

EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

19th December 2025

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families

Reminder: Please ensure that you set parental controls and limit screen time on digital devices (I know I keep mentioning but it is so important!)

Reflection

As we reach the end of the autumn term, I want to take a moment to reflect on what a truly fantastic few months it has been. From exciting trips and residential to brilliant learning opportunities across the school, our children have embraced every moment with enthusiasm and curiosity. Our community events, including the Spooktacular and our Christmas Fete, have shown once again that we are more than just a school – we are a vibrant, kind and supportive community.

Join Our Governing Body – Parent Governor Needed

Next term, we will be holding an election for a new Parent Governor to join our governing body. We will share more details in January, but we are particularly keen to hear from any parents with expertise in buildings, maintenance and/or finance. If this sounds like you - or someone you know - please do keep an eye out for further information.

End-of-Term Reports & Attendance Reminder

Children's reports have gone out this week. If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything in more detail, please speak to your child's class teacher.

We pride ourselves on keeping you well informed about your child's progress.

However, a key part of helping them achieve their full potential is ensuring they attend school every day and arrive on time. **We kindly ask that children arrive by 8:30am, ready for the day ahead. Lesson 1 begins promptly at 8:45am, so children should not be arriving at this time.**

Carols by Twinkle Light – A Magical Evening

On Tuesday, we enjoyed our magical Carols by Twinkle Light. Thank you to everyone who joined us - it was a beautiful, heart-warming event that really captured the spirit of the season. The children were absolutely amazing and thank you to our wonderful Year 1 team for organising such a special evening.

Walk-in Wednesday & Christmas Crafts

Wednesday was our festive Walk-in Wednesday, where families joined their children for some wonderfully creative Christmas crafting. Thank you to all who were able to attend. It was fantastic to see so many imaginative, sparkly and colourful creations taking shape in classrooms across the school!



Year 6 & Yellow Class – Carols & Crafts

Also on Wednesday, Year 6 and Yellow Class held their brilliant Carols & Crafts workshop. Families enjoyed hearing the children sing beautifully and getting stuck into making decorations for their Christmas trees. There was a lovely, festive atmosphere.



Party Day Success!

Thursday was PARTY DAY and what a day it was! From disco fun to games and giggles, the children had an unforgettable time. We even had a very special visit from Father Christmas himself, who brought along some super special presents. Huge thanks to FEHPS for helping make the day so memorable and possible. The array of Christmas jumpers on show was an added Christmassy treat!



Celebration Assembly – Ending the Week with Pride

Today we ended the week with our Celebration Assembly, which is always a privilege to lead. Well done to all the children who received a certificate, star or medal. Our Proud Points system is hugely important to us - it recognises not just achievement but kindness, effort and doing the right thing every day. It is wonderful to see the children wear their stars with pride and post their golden tickets with big smiles.

A Very Special Staff Panto!

To top off the week, the children were treated to a very special staff pantomime – Peter Pancake, Captain Cook and the Christmas Star! From laughter to surprises, the performance brought absolute joy to the hall. A heartfelt thank you to all staff involved for giving up their time and energy to create magical memories for the children. As Headteacher, I am truly lucky to lead such an exceptional team who always, always put your children at the centre of everything they do.



The Snow Fairy and Peter Pan



Elf, Pirate, John Darling, Lost Boys, Michael Darling, Wendy



Captain Cook and Grumpy the Elf



Tinkerbell, the Christmas Star, Mrs Christmas



Nana the Dog



Pirates and Captain Cook



Ugly sisters and narrator



Pirate, Elf, Christmas Star



Christmas Wishes & Start of Spring Term

As we head into the Christmas break, I want to thank all of our families for your continued support, encouragement and partnership this term. Please note that Monday 5th January is a staff training day, so children will return to school on Tuesday 6th January.

During the break, please be mindful if contacting staff as this is an important time for them to rest and spend time with their families.

