

EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

3rd May 2024

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families

Another wonderful week has passed and the learning is oozing from the classrooms. Year 5 have started rehearsing for the Northants Festival which will be held at the Royal and Derngate, Year 4's artwork for our Take one Picture project is looking sublime and Year 6 are working extremely hard studying for their end of key stage assessments (SATS) – not long to go now.

It was lovely to see so many families join us for Walk in Wednesday which this time was science themed and I do hope you enjoyed seeing our Earth day creations.

House Assembly

The week started with our termly House Assembly where the children learnt all about Kindness. We are so pleased with how the children have embraced our House system and the community feel is fantastic. Please do encourage your child to wear their house badge to school.

Our next big house event will be our Sports Days.

Welcome to our new families for September 2024

It is that time of year again where we learn about all of the new children and their families that will be joining us in September. We are really excited for our Reception 2024 cohort and already have lots of lovely things planned. We actually have a handful of spaces left so if you know of any children who would like a place here in September, please ask their guardians to contact our school office for advice.

Children's News

Have you seen our new Children's newsletter?

Alongside this weekly newsletter which is for our families we have also launched a newsletter just for children. It is something that you might want to print off and read together at home. It covers topical issues and is often linked to the things that we have been learning about in class. A great way to get talking with your children.

Phonics information Evening

Last week, the Year 1 team held a Phonics Check information evening for families which talked them through what the Phonics Checks are, why they are important and what parents/carers can do to support their child. If you were unable to attend, please do speak to your child's class teacher for more information. Please let me know if there is ever an information evening that you would like that we currently do not offer.

Survey

We have launched our annual Parent Survey again which collects your views on how we are doing as a school. Your opinion is very important to us and we will share the outcome of the survey in our final, special edition newspaper. You can access the survey by [clicking here](#) until 20th May at 11.59pm.

Change Markers and Houses 10p coin update

Thank you to everyone who contributed a 10p or two to our 10p trail! The coins have been counted and I am grateful to share with you that we raised an amazing £550 which is going to go towards our Change Maker Project of having a quiet space on the playground. Does the company you work for provide Match Funding? If so, we'd love to double our total. Please contact Miss Welch directly or via the school office if you can help.

Holidays

PLEASE, please do not book holidays in term time as they cannot be authorised.

Finally, enjoy the extended bank holiday weekend everyone! Let's hope the sun shines and I look forward to see you on Tuesday!

Ms Pennington



Yr 2 Sports Day is now on 20th June
from 1.30 - 3pm

SU Sports morning is now on 3rd July
9.30 - 11.30am

Walk in Wednesday dates

19.06.24	Walk in Wednesday 6 - reading	08:30-9:15	Classroom
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Please ensure your children **use the path** at the beginning and end of the day. **Do not let them run along the verge or cut through the hedge at the bottom.** It is too close to the car park and they are causing damage to the hedgerows and wildlife habitats.



