EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

10th October 2025

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families

It's week 6 here. The time is flying by. The air feels cooler and it's darker in the mornings. Our Reception children have settled in amazingly – we are really very proud of them.

RED October

Red October is officially in full swing and it is wonderful to hear children reading every day and the teachers sharing so many stories and recommendations.

The Great Page Race challenge

All children have been introduced to the Great Page Race challenge – this is where every page they read helps their class 'race ahead' – the aim is to read enough pages to race the furthest ahead. At the end of October, the class with the most pages read (without cheating) will be crowned the Great Page Race Champions of 2025! Please encourage your child to read lots at home!



Mufti

Don't forget our mufti dress up day on 24th October (£2 payable on Arbor in Clubs – and all monies raised will go to our library!)

Author visit

And, it's not long until we welcome Sophie Henn author of Bad Nana, I Hate Everything and the Pizazz series to our school. If your child enjoys graphic novels Sophie Henn is amazing! You have until 13th October to buy one of her books for her to sign (they make a great Christmas present). You can make a payment on Arbor in Clubs.

Story Spuds

Will you be decorating a Story Spud (potatoes designed as a story book character)? If you do, please bring them in on 17th October! Last year there were some genius creations! Prizes and house points up for grabs!

Assembly - Hello Yellow

Monday's assembly was led by our Mental Health lead Mrs Roberts who talked all about **Young Minds**.

Young Minds is a charity supporting the mental health of our young people. As it says on their website: Right now, the world can be a tough place for children and young people to grow up in – and they are feeling the pressure. We want young people to know that they don't have to go through this alone. Things can get better.

That is why everyone is wearing yellow today. Whilst there was no expectation to donate, if you would like to – you can do so by clicking here.

Year 3 Harvest Assembly

We also had another wonderful assembly, this time led by our Year 3 children and Purple class which was all about Harvest. We were treated to songs (I particularly loved the Dingle Dangle Scarecrow), poems and smiles. Well done everyone who performed – and thank you to those to donated to our Harvest collection.









Future Leaders

Over the next few weeks, I am excited to share with you who our Future leaders are. Since the start of term, children have been completing application forms, performing speeches and taking part in election processes to decide our leaders who will support in different areas across the school. This week, I am excited to share with you our House Captains. Their role is to support the House Events and be role models for our school.

Salcey	Everdon	Whittlewood	Harlestone
Ollie S	Sophie L-A	Lexie S-F	Polly L
Olivia C	Matteo A	Clara J	Noah Y
Wyatt M	Harley I	Kaidan S	Isaac C

Finally, this week our Year 6s jetted off on their residential! Next week I will share with you the adventures that they got up to! Don't forget next Wednesday is our first WALK IN WEDNESDAY of the term and no surprises here but it will be READING focussed.

Happy Weekend Everyone

Ms Pennington

September 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.

CLICK HERE FOR WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE'S NEWSLETTER

THE HIVE NEWS - ORANGE CLASS

Orange class have had a brilliant start to the new school year. We have had lots of opportunity to work with our friends in Year 4. We started the year with an art focus learning about the life and work of Salvador Dali.





In PE we have rugby with Jamie from The Saints.



Orange Class had some moustache fun together and then joined year 4 to create some 'surrealist' portraits and sculptures. This term we have the opportunity to play the Ukulele. We are learning some great songs as we try hard to play the different notes and chords.

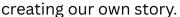


Our class text is "Where the Wild Things Are" so we have had lots of fun having a 'rumpus', making crowns, creating our own 'Wild Things' and thinking about character.

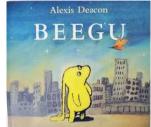


THE HIVE NEWS - YELLOW CLASS

This term we have absolutely loved getting to know the character Beegu the Alien. Some puppies looked after Beegu in the story so we created some friends who could also look after her. We have worked hard in Talk for Writing to text map and learn the story and now cannot wait to start innovating and







In art, we have focused on using different colours, shades and tones. We have used pencils at different pressures to create light and dark colours. We then create gorgeous contrast day and night pictures!













We have also loved going off site at forest school with Year 6.





Attendance News

Whole school average attendance this week was

97.09%

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

	Weekly Attendance	Year Group	Weekly Attendance
Reception	93.71%	1	97.22%
2	98.43%	3	98.33%
4	96.89%	5	96.05%
6	99.23%		



How to report your child's absence

Call: 01604 677971 Email: absence@easthunsburyprimary.org

We cannot authorise holidays during term time so please do not book them.







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.

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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

Just One Tree Day is coming to EHPS!

Our children will be raising money to help plant trees as part of vital reforestation projects around the world. Every donation makes a difference – together, we're helping to restore forests and protect our planet's future.

To celebrate our involvement in this project, the children will be creating a very special EHPS tree display to showcase all those who donate and help to plant trees across the globe.

Watch this space for more information on how your child can take part. We cannot wait to see our EHPS tree grow!

Click the link to find out more.



SAINTS

1880

Who works at East Hunsbury Primary School?

Meet the Team

Hello! My name is Mr Cook and I have worked in a few different roles in a primary school for 4 years now. At my last school I was involved in PE and often went swimming with the year groups to teach them how to swim, as I love to swim and used to swim competitively. This is my first year at EHPS and I am excited to take on the role of sports coach to help the children find their enjoyment of PE.

I am excited to be running after school clubs throughout the year. We started off this half term with tag rugby and multi skills clubs but have plans for new and different clubs throughout the year.

NORTHAMPTON

In my spare time I enjoy keeping my physical fitness up. I enjoy heading to the gym to keep fit as well as meeting with my friends to play sports such as basketball, football, and cricket. My favourite football team is Manchester United, and my favourite rugby team is the Northampton Saints who I go to watch as often as possible.