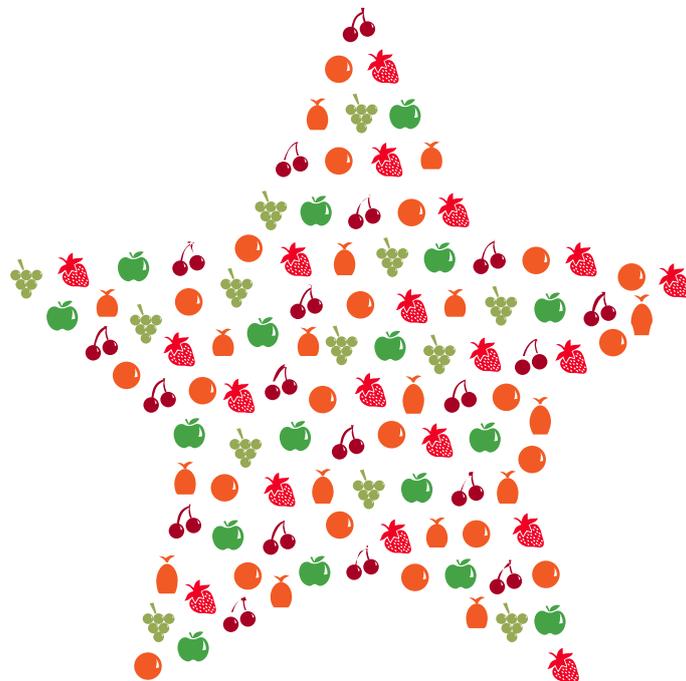
Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

We look forward to welcoming you back in 2025!

Right... I am off to find the mince pies 😊

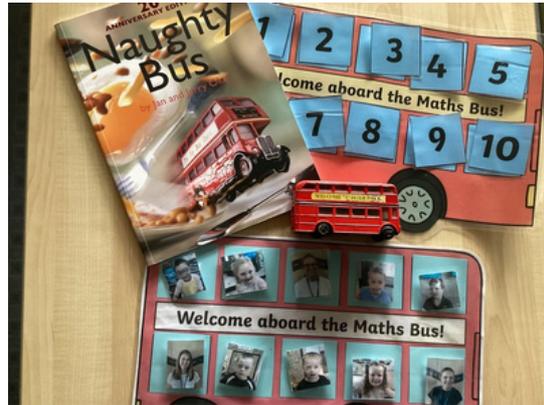
Ms Pennington

MERRY Christmas



The Hive News - BLUE CLASS

This half term Blue Class have been immersing themselves in our Talk for Writing text, The Naughty Bus. We have had great fun driving our own little bus through beans and muddy puddles, followed by carefully washing the bus clean in lots of bubbly water. The children have explored positional language using both the bus and themselves and everyone had a chance to take the little home for the evening. We were amazed by the adventures the bus got up to and the children were very excited to share their photographs with the class.



At the beginning of December, we joined our friends in Reception for a trip to West Lodge Farm and this definitely made us all feel very festive. It was a day filled with wonderful Christmassy experiences and we were lucky enough to take part in Nativity performance, set in a stable with real donkeys and goats. This really brought our learning to life and helped us make connections with what we had been learning in school. We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas together.

Rachael and the Blue Class Team

EHPS HOUSE POINTS TOTALISER

	Whittlewood	Harlestone	Everdon	Salcey
This week	181	181	172	161
Grand total	2811	2712	2414	2345

December 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.

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MUSIC AWARDS

Blue class – Rosie	
RFLRS – Aadhya	
RAM – Kieran	4CH – Lenka
1LK – Luna	4AG – Isla
1MC – Kieran	5BC – Archie
2DW – Conall	5KR – Olivia
2HD – Betty	6CL – Ronnie
3AP – Erin	6AK – Noah
3CW – Hannah A	



COMMUNITY CUP WINNERS

Children and staff nominate someone in their class for being brilliant. It can be for anything that they have been spotted doing and should be recognised for.

The Nest - Conor
RAM - Patricia
RFLRS - Aadhya
1MC- Betty
1LK - Chloe
2DW - Bella
2HD - Laila

3CW - Clara
3AP - Arya
4CH - Aahana
4AG - Sasha
5KR - Luisa
5BC - Rion

6AK - Abigail
6CL - Aiden
KS1 The Hive - Cillian
KS2 - The Hive - Harley

Lip Balm & Hand Cream

It has come to our attention that an increasing amount of children are bringing lip balms/lip glosses and hand cream into school. Sometimes the children are sharing these or they are becoming a distraction in class.

Please note that cosmetics are not allowed in school at any time but if your child is experiencing very sore or dry lips/hands then they may bring in a plain lip balm/hand cream (clearly marked with your child's name) which must be handed into the teacher to look after. It can then be applied at break times. If your child needs stronger medication for a cold sore etc then you will need to hand this to the school office and fill out the appropriate forms.

Thank you for your support.



Books make GREAT Christmas presents



EHPs 100 READS



How many have you read?

Print the list and tick them off every time you finish one.

Show your completed list to Mrs De Chastelain to get your EHPs 100 Reads badge.