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SU NEWS - PURPLE CLASS

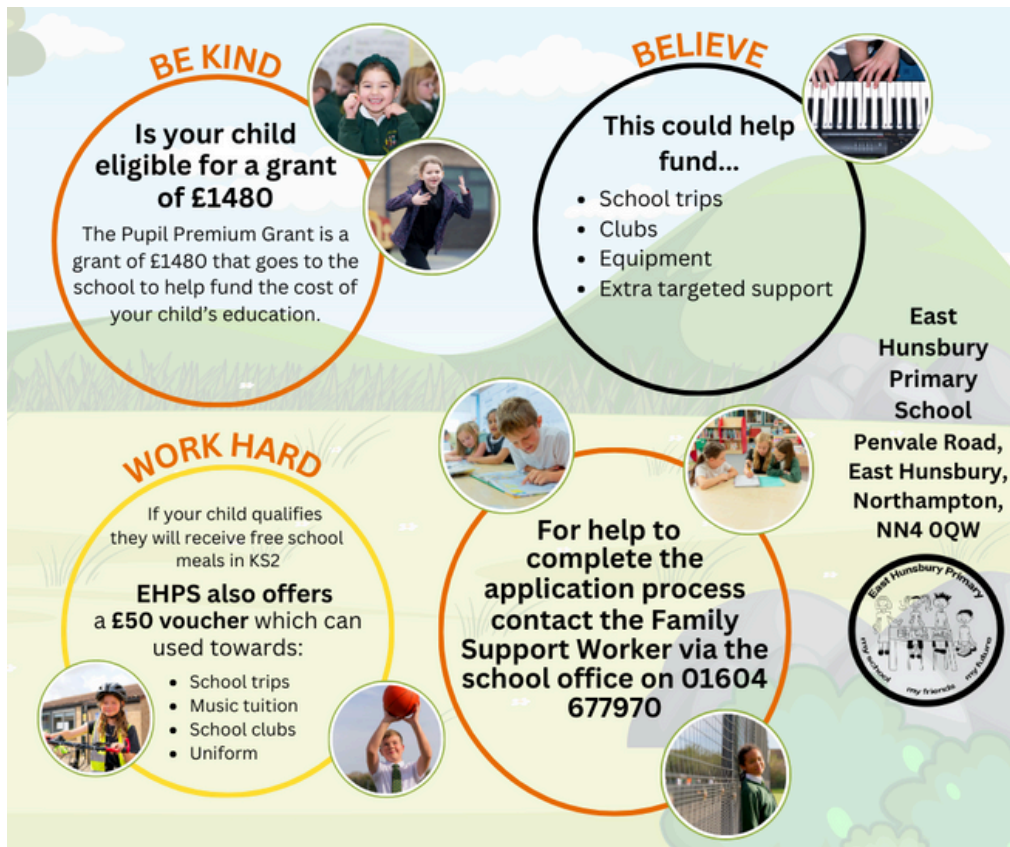
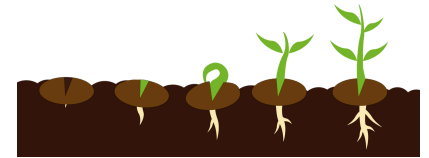
At the end of last term the SU had an exciting IT day with lots of different activities focusing on IT skills. Purple class learnt about the importance of clear instructions and collaboration to build a scarecrow and enjoyed learning to programme a Beebot.



This half term it is our turn to have Forest School. The children engage in a range of self-directed activities including potion making, mud kitchen, climbing, building a den, using the trim trail, relaxing in the hammock, using the swing and many more.



In science we are thinking about growing and have planted lots of seeds. We are looking forward to seeing how they grow over the next few weeks.



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Is your child eligible for a grant of **£1480**

The Pupil Premium Grant is a grant of £1480 that goes to the school to help fund the cost of your child's education.

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This could help fund...

- School trips
- Clubs
- Equipment
- Extra targeted support

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If your child qualifies they will receive free school meals in KS2

EHPS also offers a £50 voucher which can be used towards:

- School trips
- Music tuition
- School clubs
- Uniform

For help to complete the application process contact the Family Support Worker via the school office on 01604 677970

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Pupil Premium Funding

[Click the link to check your eligibility.](#)

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Attendance News

Whole school average attendance this week was

95.25%

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

	Weekly Attendance	Year Group	Weekly Attendance
Reception	98.44%	1	94.46%
2	94.33%	3	96.95%
4	94.08%	5	96.63%
6	94.83%		

REMEMBER, lateness affects attendance and learning

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION?

On 19th May **Miss Cunnington**, TA in The Nest, will be doing a **tandem skydive**.

She is raising money for Rowan Ward at Northampton General Hospital to help furnish their Family room, so family and friends can stay in comfort at difficult times. The Family Room is a safe space for patients, relatives and visitors to have time away from the ward.

Last year, she lost her Uncle who was staying on Rowan Ward and she feels it is very important for families to have some privacy when visiting someone in hospital and where often relatives receive sad news.

If you feel you would like to donate, please [click here](#) to access her Just Giving page or scan the QR code.

