# EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

#WeareEastHunsburyPrimary

# **Newsletter**2nd February 2024

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

## **Dear Families**

Friday again and I do hope that you have all had a lovely week – we certainly have at EHPS HQ!

## **Born to Perform!**

What a start to the week! We had the AMAZING Born to Perform (yes the David Walliams Golden Buzzer dance group) lead a whole school assembly. We are incredibly proud of all of them but especially Jessica and Caitlyn who are expupils of ours and are now part of our Alumni! Many more former and current pupils belong to Born to Perform. It was simply inspirational, and we all had a brilliant time!





## **Bringing Learning Alive**

Last week, Year 3 had a fantastic trip (although a little rainy) to Chester House where they cemented their learning on the Romans. They were brilliantly behaved and it was wonderful to see their learning come to life.

## Blue Butterfly project

On Tuesday, our Year 3 and Year 4 children took part in the Blue Butterfly project led by Northants Police. It is a workshop aimed at helping children recognise that butterfly feeling that is often in their tummy – sometimes is it nerves or excitement but sometimes it is a clue that something isn't quite right. They were taught to listen to this feeling and what to do if they feel they need to share it with someone.

## **Parking Support**

Did you notice on Wednesday and Thursday last week several PCSOs and traffic enforcement officers patrolling the car park and surrounding roads? As a school, we are working really closely with the authorities to improve our parking situation as it remains a time consuming and serious issue for us. As a PCSO said to me: 'Cars don't park themselves,' so please, park and drive responsibly, safely and respectfully – the solution to our issues lies in your hands.

## Read, read, read

As you are aware, reading is such an important life skill and something we take very seriously here at East Hunsbury Primary School with our RED (Red Every Day) October, 100 Reads and fantastic curriculum.

Reading is the gateway into other worlds, a chance to grow the imagination and an opportunity to grasp new knowledge. It is also the foundation of accessing so many other subjects. No matter what age your child is, how often do you read with them?



I am pleased to share with you that our Reception children have been working very hard on a special reading challenge. The aim of the challenge is to read at least 5 times during the week (ideally every day/night) – if they do, they will receive an extra-special medal!

I really encourage every family to hear their child read daily whether that this is reading their school reading book or simply reading and sharing a book together. Make reading time a protected, snuggly time.

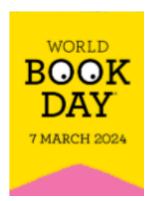
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Week 5 29" January					
Week 4 5 <sup>th</sup> February					

## Could your company, or one you know, buy/sponsor a bookcase for our library?

Sadly, we have experienced some water damage in our library. Therefore, I am seeking companies who may be able to support/sponsor our library by buying a bookcase... if you do know someone or a company who might be interested in this, please can you ask them to contact <a href="majority">myself</a> or our librarian <a href="Mrs Ruth de Chastelain">Mrs Ruth de Chastelain</a>. We will have a little plaque mounted on the side of the bookcase for them!

# World Book Day - 7th March 2024

We are very excited about World Book Day which is coming up soon and we are planning lots of fabulous things. However, I wanted to give you advance notice that we will not be asking the children to dress up – it will be a normal school uniform day (we dressed up in October as part of our RED October). Watch this space though for more information about what we have planned!



## Northampton Town Football Club Partnership

Whilst music is very important to us, so is sport and we are proud of our partnership with NTFC. On Thursday, we were presented with our plaque and a visit from Crawleys who are helping to fund some activities and resources we have in place at school. They were amazed at the great work going on and the wonderful behaviour of our children. Did you know that on Saturday many of our families benefitted from the free tickets we offered out to watch the Northampton Town Football Club vs Wigan Athletic game – did you go?

## **Saints Foundation Green Match Game**

Did you know that on Saturday many of our families benefitted from the free tickets we offered out to watch the Saints vs Newcastle game – did you go? A special well done to Freya, Aiden and Oscar who represented East Hunsbury Primary at Saints Sustainability Match last Saturday. They went onto the pitch at half time and were chosen because of their brilliant and commitment to taking care of our world. Thank you to Mrs Linnell for overseeing it all as well. Team work makes the dream work!



### Farewells and Hellos

This week, we said goodbye to our wonderful Mrs Hayhurst who has now left us to start her new adventure in Scotland. I cannot thank Mrs Hayhurst enough for all that she has done for our school, including the support she has given the FEHPS. We had a lovely surprise assembly on Tuesday to say 'Goodbye,' and I hope to update you soon on how she is getting on. Also, Mrs Rachel Parris, who works in the SU has left us to return to her previous school. We have loved having Mrs Parris with her and wish her the very best.

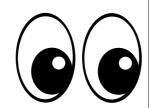
This has meant that this week we have welcomed Miss Alice McIntyre to our teaching team. She has been in over the past few weeks getting to know the children and it feels like she has always been a part of our family. Welcome Miss McIntyre – we are really pleased to welcome you officially to the East Hunsbury Primary School!