Each Peach Pear Plum by Janet and Allan Ahlberg	The Snowman by Raymond Briggs	We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury	The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter	Orion Lost by Anastair Chisholm	The Wild Robot by Peter Brown	Skylark's War by Hilary McKay	Look Up by Nathan Bryon	Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl	Can you see me? By Libby Scott
The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss	The Jolly Postman by Janet and Allan Ahlberg	The Story of Tracy Beaker by Jacqueline Wilson	The Last Bear by Hannah Gold	Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets by JK Rowling	Nevermoor by Jessica Townsend	When the Sky Falls by Phil Earle	Invisible by Tom Percival	The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe C. S. Lewis	Grim Fairy Tales by Philip Pullman
Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak	The Storm Whale by Benji Davis	Where, Oh Where is Kipper's Bear? Mick Inkpen	A Bear called Paddington by Michael Bond	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl	Flour Babies by Anne Fine	The Hobbit by JRR Tolkien	A First Book of Nature by Nicola Davis	Charlotte's Web by EB White	Tom's Midnight Garden by Philippa Pearce
The Tiger who Came to Tea by Judith Kerr	Not Now, Bernard by David McKee	Here We Are by Oliver Jeffers	The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomkinson	Winnie-the-Pooh by A. A. Milne	The Truth Pixie by Matt Haig	Mortal Engines by Philip Reeve	High Rise Mystery by Sharna Jackson	The Borrowers by Mary Norton	Podkin One Ear by Kieran Larwood
When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr	Elmer by David McKee	Bog Baby by Jeanne Willis	War Horse by Michael Morpurgo	The Wolves of Willoughby Chase by Joan Aiken	The Iron Man by Ted Hughes	The Island at the End of Everything by Kiran Millwood Hargrave	The Boy at the back of the class by Onjali Rauf	Watership Down by Richard Adams	Rain before rainbows by Serris Halls and David Litchfield
The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle	Mixed by Aree Chung	Mr Gumpy's Outing John Burningham	The Sheep-Pig by Dick King-Smith	Stig of the Dump by Clive King	The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame	Phoenix by SF Said	The Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho Yen	The Unadoptables by Hans Tooke	Wolf Brother by Michelle Paver
Paper Dolls by Julia Donaldson	Where's Spot? By Eric Hill	The Worst Witch by Jill Murphy	Street Child by Bertie Doherty	The Goosebumps series by R. L. Stine and/or The Aveline Jones Series by Phil Hickey	The Boy and a Bear in a Boat by Dave Shelton	Cogheart by Peter Bunzl	The Enchanted Wood by Enid Blyton	Orphans of the Tide by Struan Murray	No Ballet Shoes in Syria by Catherine Bruton
Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy by Lynley Dodd	Handa's Surprise by Eileen Browne	Beegu by Alexis Deacon	Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo	Hs Dark Materials trilogy by Philip Pullman	A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket	Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson	Where the River Runs Gold by Sita Bramachari	Cloud Busting by Malorie Blackman	The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse by Charlie Mackesy
Dogger by Shirley Hughes	The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson	The Arrival by Shaun Tan	The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad	Holes by Louis Sachar	Stormbreaker series by Anthony Horowitz	The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman	Who Let the Gods Out? by Max Evans	Wonder by R. J. Palacio	The New Free Man by Terry Pratchett
The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds	Grassies Can't Dance by Giles Andree and Guy Parker-Rees	Owl Babies by Martin Waddell	The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo	Skellig by David Almond	Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer	Letters from the Lighthouse by Emma Carroll	Asha and the Spirit Bird by Jasbinder Bilan	The Murderer's Ape by Jakob Wegelius	The Girl Who Stole an Elephant by Nizrana Farook



Walk in Wednesday dates

21.01.26	Walk in Wednesday 3 - Reading	08:30-9:00	Classroom
11.03.26	Walk in Wednesday 4 - Easter Crafts	08:30-9:00	Classroom
29.04.26	Walk in Wednesday 5 - Reading	08:30-9:00	Classroom
24.06.26	Walk in Wednesday 6 - Science	08:30-9:00	Classroom



READING Newsletter

[Click here](#)

to download the Autumn Edition of our Reading Newsletter



OUR FUTURE LEADERS House Captains

The role of a House Captain is to

- Act as role model for all students
- Demonstrate excellent behaviour
- Encourage teamwork and a sense of belonging
- Represent our school at formal or official events



Our House Captains are: Sophie Harley Noah Ollie Wyatt Clara
Matteo Polly Isaac Olivia Lexie Kaiden



No Dogs (except guide dogs) are allowed on the school site even if they are being carried. Please do not tie them up outside the gate.