GOOD LUCK



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EHPS HOUSE POINTS TOTALISER

	Whittlewood	Harlestone	Everdon	Salcey
This week	244	182	255	231
Grand total	4611	4325	4257	4633

HOUSE ASSEMBLY

On Monday, Miss Stryjek, the head of Salcey house, led a whole school house assembly. The focus was on kindness which is one of our school values. Miss Stryjek shared a poem with the children called 'Small Kindnesses' by Danusha Lameris and then went on to read a collaborative poem by young people from around the world that was inspired by Lameris' poem. The collaborative poem detailed the small kindnesses that we appreciate and sweet gestures that fellow humans have offered them. The children thought about what small acts of kindness they appreciate and how can they be kind.

The assembly also looked closely at our house badges and the leaf that each house has on their badge. I wonder if your child / children can tell you which leaf represents their house?

Salcey - Oak

Everdon - Sycamore

Harlestone - Fir

Whittlewood - Beech

Can you spot any of these trees when you are next out for a walk in the woods?



Parent Voice Survey



We are always trying to reflect and improve what we do here at East Hunsbury Primary School and your voice and opinions are very important to us. Please take the time to complete [this survey](#) (one per child) to help us with our evaluations. The closing date is 20th May 2024 at 11.59pm.

If you need any help or support completing it, please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff, the school office, or our pastoral team. We look forward to sharing our results in our end of year Special Edition Newsletter.

[Click here to complete the survey.](#)

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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, Mr Black and Mr Clarke

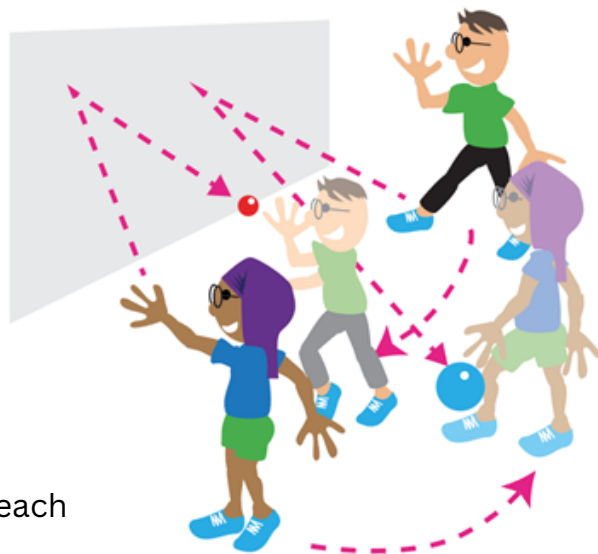
COLLECT A DIFFERENT REBOUND

You will need:

- A ball

Rules of the game:

- Mark out a playing area and both players will roll/throw/kick/strike a ball against a wall and collect each other's rebound before it leaves the playing area.
- See how many times you can do it successfully before a mistake is made and then try to beat your score.



Individually:

- You could still complete this by using a wall on your own.



Mr Clarke's Challenge:

Could you use the opposite hand to send and receive with?

For example:

If you throw with your right hand, could you collect with your left hand?

If you kick with your right foot, could you control it with your left foot?

CENSUS DAY THURSDAY 16TH MAY

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 16th May** 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. There is a dinosaur theme.

