

EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

8th September 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families

Welcome back!

It has been wonderful welcoming back all of the children and staff to school ready to start the new year! It has been especially lovely welcoming all of our new starters. Next week sees our new reception children start full-time but this week we said: 'Hello' to 23 children who started with us across the school. We are delighted that so many children want to join East Hunsbury and I am thrilled to say that we now only have a few spaces in Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 & Year 4.

We have also welcomed some new members of staff – **please see the other page** for who has joined us and their role. We are going to do everything we can to make sure that all new children and staff settle in and quickly feel part of the East Hunsbury Primary School Family.

We have all been really impressed with how well the children have settled back in and are learning already – such a great start!

New facilities

Our school has been open over the whole summer with lots of work being done to improve the environment. We are pleased to share that we now have new and improved:

- Forestry area

- Flooring throughout the mainstream and Specialist Unit (including in the hall).
- Signage throughout the school and in the Year 3 and 4 classrooms.
- Work has also been done to improve the lighting and hot water facilities.
- Staffroom kitchen (gifted to us by Wickes)
- New toilets in the reception and Year 1 areas (we even have book themed toilet doors with our values on!)

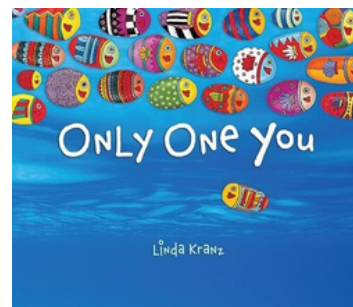
A special mention and thank you must go to Starhna Francis, our Site Supervisor, who has worked tirelessly over the summer to organise everyone and also Jo Long, our School Business Manager, who helped make it all possible. Thank you both very much.

We still have more plans to make further improvements to the facilities so watch this space over the next couple of years. This includes: Project Playground which you can still donate to by scanning this QR code (thank you):

**PROJECT
PLAYGROUND**
WE NEED YOUR
SUPPORT



This week started with a whole school assembly which focussed on our values, rules and expectations. We also read the book *Only One You* by Linda Kranz. It is a beautiful book all about embracing our individuality and acceptance.



Website and Video

Lots of information about our school can be found on our school website – including our new video which was filmed just before the end of term – what do you think? [Click here to watch.](#)

Thank you

We have had a new staffroom gifted to us by Wickes which was amazing – thank you very much to the team at Wickes for their generosity. However, we hit a stumbling block when we realised we weren't able to fit it. A HUGE thank you must go to Robert Mackenzie and his team at Ark Extensions who came to our rescue! They gave up their time to install it for free! As a school, we are so humbled and grateful for this gesture and every member of staff would like to say: thank you! Especially me!

Thank you! We Won!

Finally, THANK YOU to everyone who popped a blue token into the box at Tesco! We won the main prize! This means we have £1500 to spend on Early Years' equipment. Watch this space! Thank you Mrs Jutla for applying for this! If you know of any other grants or schemes we could apply for, please do let me know!

As we start the new academic year with lots of exciting and enriching opportunities ahead of us, please know that my door is always open, as our my Senior Leaders' who will always be more than happy to listen and help.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kathryn Pennington
Headteacher

REGISTRATION TIME – MAINSTREAM

The register will be 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 will 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 9am 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.**

Meet our Governors



Louise Whaites
Chair



Lauren Clements
Vice Chair



Hanna Castle
Safeguarding
Governor



Rebecca Davis
Parent Governor



Rebecca Hayhurst
Staff Governor

Jitesh Patel, Subhash Jani and Anne Leverton.