Do you have any unwanted wellies and outdoor waterproof coats that your children have outgrown, ages 4 - 11 years.

Please leave any donations, in a bag, by the bench in the Year 4 courtyard. Any queries, please contact Julia Fenton, Assistant Headteacher.



CENSUS DAY - Thursday 15th January



If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or 2 (mainstream or SU), it would help the school if you could **order a school meal for 15th January** which is Census Day. The school census is vital for helping education authorities determine what kinds of support a school needs and how many children take up a school meal is really important. Part of our school budget is decided on how many infant lunches are ordered. We understand if your child wants to bring a packed lunch as well. The theme is "American Diner Day".

Smart Phone Consultation



[Click here to have your say.](#)

West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) is inviting the public – including all interested parties and, in particular, young people, parents, carers, and professionals working with children – to take part in a consultation on the use of smartphones and smart devices in educational settings.

The consultation will close on Saturday
31st January 2026 at 11.59pm

CAN YOU HELP?

WE NEED ITEMS FOR OUR OPAL PROJECT TO IMPROVE PLAYTIMES

These items include:

- cable drums
- wooden pallets
- sturdy plastic crates, bins or boxes (any size)
- planks of wood (ideally without splinters)
- guttering/water pipes
- used tyres (can anyone donate a tractor tyre?)

Times for dropping off are:

8.30am – 8.45am or

3.30pm - 3.45pm

Please drop any items off in
the courtyard outside year 4

If you have any queries or questions, please contact Julia Fenton, Assistant Head, at the school.

Attendance News

Whole school average attendance this week was

94.97%

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

	Weekly Attendance	Year Group	Weekly Attendance
Reception	92.54%	1	94.29%
2	95.13%	3	95.03%
4	96.53%	5	95.54%
6	95.68%		



REMINDER

ALL SNACKS MUST BE NUT FREE





West Northamptonshire Council

Apply for a school place

Is your child's 4th birthday on or before 31 August 2026?



It's time to apply for a reception place

Application Deadline: midnight on 15 January 2026



westnorthants.gov.uk/school-admissions

Reception Places September 2026

- 10th September 2025 Online Applications open
- 15th January 2026 - Midnight Online Applications close
- 16th April 2026 National Offer Day

[Click here to book](#) a tour at East Hunsbury Primary School.

Year 6 to Year 7 Transition

- 10th September 2025 Online Applications open
- 31st October 2025 - Midnight Online Applications close
- 2nd March 2026 National Offer Day



WE NEED YOUR TOKENS!!!
YOU CAN VOTE UNTIL
31st December 2025

We're delighted that our application to the Tesco Community Grants Scheme has been successful! You will need to make a purchase of any value in a TESCO store and add the blue token to the Community Grant Scheme box in the Tesco store. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token. **The project with the highest number of blue token votes across our region will receive £1,500, the second placed project £1,000, and the third placed project £500.** We will be putting the money we are awarded towards the Changemakers quiet shaded area on the playground.



You can vote for EHPS in the following TESCO stores:

- Abington Express, 348 Wellingborough Rd NN1 4EX
- East Hunsbury Express, Butts Rd, NN4 0UE
- Northampton South, Clannell Rd, NN4 0JF
- Northampton 13-15 Abington St, NN1 2AN
- Northampton St Edmunds Express,
- Portland Pl, Wellingborough Rd, NN1 4DR



VISIT OUR [FACEBOOK PAGE](#) TO SEE OUR [BOOK ADVENT CALENDAR](#)

All through December, leading up to Christmas Day, we will post a book which has a wonderful Winter or seasonal theme.



Who's been brilliant this week?

You Are Brilliant!

WB 15/12/25

Lexie in
GAK for her
kindness at lunch time.
Thank you -
Ms York ☺

The Lunch Service Team (LTS)
for an amazing Christmas
Dinner. The children
loved it. Thank you
Kim, for organising and sorting
the Christmas Hampers for
the community! Plus the
kindness Ambassadors and
the NESTIES for making and
writing Christmas cards to
go with them!

Mrs Fenton for
organising the House
Paper chain event!

Y2 - walk in Wednesday

The NEST team
for being amazing!

* Mrs Robinsons *
* YR 5 class *

* You are superstars *

Mrs Green for
always being wonderful,
Helpful, kind + caring!

Year 6 and the Hive
for a magnificent
Carols and Crafts
Wow, blown away!