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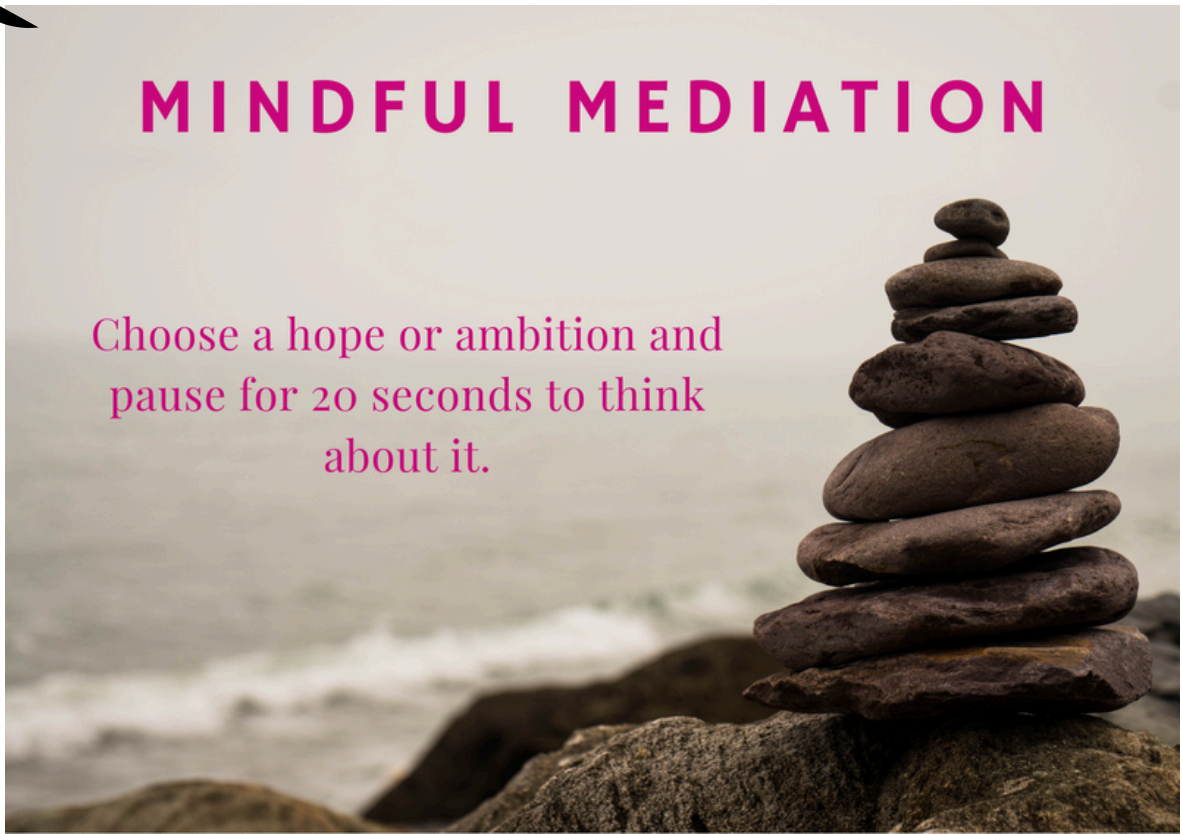
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MINDFUL MEDIATION

Choose a hope or ambition and
pause for 20 seconds to think
about it.



COSY CORNER

Seniors Pop Up Cafe
at East Hunsbury Primary School

TUESDAY 30TH APRIL 10.30 - 11.30
WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY 10.30 - 11.30
TUESDAY 4TH JUNE 10.30 - 11.30
THURSDAY 20TH JUNE 10.30 - 11.30

Come & socialise with us. We'd love to meet you. You'll play board games with the children and have some fun.

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We will be hosting Seniors from our community at our Cosy Corner Cafe. They are invited to come along for free refreshments and cake and to play board games with some children. To help with the catering we're asking for Seniors to book a place, but booking is not essential. If we've run out of tickets when you try to book, don't worry, please just come along. Maybe you child has grandparents who might like to join us? We'd love to meet them.

We would like to thank Northamptonshire Community Foundation for funding this initiative.

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK A PLACE](#)



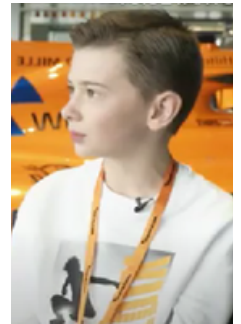
CAREERS CORNER

Loud! is a series of 20 digital films featuring children (aged 7-11) interviewing diverse young professionals (under 30) about their jobs, their challenges and their aspirations, focusing on STEM & the Creative Industries.

They are authentic and naturally engaging films, presented with clarity and great power, introducing young learners to work, enabling a discovery of different jobs set in real-life workplaces.

F1 Race Strategist - Charlie meets Chris Lark

Chris is a Race Strategist with McLaren. This film is shot at McLaren HQ in Surrey. Chris talks about the importance of listening, communication, and creativity. He also talks about working hard and following your passion.