Welcome to all our new staff

Miss Mann - Class Teacher
Mr Horsler - Class Teacher
Miss Sintim - Class Teacher
Mrs Ford - SU TA
Mrs Money - SU TA
Miss Curtis - SU TA
Ms Douglas - Intervention Support Worker

Ms Walker - Lunchtime Supervisor
Miss Chaplin - Lunchtime Supervisor
Mrs Pickering - Lunchtime Supervisor
Miss Ritchie - Lunchtime Supervisor
Miss Keay - Mainstream TA
Mrs Rossiter - Mainstream TA
Mrs Ropiak - HLTA

Meet our Senior Leaders

1. Rebecca Hayhurst – Early Years and Key Stage 1 leader
2. Jules Fenton – Assistant Head and Year 3 and Year 4 leader
3. Sarah Heavens – Assistant Head and Year 5 and Year 6 leader
4. Lucy Boswell – Assistant Head and Head of the Specialist Unit
5. Lindsey York – Assistant Head and SENCo (Special Educational Needs Coordinator)
6. Kelly Roberts – Safeguarding, PSHE and Wellbeing Lead

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Meet our Pastoral Team



Mrs Kelly Roberts



Mrs Lindsey York



Mrs Lucy Boswell



Mrs Krista Neville



Mrs Karen Keay



Jade Douglas



Mrs Inderjit Jutla

At EHPS we want everyone involved with our school to feel well supported. We believe that good pastoral support focuses on nurturing the individual needs of each child. We aim to build trusting and empathic relationships with all our pupils and their families.

Our Pastoral Team is made up of our school SENCO, Lead BSA and Attendance Lead, Family Support Worker, SEN HLTA, Intervention Support worker and our SU Lead. Together our team works with students so they can lead fulfilling and balanced lives at school and beyond.

All our staff model to students how to look after themselves and others; encouraging them to seek help, support or advice whenever they need it.

Pastoral care underpins personal development and we know from experience that with outstanding pastoral care, students feel they belong and their self-esteem is able to flourish because they feel valued and cared for.

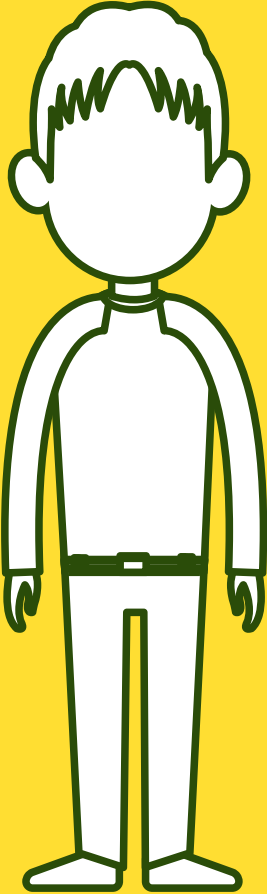
Supporting the pastoral needs of pupils sometimes involves working with external agencies. In these situations we ensure that a confidential, professional, non-judgemental and sensitive service is provided.

At EHPS we know that pupils who feel healthy, happy and safe perform at their best.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have high expectations of the children including their uniform. Please see below our uniform requirements. We are aware that some children have physical or sensory issues relating to clothing and we will support and work with you on this. Please inform the class teacher if there are any issues impacting your child and their school uniform

MAIN UNIFORM



- Jewellery: a pair of small gold or silver studs / sensible, non-electronic watch.
 - Green E.H.P.S logo sweatshirt/cardigan or logo fleece jacket or plain bottle green sweatshirt/cardigan
 - Green, white or yellow polo shirt (logo or non-logo) Reception to Y5 only
 - White shirt/blouse and tie – Y6 only
 - In the summer term and up to October half term: Grey, knee length shorts or bottle green-check summer dresses.
 - Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore
 - Socks - grey, white or black. Tights - grey or bottle green
- **Flat-heeled black shoes that are polishable and sturdy (not trainers or fashion shoe e.g. vans, Nike, canvas etc). Sensible, plain black ankle boots are also allowed.**



Household Support Fund

You may be able to apply for support if:

- you're in work
- you earn less than £400 a week net (after tax, including any government benefits)
- and
- you did not receive the Cost of Living Payment of £650 (paid in 2 lump sums of £326 and £324)

If your application is successful, you will receive an initial £125 payment, followed by another £125 payment automatically 60 days later.