* Year 1 *
* for twinkling *
* brightly! *
* * * *

Everyone in Everdon
for helping each
other to make an
amazing paper chain!

Kindness shoutouts

Kim
Juliet
Mia
Mrs pennigbon
penny
Bella
Ms Hammond
Maks
Miss Melnyre
Mrs Gebhard
Mrs Landeman
Emma
Lara

Be Kind. Work Hard. Believe.



Mufti Days

13.03.26	Donations for Chocolate Hampers	
20.03.26	Wear odd socks for World Down Syndrome Day	No charge
27.03.26	Autism Awareness Day - Wear Bright Colours	No charge
21.05.26	UN Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development – wear something/colours which reflects your culture	No charge
16.07.26	Mufti for winning House (winning House announced on 13 th July)	No charge

How many have you completed? Have you started a scrapbook to document your activities?





E-Safety & Wellbeing



Top Tips for SETTING UP PARENTAL CONTROLS ON NEW DEVICES

In children's eagerness to start enjoying new digital gadgets immediately, it can be easy to overlook setting up the type of parental controls that can help to protect them online. If you don't sort these out from the very start, it can be an uphill battle – technologically and psychologically – to impose such controls later. Here's our rundown of what to look for when setting up the various internet-enabled devices that might be lurking under the tree at this time of year.

IPHONE

If your child's lucky enough to be getting their own iPhone, parental controls can help avoid issues like screen lockouts and unavailable content. Go into the settings and scroll down to 'Screen Time', from here you can customise important settings including time limits on using the device, communication restrictions and content blockers. You can also lock your changes behind a passcode.

ANDROID

With Android devices, Google's Family Link app is your friend. You'll need a Google account – and a separate one for your child, which you should use when first setting up the device. Then, in Family Link on your own device, select 'Add Child' and enter their account details. This lets you specify limits on daily usage, restrict certain apps, block particular content and more.

PLAYSTATION

You can prep for a Playstation before it's even unboxed. At any account, create an account, then go to Account Management > Family Management > Add Family Member to set up your child's account, which you'll use to sign in on the console. You can restrict the age ratings of the games you can play and who they can talk to. On PS5, you can make exceptions for any games you think are acceptable despite their high age rating.

IPAD

iPad parental controls are identical to those on iPhones. However, if you've got a shared family iPad and want to ensure your children aren't seeing anything age-inappropriate after you hand them the device, there's a feature called Guided Access (under Settings > Accessibility > Guided Access). With this switched on, young ones can only use the app that's currently open.

XBOX

The Xbox Family Settings app helps you manage which games your child can play (and when). You'll need to set up the account with your own account and then add a child profile. Make sure your account's password protected, so your child can't enter your choices here. You'll be walked through the functions of help, but you can also search them manually via Settings > Account > Family Settings.

NINTENDO SWITCH

Download the Nintendo Switch Parental Controls app on your phone, and you'll be shown how to link it to the console. Once that's done, you can limit how long your child can play each day, decide what age ratings are permitted and more. You'll also get weekly updates on how often they've used the device. These controls are accessible through the console itself, but the app is usually easier.

WINDOWS 11 PCS

On Windows 11, account management is key. Set up the device with your own account as the admin. Then go to Settings > Accounts > Family and Other users and create your child's account (if you've already done this on a previous PC, just log in with those details). Microsoft Family Safety (either the app or the site) then lets you control screen time, what content children can view and more.

CHROMEBOOKS

Chromebook's parental controls are managed via the Family Link app. Unlike on Android devices, however, you need set up the Chromebook with your own account first, then add your child's. Go to Settings > People > Add Person and input your child's Google account details (or create a new account). Your child can then log in, and you can monitor what they're up to via Family Link.

MACS

Like iPhones, parental controls for Macs are managed via the Screen Time settings. Again, the crux here is to set yourself up as the administrator before adding any child accounts. In the settings, look for Users & Groups to create your child's account on your Mac, while on their profile – use the screen time options to place any boundaries on apps, usage and who your child can communicate with (and vice versa).

SMART TVS

Smart TVs typically have their own individual parental controls. One of the most popular brands is Samsung – and on their TVs, you can restrict the content available to your child. In the Settings menu, under 'Broadcasting', you can lock channels and restrict content by its age rating. Even this isn't foolproof, however – some apps (like YouTube) might still let children access unavailable content.