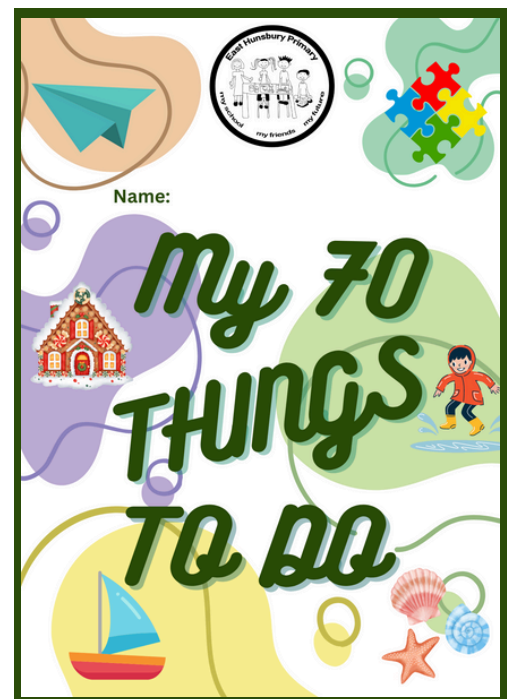


Footballer - Maiya meets Fatima Hussein

Fatima is the winner of the 2019 Best Grassroots Leader award at the UEFA Grassroots Award and UEFA's Bobby Moore Award for leadership skills. Fatima talks about her love for football, the challenges she faced, coming from a Somalian background, and how she overcame them to be a leader.

How many have you completed?

Have you started a scrapbook to document your activities?



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LIBRARY TIME

Some sad news from the Library this week. Unfortunately, a high number of damaged books have been returned to the library this year. We would appreciate your support in ensuring the children are taking care of the books when they are brought home. Please see the library "Book Care Rules".



Please be aware that charges will be applied if books cannot be fixed, due to severe damage.

Some of our most popular books with the children have some damage due to lots of use. If you have any of the below books at home being unused, we would be so grateful for any donations.

Sport Biographies/Sport Non Fiction



Cat Kid

Tom Gates
Collection



Captain Underpants



Diary of the
Wimpy Kid
Collection



Dog Man

Please could you drop any of the above book donations above only to the front office or to Mrs de Chastelain, School Librarian in Year 6.

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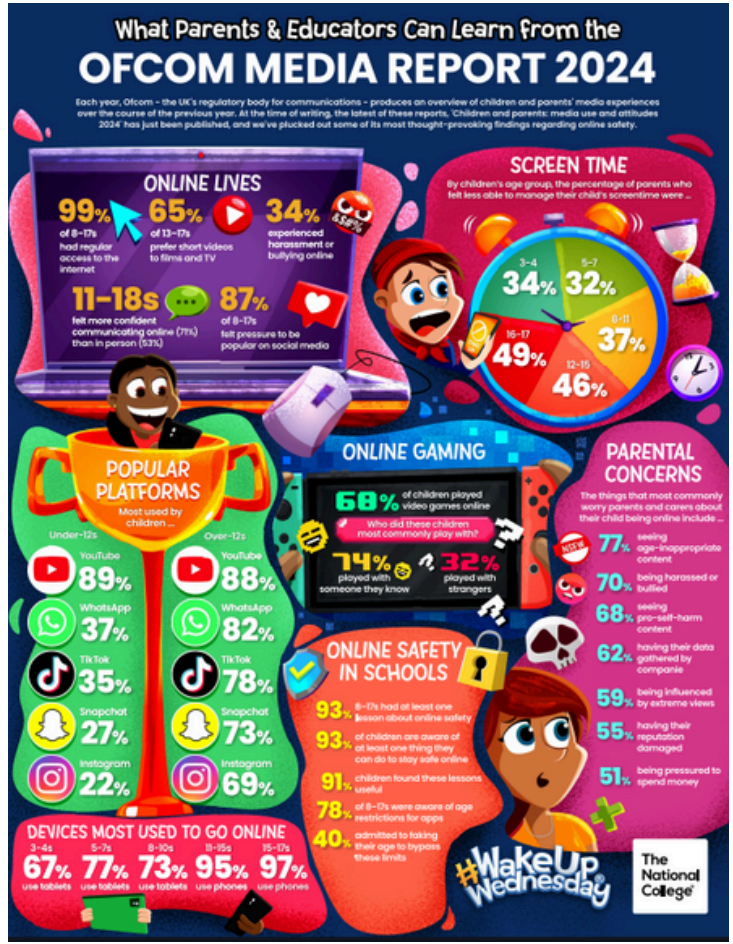
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E-Safety