[Click here to apply](#)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

On the days when children have PE they should attend school in their PE kit.

PE KIT

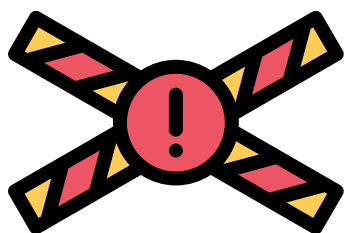


- Jewellery: all jewellery must be removed prior to the school day.
- Plain black hoodie/sweatshirt or black and white high neck top (logo or non-logo) or green E.H.P.S logo sweatshirt/cardigan or plain bottle green sweatshirt/cardigan
- **PLAIN black t-shirt** (non-logo) or black and white t-shirt with school logo
- **PLAIN black skort/shorts** (non-logo) or black and white skort/shorts with school logo
- **PLAIN black jogging bottoms** (school logo or non-logo) or plain black leggings (non-logo)
- Plain black socks
- **PLAIN black trainers or white trainers** (no bright laces, logos or soles).

PE Kit should be worn for after school sports clubs, unless told otherwise.

Long hair must be tied up on PE days.

[Click here to access our uniform policy](#)



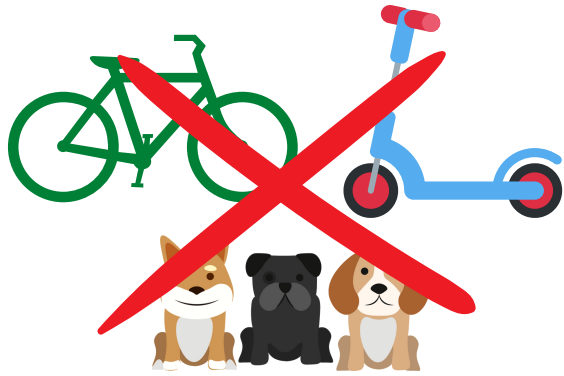
Children, including pre-school children, are not permitted before or after school on our new foresty equipment. If waiting to collect your child, please do not let any siblings go on here.



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**NO BIKES, SCOOTERS OR DOGS
(EXCEPT GUIDE DOGS) ARE
ALLOWED ON THE SCHOOL SITE**

**WE ARE
RECRUITING**



SU TEACHING ASSISTANT

Closing date 9am 22nd September

SU CLASS TEACHER

Closing date 9am 29th September

**[Click here to
download an
application
pack](#)**

TO APPLY VISIT OUR WEBSITE

www.easthunsburyprimary.org.uk

office@easthunsburyprimary.org

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REMHINDER

ALL SNACKS MUST BE NUT FREE



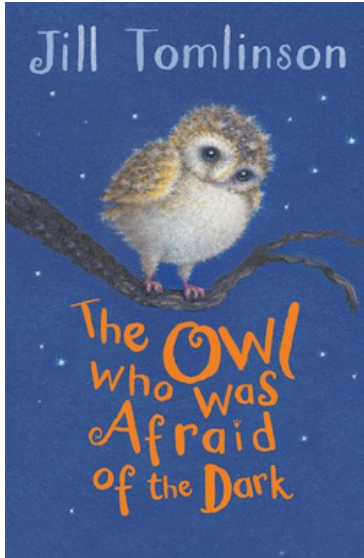
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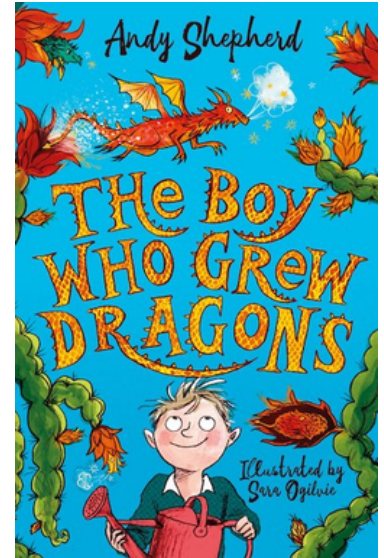
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CLASS NOVELS

Across the school children are enjoying their new class novels – here are the books the children are currently reading (if you have a copy at home, send it in with your child so they can read along at the same time).