Top tips for



1 iPhone



2 Android



3 Nintendo



4 Playstation / Xbox

[Click here for more information](#)

Top Tips



1 Work together



2 Agree on consequences



3 Charging and overnight storage



4 Know all passwords

[Click here for more information](#)

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators CREATING FAMILY RULES FOR USING DEVICES

A set of family rules agreed on with children can promote the safe, responsible use of devices like tablets, smartphones, gaming consoles and computers. By developing rules around technology, it opens the conversation regarding boundaries and expectations, ensuring a healthy balance of screen-time. This guide will help you to develop an age-appropriate family agreement to suit your household.

- 1 WORK TOGETHER**
Collaborating with children when setting rules that can engage them to take more ownership. It's important to make rules which reflect your family and are age appropriate. Think about what you all agree doing online and what apps, games or devices children use most frequently.
- 2 AGREE TIME LIMITS AND SUITABLE TIMES**
Be realistic when setting screen time limits. There can vary depending on the child's age, whether it's a weekday or weekend, and what they're actually doing online. If they're completing homework for example, that might require more time than if they were just playing a game. Consider when screen time begins/ends if it comes after chores and homework. Agree times when technology and phones must be put away.
- 3 ENCOURAGE HONESTY**
Family rules ensure that everyone can have fun with their devices and be safe while doing so. However, children may make mistakes or be tempted to bypass the entire system. Emphasise that if they ever feel worried, unsafe or upset about something they've done, sent, said or received, they should tell you immediately so you can help resolve the problem.
- 4 CHARGING AND OVERNIGHT STORAGE**
To ensure children get the downtime they need overnight, it's important that devices – especially smartphones – are kept in a common space, where possible. This reduces the chance of parents 'right' catching a sleep being disturbed by calls, messages or notifications. There are many ways you can purchase, or all gadgets could be charged in the kitchen overnight to avoid disruption.
- 5 REVIEW RULES REGULARLY**
Anything you agree on isn't set in stone, these rules will likely alter as children get older and the way they use technology changes. Take time to review these as a family, discuss what's working, and what isn't. Communication is key – so by doing this, you involve the child in the review and make any adjustments as ages change.
- 6 PROTECT PERSONAL INFO**
Discuss and demonstrate the importance of protecting your personal information. Talk about what details you share online and who with. Use parental controls to block children from connecting with strangers, so that any information they do share is coming from their friends. Use a strict permission system giving any photos of them on social media, or their whereabouts to parents and teachers so that they should trust and remember.
- 7 BE RESPECTFUL**
Highlight the importance of showing respect to others when using technology. Encourage children to speak kindly to others online – such as on social media, when playing multiplayer games or in group chats. Listen to other and themselves if hearing behaviour. Explain that if they aren't treating others respectfully, they might be made to stay away from their devices for a while.
- 8 "NO TECH" ZONES**
Designating spaces in the house as "tech-free" zones isn't just about protecting the sensitive technology but it's also about encouraging children to keep an eye on what children are playing and who they're communicating with. Think of it as a quiet zone – one that is tech-free. It also helps reduce any impact it has on the household, as this can be a common space which is unlikely to be in a common space which is unlikely to be in a common space which is unlikely to be in a common space.
- 9 AGREE ON CONSEQUENCES**
As a family, discuss why the rules are important to everyone and agreeing, to ensure everyone agrees and is committed to them. If these rules are broken, there has to be a consequence of some kind, but this can be a consequence of the rules, not a consequence of the rules. Discuss the consequences of the rules, not the consequences of the rules.
- 10 KNOW ALL PASSWORDS**
To protect children from inappropriate content, parents should have access to all passwords. Parents should also make it clear that they will check children's devices, should they have any concerns about their use. Emphasise that this isn't like a look at your bank in an extra way of keeping them safe.

[VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE ONLINE SAFETY INFORMATION](#)

BE KIND

WORK HARD

BELIEVE

#weareEastHunsburyPrimarySchool #wearebrilliant

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.