OF COM Media Report 2024

- 1 YouTube is the most popular platform.
- 2 68% of children played video games online
- 3 77% of parents are concerned about their child seeing age inappropriate content
- 4 87% of 8-17 yr olds feel pressure to be popular on social media.

[Click here for more information](#)

This issue covers...

- 1 WhatsApp
- 2 Smartphone free childhood
- 3 Digital Addiction
- 4 Fake news

[Click here for more information](#)



Online Safety Newsletter May 2024


Smartphone Free Childhood

Smartphone Free Childhood is a parent-led movement whose mission is to protect children from the dangers of using smartphones too young.

The premise behind this movement is that all parents/carers of a class all agree not to give their children smartphones (therefore the level of peer pressure is reduced) for a set time or until a specific age. Are you ready to join? Find out more here: <http://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk>

You may feel your child does need a phone, particularly if they are walking home by themselves but there are alternatives to the smartphone, including a watch, which are listed here: <http://www.internetmatters.org/set-up/alternatives>


If your child already has a smartphone then Internet Matters have a section on their website with advice on smartphone safety: <https://www.internetmatters.org/set-up/safe/>



Is being online affecting our child’s mental health?

There are many positives to being online, but we do need to be aware of the negative aspects including those that may impact our child’s mental health and wellbeing, for example:

- Social media (spending too much time on social media, comparing ourselves to others, filtered images and desire to achieve likes).
- Cyberbullying
- Seeing inappropriate content
- Constantly connected/information overload
- Excessive screentime
- Negative impact on our sleep



Further information

- Childnet discusses digital wellbeing in more detail and includes top tips and conversation starters: <https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/digital-wellbeing/>
- The NSPCC provides further information about mental health including signs to look out for and how to get further support: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/childrens-mental-health/depression-anxiety-mental-health/>

WhatsApp Group warning

Whilst WhatsApp has an age rating of 13+ (recently lowered from 16), a BBC investigation has found that children as young as nine have been added to WhatsApp groups and seen inappropriate content. If your child is using WhatsApp, check their group settings as by default, group privacy settings are set to ‘everyone’, which means anybody can add your child to a group without their approval. You can change this setting to ‘My Contacts’ so only contacts can add them to groups without their approval and if somebody who is not a contact wants to add them to a group then they will need to send them an invite.

You should talk to your child about the risks of joining groups and show them how to use the reporting/blocking tools. You can find out more about the BBC investigation here: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cy04z8n1p9o>

Users of this guide do so at their own discretion. No liability is entered into. Current as of the date released 01.05.24.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE ONLINE SAFETY INFORMATION

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Meaningful May 2024

MONDAY



TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY



1 Do something kind for someone you really care about

2 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do

3 Take a step towards an important goal, however small

4 Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together

5 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why

6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful

7 Make a list of what matters most to you and why

8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today

9 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today

10 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times

11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder

12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you

13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture

14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature

15 Do something to contribute to your local community

16 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better

17 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful

18 Send a handwritten note to someone you care about

19 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful

20 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable

21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about

23 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of

24 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today

25 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why

26 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful

27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others

28 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight

29 Today do something to care for the natural world

30 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost

31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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Dates for your diary

