schools cannot authorise any holidays in term time. Penalties may apply.