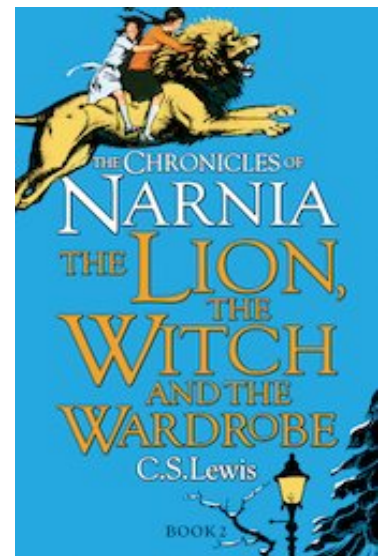
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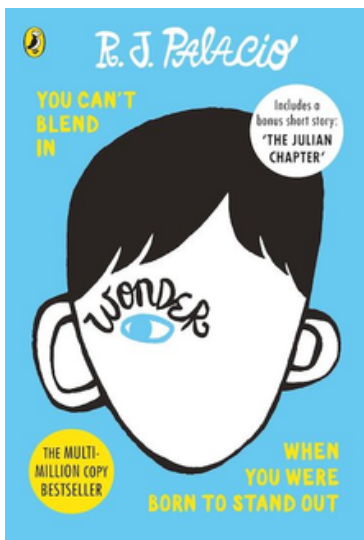
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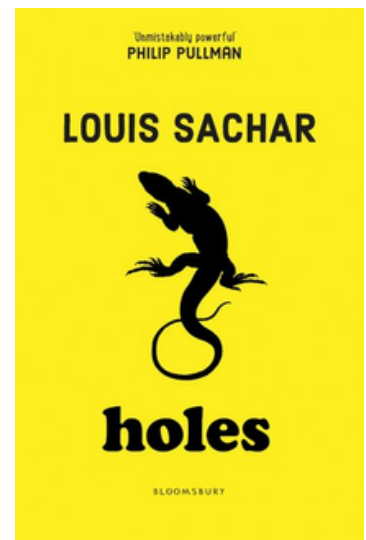
Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6



E-Safety



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about LIVE STREAMING

Live streaming involves broadcasting and watching videos online in real time, often on social media or via platforms like YouTube and Twitch. Viewers can interact through Comments, chats and reactions during the broadcast. Both instant engagement channels and an exciting way to share experiences, learn from others and build digital communities. Despite the many positives, live streaming also creates a potential platform for unfiltered content and poses some risks to children. It's essential to keep privacy and safety in mind and comply with each site or app's age restrictions.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- LACK OF AGE VERIFICATION** (18+ icon): Despite their age restrictions, many streaming sites require proof of age or a parental consent form for an account. Limited parental oversight is a concern. If a child is discovered using a streaming site, it's essential to ensure the account is closed and the child is advised that they should not return to the site. Parents can also consider using parental controls to restrict access to streaming sites.
- DISCLOSING PERSONAL INFO**: A characteristic of live streaming is the ability for viewers to see the identity of their streamer. Without the correct privacy settings, streamers could inadvertently reveal personal information, such as their location, home address, phone number, and other identifying information. Parents should ensure their child's privacy settings are set to 'private' and that they are not sharing any identifying information.
- ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN** (DANGER icon): As the video streams are live, streamers can be seen by anyone who is watching. This means that anyone can see what is being streamed. Parents should ensure their child's privacy settings are set to 'private' and that they are not sharing any identifying information.