Date	Activity	Time
MAY		
01.05.24	Walk In Wednesday Science	8.30am - 9.15am
13-16.03.24	Yr 6 SATS	Mornings
21.05.24	Year 5 Class Assembly	9.30am - 10.30am
22.05.24	SU Show	Morning
JUNE		
3 - 14.06.24	Yr 4 Multiplication Check	
05.06.24	Yr 4 National Gallery Trip	All day
10.06.24	Sports Day Year 1 including New Uniform for sale	1.30 - 3.00pm
10 - 14.06.24	Careers & Aspirations Week	
12.06.24	Sports Day Year 3 including New Uniform for sale	1.30 - 3.00pm
12.06.24	Y6 STEAM at UoN	All Day
13.06.24	Sports Day Reception	9.30am - 11.00am
14.06.24	Sports Day Year 6	1.30am - 3.00pm
18.06.24	5HD to Derngate for NMPAT Festival	12.15pm
19.06.24	Sports Day Year 4	1.30pm - 3.00pm
19.06.24	Yr 2 & Purple Class to Woburn Safari Park	All day
19.06.24	Walk In Wednesday Science	8.30am - 9.15am

20.06.24	Sports Day Year 2	1.30 - 3.00
21.06.24	Summer Mufti in exchange for tombola prizes	All day
26.06.24	Class photos	All Day
29.06.24	Whole School Summer Fayre (Country dancing & Maypole by Years 2, 5, Purple & Red)	10.00 - 1.00pm
JULY		
02.07.24	Reception & Blue Class Assembly	9.30 - 10.30am
02.07.24	Changemakers event at UoN	All day
03.07.24	SU Sports Morning	9.30 - 11.30am
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



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FOOTBALL HOLIDAY COURSES

DECATHLON

Course Venue	Dates	Ages	Times	Cost
Soccer Schools Goals Abbeyfield School, Mereway, N'pton, NN4 8BT (on astroturf)	Tuesday 28th May to Friday 31st May	5-14	9:00am to 3:30pm	£22 per day

Limited Spaces Available, Book Your Place Today!

Book Online:

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FOOTBALL HOLIDAY COURSES

Course Venue	Dates	Ages	Times	Cost
Girls' Soccer Schools Goals Abbeyfield School, Mereway, N'pton, NN4 8BT (on astroturf)	Wednesday 29th May and Thursday 30th May	7-14	9:00am to 3:30pm	£22 per day

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MULTI-SPORTS HOLIDAY COURSES



Course Venue	Dates	Ages	Times	Cost
Multi-Sports Holiday Courses Goals Abbeyfield School, Mereway, N'pton, NN4 8BT (on astroturf)	Tuesday 28th May and Thursday 30th May	6-17	10:00am to 2:00pm	£10 per day

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Course Venue	Dates	Ages	Times	Cost
Goalkeeper Soccer Schools Goals Abbeyfield School, Mereway, N'pton, NN4 8BT (on astroturf)	Tuesday 28th May and Friday 31st May	7-14	9:00am to 3:30pm	£22 per day

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YOUTH CLUB



Danes Camp Leisure Centre

5-8 years 4.45pm-5.45pm

9-13 years 6pm-7pm

Every Tuesday (Term Time only)

*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.



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Danes Camp Leisure Centre, Clannell Road, NN4 0RX

Book 8 days in advance

via www.trilogyleisure.co.uk

EST. 2005

Grange Park Rangers U9's (going into U10's – 24/25 season, Year 5 from September 24) looking for players to add to their squad for the new season.

Training at Foxfield's Park (NN4) Wednesday evenings 18:00-19:30 throughout the summer.

All positions welcome

If interested, please contact Tristan on 07833725144 or email me on trisd_ryder@yahoo.co.uk



50 YEARS

1877-1970
EVERDON COUNTY SCHOOL

EVERDON...
MEMORIES OF A VICTORIAN VILLAGE SCHOOL
THAT BECAME AN OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTRE

Created and edited by Terry Askew

1974-2024
EVERDON FIELD CENTRE

To celebrate the 50th year anniversary of EVERDON OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTRE this book has been created to share the stories told and memories made in this iconic building.

COME & JOIN US
on 5th & 6th May, 1.00-5.00pm
The Old School, Everdon, Northants NN11 3BL

"Did you know Mrs Reed, a Headmistress of Everdon school who gave her ink pen to a pupil when they left the school?"

