# EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

#WeareEastHunsburyPrimary

Newsletter

24th November 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

## **Dear Families**

Another tremendous week had by all here at EHPS! Our house tokens are really impacting positively across the school and thank you everyone who brought in gifts for our famous Christmas hampers last week. We will soon be sending raffle tickets home so please watch this space.

# Antibullying assembly and creative competition

This week started with an assembly led by Mrs Roberts all about anti-bullying to follow up from anti-bullying week last week when we wore our odd socks. At EHPS, we do not tolerate bullying in any form and will always endeavour to act swiftly, supportively and thoroughly when any concerns are raised. We talk to the children about how to recognise bullying using the acronym STOP (Several Times on Purpose) and if bullying happens to them to also STOP (Start Telling Other People).

If your child, or another child they know, feels they are being bullied there are lots of people in school that they can talk to, starting with their class teacher and other adults in their year group.

A local charity, Notivate, are running a song writing competition linked to this very important theme. Any anti-bullying songwriters can get involved in their own time if they wish.

Please see **their website** for more information.

# **Debating Team**

On Monday, a group of 8 Year 6 children visited the University of Northampton to take part in some debate training. The day consisted of different exercises which taught the children how debating worked, encouraged them to speak in front of a large audience and consider how to both propose and oppose a motion. The children did a fantastic job and won the first two mini competitions of the day. We now look forward to taking them back to the university in January where they will compete in the first round of the Cicero cup debating competition against other schools.

Thank you to Mrs Boswell, Mrs Heavens and Miss Welch for organising.



Parking - Meeting with the Police

On Wednesday, I had a productive meeting with PC Kellie regarding parking. I have been regularly sharing our concerns with the police and highways agency, not only about the inconsiderate and dangerous parking but also about an increase in hostility towards our community (including staff and parents) when parking. As a school we are taking this matter very seriously.

### **School of Life Continues**

On Tuesday, a group of children once again visited East Hunsbury Library to play games and chat with our local seniors. This is all part of our ongoing community work as part of Education Team: Our World. It is wonderful seeing the intergenerational collaboration and we love working with East Hunsbury Parish Council to make opportunities like this possible.



As you will be aware, work has started on our new roof (hurrah!). So far we are on schedule, I just hope that the weather does not cause a delay. Thank you to everyone who has been respectful and responsible when accessing school grounds. Please can I remind you to not walk across the car park and only come into the car park if you have a blue badge or pass (I beg any families with a pass that could walk to do so).

### **Facebook**

Do you follow us <u>on Facebook</u>? We often post reminders and updates about the wonderful things going on in our school. Next week, our Festive Facebook Book Advent will begin – we will actually post 25 books between 1st and 12th (an EYFS/KS1 and a KS2). They will be great books you may want to consider buying as Christmas presents or read with your child.

Talking of books...

### **Our Christmas Amazon Wish List**

We have put together a little Christmas wish list full of books that we are sharing with our families in case they feel that they are able to gift our library a book. This is, of course, voluntary but if you feel you can buy our library a book which can then be shared with the whole school please click here. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### Holidays in term time

Please can I remind families that you are not permitted to take holidays in term time. I am unable to authorise them and you may incur a fine from the Local Authority.

# Sing-a-Long

Finally, our brilliant choir is performing at the Hunsbury Festive Fair this Saturday – why not pop along and see them at 3pm? Thank you Mrs Landeman for helping the children with this event... it really is beginning to look at lot like Christmas.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Ms Pennington





# SU NEWS



Some of the SU classes have been out and about over the last two weeks.

Orange Class have been on a local walk to Blacky Moore park to learn about maps as part of their geography learning. They also practised being safe when out and about. Crossing roads, staying with the group and being aware of our environment were all things they worked on during their walk.

Purple Class have been to the Northampton Museum and Art Gallery to visit the shoe exhibition as part of their history learning. They explored a wide range of shoes, trying them on and looking at how they were made.

Taking our learning into the community is something we know supports our pupils to embed their learning and develop their life skills. Watch this space for more trips and exciting learning opportunities. A big well done to both Orange and Purple class for demonstrating our school values whilst out and about!