## **Change Makers Sale TONIGHT!**

Finally, a huge thank you in advance to everyone who is planning to attend our Change Maker's Bring and Buy sale this afternoon 3.30pm - 4.30pm in the music room and to those who have donated their unwanted bric-a-brac. Miss Welch, and her team of Change Makers, have been working very hard planning a quiet space on the playground and your donations will help support this and our other playground projects we have underway.

Enjoy your weekend everyone and I will see you on Monday.





## **Parents' Evenings**

We are pleased to confirm that we will have a creche available in the Music Room for siblings of EHPS children during the Yr 6 Parents' Evening on 12th and 15th February and Mainstream/SU/The Nest Parents' Evening on 6th & 7th March. No need to book.

# EHPS HOUSE POINTS TOTALISER

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Bag(s) can be returned to the school NOT **BEFORE THURSDAY 29th FEBRUARY ready** for our collection on Friday 1st March. Please leave filled bags outside the school office.



Parentpay NO TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE DOOR

For further information contact FEHPS@hotmail.co.uk





# challenge Healthy mind, healthy body challenge

We are very excited about our PE and PSHE Healthy Mind, Healthy Body challenge. Each week, there will be a PE or PSHE task based on a specific skill for that subject that you can complete at home, either by yourself, with your siblings, or with the whole family!

These activities are not compulsory but are a great way of learning or practicing news skills. You can always show your teacher that you've completed these via the class dojo. Make sure to look for these jobs in the newsletter each week.

Mrs Roberts and Mr Clarke

# GO FOR A MINDFUL WALK

### You will need:

- An adult to accompany you
- Somewhere to walk
- Your senses



# How to participate

- Without any distractions, go for a walk.
- Use your senses to see what you can hear, see, feel, touch and smell.
- When it is safe to, close your eyes, what can you feel now? What can you hear now? How has this changed.
- Focus on your breathing as you are walking, feel your body move as you breathe in and out.



**BE KIND** 

Please <u>do not</u> send packed lunch to school in glass containers. They can fall out of lockers/bags and break.

# ALL DONATIONS APPRECIATED

Thank you to everyone who has already donated to our Foodbank. Please continue to donate if you can. The donation crate is outside the school office.

# CAREERS CORNER



Here are some interesting job titles for you to explore:



<u>What's it like to be a Jewellery Designer?</u>



<u>What does an</u> <u>Inventor do?</u>

WHAT IS YOUR FUTURE?

What's it like to be a school chef?



# is recruiting for a PLAY WORKER

- Monday to Friday
- 7.30am 9.00am and 3.00pm 6.00pm
- Term Time only
- Permanent Contract

Closing date 16th February

Contact Vanessa on 07922 217 002 or email ehpskidsclub@yahoo.co.uk





Please meet Felicity and her Mummy.

Felicity and her family have come to my attention as part of our Hunsbury community. Felicity is three and a half and her sister attends Hunsbury Park Primary where she was due to start in September.

Sadly, Felicity has been diagnosed with a terminal brain tumour and their family are raising money to provide Felicity with the most special memories and make her wishes come true.



After learning about Felicity, I wanted to do something as a school to support them. Therefore, we will be having a **Mufti Day on the last day of term, Friday 16th February**. We are encouraging children and staff to wear bright colours but they can simply choose their own clothes. All we are asking is for a donation to this wonderful cause.

To donate, and to find out more, please visit this **Just Giving Page**.



# Safety





# What are the risks?



Potential addiction



Mental health concerns



Sensory overload



Physical consequences

Click here for more information

# **VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE ONLINE SAFETY INFORMATION**

# Contents







Setting up parental controls

Click here for more information



controls on your

If you do not have the same mobile phone as your child, and therefore are unable to use Google Family link or Apple Family Sharing, then you can set restrictions on your child's device instead.

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child's mobile



# Online Safety Newsletter February 2024

### **PlayStation** Setting up parental

Does your child have a PlayStation? If so, have you set up appropriate parental controls? Some examples of the parental controls available are:

Set age restrictions,
Set daily limits,

- Control chat and messaging. Set spend limits.

How can I block/report other players?
If your child is playing with other players, then please ensure they know how to report/plock other players and to tell a trusted adult if they do come across anything upsetting or that they are unsure of. This link details how to do this based on the device they have:
https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/support/account/block-players-psn/

PlayStation have included a list of games along with their age rating to help you find a game that may be appropriate for your child to play. https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/editorial/great-ps4-games-for-kids-

Whilst age ratings do allow you to see if a game may be appropriate, it is also important to review the game yourself and see if it includes additional features such a shat. This will allow you to make an informed decision as to whether it is suitable and if you need to apply further parental controls.