Advice for Parents & Carers

- PUT PRIVACY FIRST**: Through the streaming app's settings, switch your child's account to 'private' so only their friends and approved users can see their content. Encourage your child to use a pseudonym and avoid sharing their real name, location, or other identifying information.
- MANAGE MULTISTREAMING**: Some apps and sites let users stream their content through multiple devices or platforms at the same time. This means that your child's content could be seen by a much larger audience than they intended. Parents should ensure their child's privacy settings are set to 'private' and that they are not sharing any identifying information.
- GET INVOLVED YOURSELF**: Research suggests a significant number of streamers are under 18. Parents should ensure their child's privacy settings are set to 'private' and that they are not sharing any identifying information.
- TALK ABOUT LIVE STREAMING**: Try to start with positives before discussing potential risks. Encourage your child to think about what they would like to share and what they would like to keep private. Encourage your child to use a pseudonym and avoid sharing their real name, location, or other identifying information.
- CONSIDER THEIR ONLINE REPUTATION**: As the live streams are live, it often means the information shared is permanent. Parents should ensure their child's privacy settings are set to 'private' and that they are not sharing any identifying information.

UNAUTHORISED RECORDINGS (REC icon): Some streaming sites allow viewers to record live streams. This means that your child's content could be saved and shared without their consent. Parents should ensure their child's privacy settings are set to 'private' and that they are not sharing any identifying information.

ROGUE CONTENT CREATORS: Some streaming sites have a large number of users, which can attract rogue content creators. Parents should ensure their child's privacy settings are set to 'private' and that they are not sharing any identifying information.

DANGER OF GROOMING (DANGER icon): There is a growing concern about the danger of grooming on streaming sites. Parents should ensure their child's privacy settings are set to 'private' and that they are not sharing any identifying information.

What are the risks



Lack of age verification



Disclosing personal information



Unauthorised recordings



Danger of grooming

Back to school photos

With the excitement of a new school year and your child reaching a new milestone, many of us share photos of our child online without thinking about the associated risks. If you post online, then try following these basic rules:

- Don't post any photos of your child that show their school logo/name or recognisable places by where they live that can make it easy for people to find out their location.
- Never include your child's full name.
- Are there any other children in the pictures you share online? If yes, do you have permission from their parent/carer to upload it?
- Would your child be happy for your comment/photo about them to be online – remember what might be 'cute' now may be embarrassing to them in the future.
- Make sure appropriate privacy settings are on.



Alternatively, you could just share photos with those who you really want to share the photo with (grandparents etc.) via WhatsApp or iMessage rather than via social media.

Dates for your diary

New dates since last
newsletter

Date	Activity	Time
SEPTEMBER		
11.09.23	Basketball Day	All day
25.09.23	Diwali Lantern Making	All day
OCTOBER		
03.10.23	NSPCC Workshops Yr 5 & 6	Yr 5 - morning Yr 6 - afternoon
04.10.23	Year 3 Harvest assembly	9.03am - 10.30am
04.10.23	Walk In Wednesday Reading	8.30am - 9.15am
10.10.23	KS 2 Reading Information	4.30pm - 5.30pm
9/11/12.10.23	Individual Photographs	All day
12.10.23	KS1 Reading Information Meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm
13.10.23	Mufti Day	All day
17.10.23	Year 4 & Yellow Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am
18 - 20.10.23	Yr 6 Residential	3 days
20.10.23	Mufti Day for library	all day
31.10.23	School of Life - East Hunsbury Library	10 - 11.30
NOVEMBER		
04.11.23	Diwali Lantern Parade	5.00PM