**EHPS Christmas Fayre** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023

The Year 1 stall is:

The Chocolate Tombola

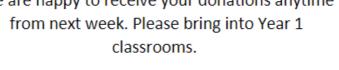


Please may you donate **Chocolate** to support this event. All monies raised will go to the Friends Of East Hunsbury Primary School.

We are kindly asking for the children to bring in Chocolate (boxes, tubes, tubs, bars, multipacks, bags.....)

Everything welcome.

We are happy to receive your donations anytime from next week. Please bring into Year 1 classrooms.



Thank you for your support in this wonderful event.





# EHPS HOUSE POINTS TOTALISER

This week

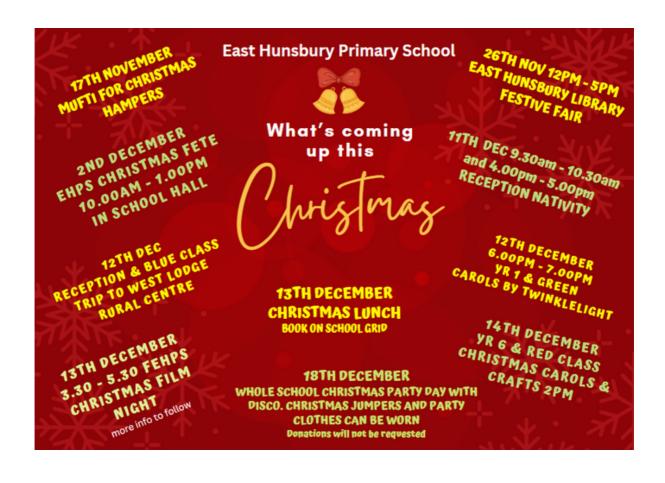
Grand total

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 151
 196

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 474

# Remember to order Christmas Lunch for your child before 5th December on School Grid





Are you able to gift a book to our library?

Click here to have a look at our wishlist and purchase a book



# **DO NOT**

walk across the car park or enter via the main gates (use the pedestrian ones) as these are for vehicles.



<u>office</u> for more information.





Do you have a spare artificial Christmas tree which you could lend us from 8th to 11th December? We would like to put 4 house trees (Salcey, Everdon, Whittlewood & Harlestone) in the St Benedict's Christmas Tree Festival. Please contact the school office if you can help.



# Roles of our Young Leaders



# House Captains

HARLESTONE: JESSICA, GEORGE, ARCHIE

EVERDON: DANIEL, MIA. LEILA SALCEY: LILLIAN, ISLA, OSCAR

WHITTLEWOOD: CHLOE, SOPHIE, WILLIAM

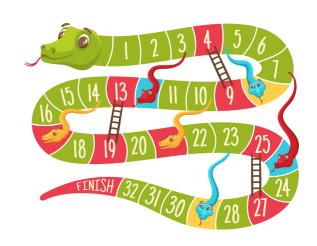


YEAR 5 - DOROTHY, HENRY, AMELIA, LOTTIE, ZARA YEAR 6 - EMILY G, MAX Y, LILIAN



# Play Leaders

NICOLETA T, MORGAN C, CHLOE S, EMILY G, MATILDA B, NOAH P, TAYLA M, DANIEL D



# Mnisters Part of our School Parliament

PRIME MINISTER - MRS ROBINSON, MRS KELLY
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE - HEATH, CHLOE
SECRETARY - LOTTIE
MINISTERS OF THE ENVIRONMENT - SOPHIE, LEXI
MINISTERS OF EDUCATION - JESSICA, HANNAH

MINISTERS OF COMMUNITY - CLARA, OLIVIA MINISTERS OF ENRICHMENT - MARIA, LOTTIE MINISTERS FOR INCLUSION - JOSHUA, LYLA





# Reading Ambassadors

YEAR 6 - EMILY G, HENRY E, INNA M, LILLIAN I, CHLOE S, RYLEY J, JESSICA S, TAYLA M, NICOLETA T, DANIEL D

YEAR 5 - HANNAH M, AMELIA I, DOROTHY Y, LOTTIE C, ZARA W, KACIE C, MAYA D, VICTORIA C, EDWARD B

YEAR 4 - NOAH Y, SOPHIE L-A, ETHAN J, CLARA J



# **Attendance News**

Whole school average attendance this week was

94.37%

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

	Weekly Attendance	Year Group	Weekly Attendance
Reception	96.55%	1	94.26
2	91.50%	3	89.82%
4	95.20%	5	95.20%
6	98.00%		