Date	Activity	Time
DECEMBER		
19.12.25	END OF TERM	
22.12.25 - 2.01.26	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
JANUARY		
05.01.26	TRAINING DAY	
06.01.26	School reopens to all pupils	
15.01.26	Census Day All Reception, Yr 1 & Yr 2 Book school lunch via School Grid	
15.01.26	Yr 6 SATs Information meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm
20.01.26	Yr 4 Multiplication Check information meeting	3.40pm - 4.40pm
21.01.26	Walk In Wednesday Maths	8.30am - 9.00am
27.01.26	Choir to Young Voices	
30.01.26	Kindness Workshop - 52 Lives	Morning
FEBRUARY		
03.02.26	School of Life	10 - 11.30am

06.02.26	FEHPS Bingo Night	5.30 - 7.30pm
09.02.26	Year 3 & Purple Class Assembly	2.30 - 3.30pm
09.02 - 15.02.26	Childrens' Mental Health Week	
10 & 12.02.26	Year 6 Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 6.30pm
10.02.26	Year 1 Phonics Test Information Meeting	3.30 - 4.30pm
16.02 - 20.02.26	HALF TERM	
23.02.26	School reopens to all pupils	
MARCH		
03.03.026	Yr 4 Trip	All day
4 & 5.03.26	Mainstream Parents' Evening (not Yr 6)	3.50pm - 6.30pm
04.03.26	The Hive & Nest Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 6.50pm
04.03 - 11.03.26	Bookfair	After school
11.03.26	Walk In Wednesday Easter Crafts	8.30am - 9.00am
13.03.26	Mufti Day in exchange for Chocolate	
16.03 - 22.03.26	Neurodiversity Week	
19.03.26	iRock Concert	2.45 - 3.15pm
20.03.26	Odd Socks Day for World Downs Syndrome Day	
21.03.26	Easter Cafe	11.00 - 1.00pm
23.03.26	Year 1 Class Assembly	2.30 - 3.20pm

23 or 24.03.26	Yr 5 Shakespeare Production	
24.03.26	Yr 6 & Yellow Faith Tour	All day
25.03.26	Reports go out to families	
26.03.26	The Hive Show	9.30 - 10.30am
27.03.26	Autism Awareness Day - Wear Bright Colours (No Charge)	All Day
30.03 - 10.04.26	EASTER HOLIDAY	
APRIL		
13.04.26	School reopens to all pupils	
21.04.26	School of Life	10- 11.30
22.04.26	Earth Day	All Day
29.04.26	Walk in Wednesday Reading	8.30 - 9.00am
MAY		
11 - 14.05.26	Yr 6 SATS	Mornings
18.05.26	Year 5 and Yellow Class Assembly	2.30pm - 3.30pm
19.05.26	School of Life	10 - 11.30am
21.05.26	Census Day All Reception, Yr 1 & Yr 2 Book school lunch via School Grid	
21.05.26	UN Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development – wear something/colours which reflects your culture	
25 - 29.05.26	HALF TERM	

JUNE

01.06.26	School reopens to pupils	
01 - 12.06.26	Yr 4 Multiplication Check	
04.06.26	Reception Sports Day	9.30 - 11.00am
08 - 12.06.26	Yr 1 Phonics Check	
10.06.26	SU Sports Morning	9.30 - 11.30am
13.06.26	Northampton Carnival	
16 or 17.06.26	Yr 5 NMPAT Festival	
18.06.26	Year 6 Sports Day	1.30pm - 3.00pm
19.06.26	Class Photos	All Day
22.06.26	Reception & Yr 6 Height & Weight checks	Morning
22.06.26	Sports Day Year 1	9.30 - 11am
22.06.26	Sports Day Year 2	1.30 - 3pm
24.06.26	Walk In Wednesday Science	8.30am - 9.00am

25.06.26	Sports Day Year 3	9.30 - 11.00am
25.06.26	Sports Day Year 4	1.30 - 3.00pm
26.06.26	Careers Fair	TBC
27.06.26	Whole School Summer Fayre (Country dancing & Maypole by Years 2, 5, Purple & Yellow)	11.00 - 1.30pm
29.06 - 02.07.26	Yr 5 Bikeability	
JULY		
29.06 - 02.07.26	Yr 3 Residential Trip	(2 nights per class)
02.07.26	Yr 4 & Orange Class Assembly	2.30 - 3.30pm
03.07.26	Music Gala	5.30pm - 7.30pm
06.07.26	Reception & Blue Class Assembly	2.30 - 3.30pm
09.07.26	Yr 5 Sports Day	1.30 - 3.00pm
09.07.26	iRock Concert	2.45 - 3.15pm
14.07.26	Yr 6 Leavers' Performance	6.00pm - 7.30pm
15.07.26	The Hive Yr 6 Leavers' Assembly	9.30am-10.30am
15.07.26	Yr 6 Leavers' Performance for toddlers to attend	5.00pm - 6.30pm

15.07.26	End of year reports go to families	
16.07.26	Mufti for winning House	
16.07.26	Year 6 Leavers' Party	7.00pm - 9.00pm
17.07.26	Mainstream Yr 6 Leavers' Assembly	10.00 - 11.00am
17.07.26	END OF TERM	

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*Please note these sessions are only available for children and young people residing within the East Hunsbury Parish. You will be asked to supply an eligible postcode to attend.