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12.11.23	Remembrance Event - Grangewood Park	10.45 - 11.15
15.11.23	Walk In Wednesday Maths	8.30am - 9.15am
15.11.23	Positive Noticing Day	all day
15 & 16.11.23	Parents' Evening (Mainstream)	3.50pm - 6.30pm
15.11.23	SU Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 6.50pm
21.11.23	School of Life - East Hunsbury Library	10 - 11.30
22.11.23	Reception Phonics	9.00am - 11,00am
24.11.23	Flu Vaccinations for all children	All day
25.11.23	Choir Singing at Hunsbury Festive Fair at Hunsbury Library	3pm
30.11.23	First Access Clarinet Performance Yr 4	Morning
DECEMBER		
01.12.23	Mufti Day (in exchange for Christmas hamper items)	All day
02.12.23	Christmas Fete	10am - 1pm
11.12.23	Reception Nativity	9.30 - 10.30am & 4 - 5pm
12.12.23	Year 2 & Purple Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am
12.12.23	Year 1 & Green Class Carols by twinklelight	6.00pm - 7.00pm
12.12.23	Reception & Blue to West Lodge Farm	All day
13.12.23	FEHPS Christmas Film night R & KS1 3.30 - 5pm / KS2 5.30 - 7pm	Various
14.12.23	Year 6 Christmas Carols & Crafts	TBC
18.12.23	Christmas Party Day	All Day

JANUARY

11.01.24	Yr 4 Multiplication Check information meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm
11.01.24	Young Voices Birmingham	All day
13.01.24	FEHPS Glow Disco	TBC
24.01.24	Walk In Wednesday Reading	8.30am - 9.15am
30.01.24	Yr 6 SATs Information meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm
31.01.24	School of Life - East Hunsbury Library	10 - 11.30

FEBRUARY

08.02.24	Year 1 Phonics Test Information Meeting	4.30pm - 5.30pm
12 & 15.02.24	Year 6 Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 6.30pm
13.02.24	Year 3 & Orange Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am

MARCH

6 & 7.03.24	Mainstream Parents' Evening (not Yr 6)	3.50pm - 6.30pm
06.03.24	SU Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 6.50pm

13.03.24	Walk In Wednesday Easter Crafts	8.30am - 9.15am
15.03.24	Mufti Day in exchange for chocolate	all day
25.03.24	FEHPS Easter Cafe (Reception 9.15 - 10, Yr 1 10.30 - 11.15, Yr 2 1.30 - 2.15, Yr 3 2.30 - 3.15)	Various
26.03.24	Year 1 & Green Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am
27.03.24	FEHPS Easter Cafe (Yr 4 10.30 - 11.15, Yr 5 1.30 - 2.15, Yr 6 2.30 - 3.15)	Various
MAY		
01.05.24	Walk In Wednesday Science	8.30am - 9.15am
21.05.24	Year 5 and Red Class	9.30 - 10.30am
27.05.24	Year 4 Spring Assembly	9.30am - 10.30am
JUNE		
10 & 11.06.24	Class photos	All day
10.06.24	Sports Day Year 1	1.30 - 3.00pm
11.06.24	Sports Day Year 5	1.30 - 3.00pm
12.06.24	Sports Day Year 3	1.30 - 3.00pm

12.06.24	SU Sports Morning	9.30 - 11.30am
13.06.24	Sports Day Reception Sports Day Year 2	9.30am - 11.00am 1.30pm - 3.00pm
14.06.24	Sports Day Year 6	1.30am - 3.00pm
19.06.24	Walk In Wednesday Science	8.30am - 9.15am
19.06.24	Sports Day Year 4	1.30pm - 3.00pm
21.06.24	Summer Mufti in exchange for tombola prizes	all day
JULY		
29.06.24	Whole School Summer Fayre (Country dancing & Maypole by Years 2, 5, Purple & Red)	10.00 - 1.00pm
02.07.24	Reception & Blue Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am
11.07.24	Music Gala	5.30pm - 7.00pm
16.07.24	Yr 6 Leavers' Performance	6.00pm - 7.30pm
17.07.24	Yr 6 Leavers' Performance for toddlers to attend	9.30am - 11.00am
18.08.24	SU Yr 6 Leavers' Assembly	9.30am - 10.30am
22.07.24	Year 6 Leavers' Party	7.00pm - 9.00pm
23.07.24	Mainstream Yr 6 Leavers' Assembly	10.00am - 11.30am