# REMEMBER, lateness affects attendance and learning

# Walk in Wednesday dates

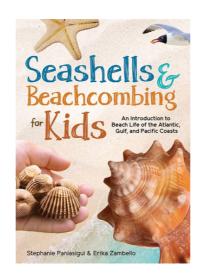
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13.03.24	Walk in Wednesday 4 - Easter Crafts	08:30-9:15	Classroom
01.05.24	Walk in Wednesday 5 - science	08:30-9:15	Classroom
19.06.24	Walk in Wednesday 6 - reading	08:30-9:15	Classroom

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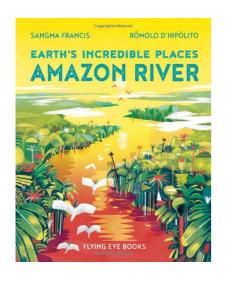
# Non-fiction November 2023

### **WONDERFUL WATER!**

The 2023 the theme for National Non-Fiction is "Wonderful Water. Here are a few books linked to the topic. Click here to see the full list.

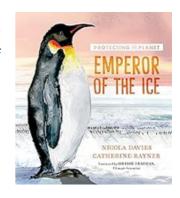


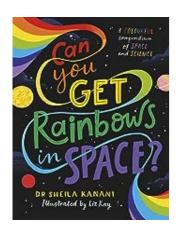
Learn about beaches and coastal life with this children's introduction to animals, plants, and seashells.



Beginning with a tiny trickle high in the mountains, smaller streams join until they form the world's largest river. Crossing a continent, it winds through lush rainforests until it meets the ocean. From piranhas to the giant anaconda, this mighty waterway is home to the world's most incredible ecosystem. Welcome to the Amazon River.

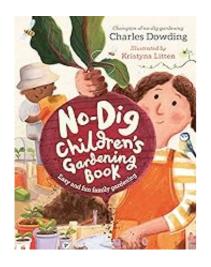
With luminous illustrations and an introduction by climate scientist Dr Phil Trathan, this is the true story of how the Emperor penguin colony at Halley Bay was disrupted after the sea ice collapsed, and how it's necessary to protect the environment so that these extraordinary survivors will continue to be found in the Antarctic for generations to come.





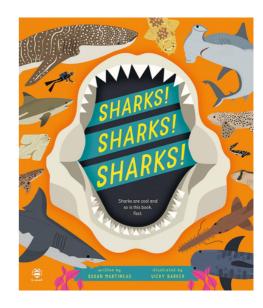
Why is blood red? Why are carrots orange? Who invented the lightbulb? Why is the world 'going green'? Is the sky really blue? And what is ultraviolet light?

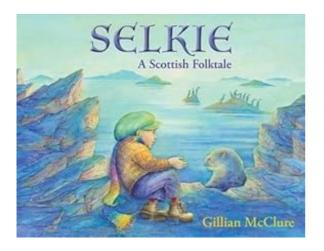
You'll discover the answers to these questions - and many more - in this incredible collection of scientific facts about colour.



Don't like endless digging and weeding? Don't let that stop you from getting into gardening! The simple and achievable gardening projects in this book are perfect for parents and young children to do together. All are based on Charles Dowding's trademark no-dig technique, which perfectly lends itself to gardening with little ones who can't manage heavy digging and who will quickly grow bored of endless weeding.

What is a shark? Do sharks have friends? And do sharks really have superpowers? The perfect book to surprise shark-loving superfans and delight nature investigators everywhere. Join award-winning non-fiction duo, Susan Martineau and Vicky Barker, as they journey through mangroves, along the shore and into the deep on the hunt for the answers to these questions ... and many more.