You can find out more about the controls available here https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/parental-controls/

### YouTube Shorts

https://ineqe.com/2021/07/01/youtube-shorts-need-to-know/

# Want to improve your English?



East Hunsbury Primary School working in partnership with NNC Adult Learning Service

# Family Learning Family Language

Starting Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 9.15am - 11.15am



You will be able to:



- Learn how your children are taught English at school
- Have the opportunity to develop your English speaking and listening skills.
- Learn English reading and writing skills.
- Have the opportunity to work towards a functional skills qualification at a level suitable for you.

Family Language will:

- Help you support your children's learning and development
- Help you develop your own English skills
- Support you to learn in a friendly, positive learning environment
- Support you to understand how children learn in school
- Help you to communicate with your school more effectively
- Help you learn new skills and meet new people.

A NEW FREE COURSE

# East Hunsbury Primary School - Wednesdays 9.15 - 11.15

No need to book. Just come along.

# NO IDLING CAR ENGINES IN THE CAR PARK

# PLEASE

Always switch your engines off when in a parked car. Leaving your engine running when your vehicle stationary is is called idling. This creates air by increasing pollution the levels of exhaust fumes and harmful gases in the air. No one, especially children, should have to breathe in these fumes.



NO DOGS (EXCEPT GUIDE DOGS) ARE ALLOWED ON THE SCHOOL SITE EVEN IF THEYARE BEING CARRIED. PLEASE DO NOT TIE THEM UP OUTSIDE THE GATE.

# **Attendance News**

Whole school average attendance this week was

92.73%

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

	Weekly Attendance	Year Group	Weekly Attendance
Reception	96.15%	1	91.58%
2	88.81%	3	93.22%
4	91.84%	5	92.07%
6	95.17%		

# REMEMBER, lateness affects attendance and learning

# Walk in Wednesday dates

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

**BE KIND** 



## NTFC GIRLS SKILLS CENTRES

Is your child aged 7-15 & wanting to improve their game outside of their current football?

Sessions are just £5.50 per week run by our qualified and experienced coaches!

Every Monday Night 7:00pm - 8:00pm at Northampton High School

To sign up scan the QR Code or please visit: www.ntfccommunity.co.uk/ skills-centres





# NTFC CT WEETABIX WILDCATS

Are you looking for a fun way for girls 5-11 to get involved with football?

Then look no further!
Weetabix Wildcats is the place
to be, meet new friends &
improve your football.

Starting Thursday 11th January 5:00pm - 6:00pm (£3)

Redwell Leisure Centre Barnwell Road Wellingborough, NN8 5LP

For more info please contact Scott.Loughran@ntfc.co.uk





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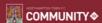
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Starting Monday 15th January 5:00pm - 6:00pm

> Community Mini-Pitch Sixfields Stadium Northampton, NN5 5QA

For more info please contact
Scott.Loughran@ntfc.co.uk









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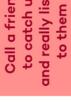
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# **Happier · Kinder · Together**

# **ACTION FOR HAPPINESS**

# Dates for your diary

Date	Activity	Time		
FEBRUARY				
02.02.23	Change Makers Bring and Buy Sale	3.30pm - 4.30pm		
09.02.23	FEHPS - Family Bingo Night	5:30pm - 7:30pm		
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			
01.03.24	Rags to Riches Collection	9.00am		
01.03.24	Live Career Conversation Taster Session - Poet Joseph Coelho Yr 5 & 6	11.00am		
6 & 7.03.24	Mainstream Parents' Evening (not Yr 6)	3.50pm - 6.30pm		
06.03.24	SU Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 6.50pm		
11.03.24	Commonwealth Day Service of Celebration at Westminster Abbey	All day		
13.03.24	Walk In Wedneday Easter Crafts	8.30am - 9.15am		
15.03.24	Mufti Day in exchange for chocolate	All day		
18.03.24	5KR Merchant of Venice - Royal Theatre, Northampton	7 - 9pm		
22.03.24	Spring Assembly Yr 4 and Yellow Class	9.30 - 10.30		
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
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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
	JUNE	
05.06.24	Yr 4 National Gallery Trip	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
12.06.23	Y6 STEAM at UoN	All Day
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	Sports Day Year 4	1.30pm - 3.00pm
19.06.24	Walk In Wednesday Science	8.30am - 9.15am
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





# JANUARY 3

07 Leek Town (A) 14 Loughborough Lightning (H) 21 Brackley Town (H)\* 28 Lincoln City (H)

# FEBRUARY

04 Notts County (A) 11 Sheffield FC (A) 22 Solihull Moors (A)

# MARCH

10 Sporting Khalsa (H)
12 Boldmere St. Michaels (A)
24 Sutton Coldfield Town (A)
31 Leafield Athletic (H)

# APRIL

21 Peterborough United (A)

# MAY

05 Notts County (H)



Fixtures are subject to change.