Families, Fun & Fellowship

Sunday 14th

December

3.30 – 5.00 pm



Christmas gifts
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For all the family

Free event



Family Fun

We are holding an event to have fun, making things, and celebrate Christmas together.

Crafts, story and food, for families with primary aged children plus brothers and sisters.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information please our website or contact:

admin@stbens.uk

Free event

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We are appealing to parents to think twice before buying their children e-scooters as presents this Christmas.

Did you know it is illegal to ride electric scooters on public roads, pavements and cycle lanes.

Police can seize any private scooter if they are being used on a public road or footpath and the rider may also be liable for prosecution for traffic offences.

#knowthelaw

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WNC are working in partnership with Northants Police, Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue and Northamptonshire Safer Road Alliance on a campaign to tackle illegal use of Electric Scooters.

We are appealing to parents to think twice before buying their children e-scooters as presents this Christmas given the inherent dangers in them being driven recklessly and the potential for unintentional law breaking.

We want to highlight the dangers of riding e-scooters illegally on roads, pathways and cycle lanes.

Last year, 47 people were injured in collisions involving e-scooters in Northamptonshire. Please take heed of the safety warnings and the potential for prosecution and avoid buying these vehicles for Christmas.

We understand that buying an e-scooter can be tempting, especially as you can get them from many popular retailers.

However, the current law is clear

You can buy one but you can't ride it on a UK public road, cycle lane or pavement. The only place an e-scooter can be used is on private land.

Why is this?

E-scooters are classified as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEVs), so they are treated as motor vehicles and subject to the same legal requirements, such as:

- MOT
- Licensing
- Tax
- Insurance

Some e-scooters have exceptions to this as part of the government trial but this does not extend to any personal e-scooters.

What happens if I am stopped by Police?



Section 59 of the police reform act allows police to issue a warning if a vehicle is being used in a manner which may cause alarm, distress or annoyance. Being issued with this warning does not stop the e-scooter being seized.

Police can seize any private scooter if they are being used on a public road or footpath and the rider may also be liable for prosecution for traffic offences.

This is also the case for anyone using Voi scooters without a licence or registering with the Voi app as this is what covers you under their insurance.

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Voi are a company that are running a trial of the use of e-scooters in Northampton but will be expanding the use of the scooters across the county.

Voi e-scooters have an exemption as part of the government trial which make them legal for use on the road.

To use a Voi scooter you must:

- Be over 18 AND
- Have a full UK or foreign licence or a UK provisional licence
- Have an account registered with Voi via their website or app
- Only use the e-scooters on roads limited to 30mph (not on pavements) or designated cycle lanes.
- Always have full control of the e-scooter whilst you are riding and not allow yourself to be distracted by other things.

You must not:

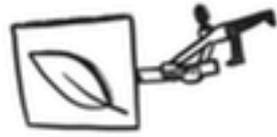
- Use an e-scooter if you are under 18
- Use an e-scooter if you do not have the correct licence
- Ride the e-scooters on pavements
- Ride an e-scooter under the influence of drink/drugs
- Ride an e-scooter using someone else's Voi account
- Have more than one rider on an e-scooter at a time

For full details on their use look on Voi's website or on their app www.voiscoters.com

For education around the use of e-scooters and road safety go to www.ridelikevoia.com and complete the online training.



December Kindness 2025



MONDAY **TUESDAY** **WEDNESDAY** **THURSDAY** **FRIDAY** **SATURDAY** **SUNDAY**

1 Spread kindness and share the December calendar with others

2 Contact someone you can't be with to see how they are

3 Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment

4 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about

5 Give a gift to someone who is homeless or feeling lonely

6 Leave a positive message for someone else to find

7 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today

8 Do something helpful for a friend or family member

9 Notice when you're hard on yourself or others and be kind instead

10 Listen wholeheartedly to others without judging them

11 Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank

12 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today

13 See how many different people you can smile at today

14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one

15 Say hello to your neighbour and brighten up their day

16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to

17 Give thanks. List the kind things others have done for you

18 Ask for help and let someone else discover the joy of giving

19 Contact someone who may be alone or feeling isolated

20 Help others by giving away something that you don't need

21 Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you

22 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed

23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness

24 Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh

25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!

26 Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature

27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat

28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy

29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people

30 Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why

31 Plan some new acts of kindness to do in 2026



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