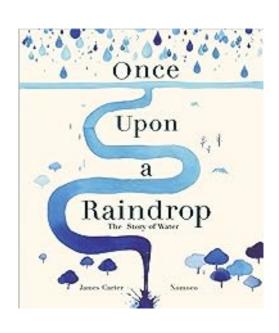




Peter has heard of the legend of the Selkie seals who turn into humans - but cannot believe it when he rescues a real live Selkie from the oysterman's nets. Can he save them both when danger threatens?

Do you know why the Moon's so dry and yet our world is wet?

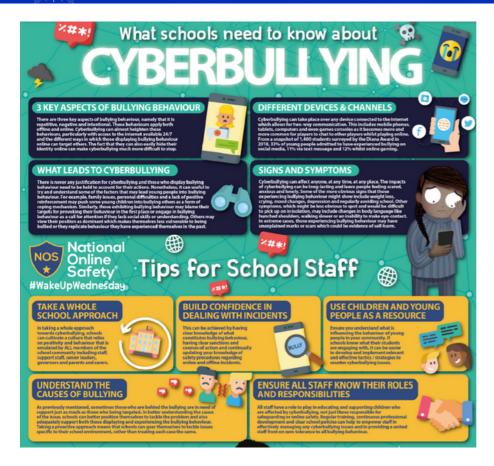
Immerse yourself in the wonderful world of water and discover the story of H20 from its very beginning. Engaging, informative poetry flows over the pages and stunning illustrations bring this story to rushing, gushing life.





# E-Safety





# Tips for parents



Talk to your child about cyber/bullying



Let them know who to ask for help



Save the evidence



Encourage your child not to retaliate

# **VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION**

# Advice for parents



**Set sturdy passwords** 



Beware of suspicious emails



**Review bank statements** 



Take care on social media







# WE NEED YOUR TOKENS!!! YOU CAN VOTE UNTIL MID JANUARY 2024

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 a breakfast club.



### You can vote for EHPS in the following TESCO stores:

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

### **PARKING**

Every week we receieve complaints about parking. Staff also receive abuse which will not be tolerated. Park safely, responsibly and considerately at all times.



**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

# **Lost Property**

Please label everything (including gloves, hats and scarves) as we are beginning to get a lot of lost property. All unclaimed and unnamed items of clothing will either be donated to our preloved uniform collection or charity after 6 weeks.

There is a red lost property box beside the Year 4 Courtyard.

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**New Ways November 2023** 

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# Happier · Kinder · Together

# **ACTION FOR HAPPINESS**

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# Dates for your diary

Date	Activity	Time	
NOVEMBER			
25.11.23	Choir Singing at Hunsbury Festive Fair at Hunsbury Library	3pm	
27.11.23	Yr 5 Space Centre trip	All day	
	DECEMBER		
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	
DECEMBER			
12.12.23	Reception & Blue to West Lodge Farm	All day	
13.12.23	Christmas Lunch (book on School Grid)		
13.12.23	FEHPS Christmas Film night	Straight after school until TBC (approx 5:30)	
19.12.23	Year 6 & Red Christmas Carols & Crafts with parents	2pm - 3.30pm	
	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	ТВС	
24.01.24	Walk In Wednesday Reading	8.30am - 915am	

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		
09.02.23	FEHPS - Family Bingo Night	5:30-7:30		
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 Wedneday Easter Crafts	8.30am - 9.15am		
15.03.24	Mufti Day in exchange for chocolate	all day		
23.03.24	EHPS Easter Community Community Cafe and Easter egg hunt	10am-1pm		
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		
MAY				
01.05.24	Walk In Wednesday Science	8.30am - 9.15am		
21.05.24	Year 5 and Red Class	9.30am - 10.30am		
22.05.12	FEHPS Disco	TBC		

22.05.23	SU Show	Morning	
27.05.24	Year 4 Spring Assembly	9.30am - 10.30am	
JUNE			
05.06.24	Yr 4 National Gallery Trip	All day	
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	
26.06.24	Class photos	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
08.07.24	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



Applications open on 8th September 2023 and close at midnight on 15th January 2024 for children who will turn five from 1st September 2024 – 31st August 2025.

National offer day for these children will be 16th April 2024.

All applications for admission must be made through <u>West Northamptonshire County</u> Council