Remember to minate your child for a shout out if they have done something amazing - then we can put them into our newsletter.

Reception Places September 2026

For children who turn 5 from 1st September 2025 - 31st August 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

NO IDLING CAR ENGINES IN THE CAR PARK PLEASE

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



MUFTI DAY 24th OCTOBER

DRESS AS A BOOK CHARACTER OR BOOK COVER



£2 donation for our library and reading curriculum payable on Arbor in Clubs

Who will you dress up as?

EHPS HOUSE POINTS TOTALISER

Whittlewood

148

Grand total

This week

830

Harlestone

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Everdon

126

759

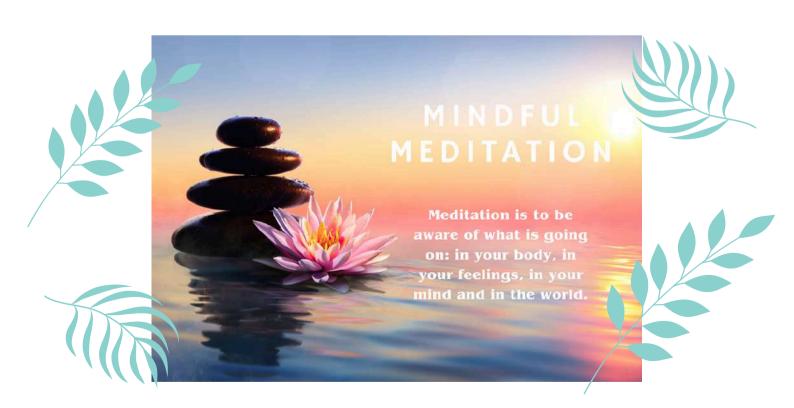


WE ARE A SCHOOL





This includes chocolate spreads
which contain nuts and sushi
which has sesame seeds



Walk in Wednesday dates

15.10.25	Walk in Wednesday - 1 Reading	08:30-9:00	Classroom
17.12.25	Walk in Wednesday 2 - Christmas	08:30-9:00	Classroom
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

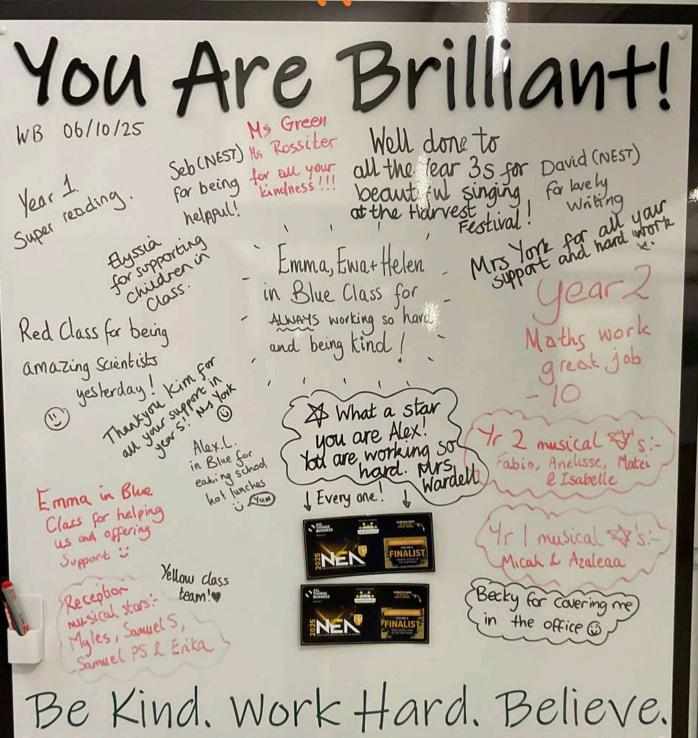
HELPFUL POLICIES

Please refer to these policies which are all on our website (with others you might find useful):



- Behaviour
- Parent Code of Conduct
- Anti Bullying
- Homework
- <u>Uniform</u>
- Mobile Phone
- <u>Drop off/collection, walking home</u>

whe's milian this week?













10.10.25	Hello Yellow - Wear Yellow for Young Minds	No charge
24.10.25	RED October - dress as a book character/book cover	£2 for our library and reading curriculum
28.11.25	Donations for Christmas Hampers	
18.12.25	Christmas Jumpers/Party Day	No charge
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



E-Safety & Wellbeing





what are the risks?

1 Voice Chat

2 Potential for Addiction

3 Scammers in ultimate team

4 Annual release

Click here for more information

Advice for parents

1 Understand how they're feeling

2 Maintain connection

3 Seek professional support

Use age appropriate language

Click here for more information



VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE ONLINE SAFETY INFORMATION





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
	OCTOBER	
15.10.25	Walk In Wednesday Reading	8.30 - 9.00am
15.10.25	KS1 Reading Information Meeting	9.15 - 10.15am
18.10.25	Spooktacular	12.30pm - 3.00pm
18.10.25	Diwali Parade Northampton Town Centre	5.15 - 7.30pm
21.10.25	Individual and Sibling Photographs	All day
24.10.25	Mufti Day for RED October - dress as a book character/cover £2 for our library and reading curriculum	All day
27 - 31.10.25	HALF TERM HOLIDAY	
	NOVEMBER	
03.11.25	TRAINING DAY	All Day
06.11.25	Remembrance Event	10.45 - 11.15
07.11.25	Yr 4 Rainforest Explorer Day	All day
w/c 10.11.25	Antibullying week	
11.11.25	Reception Phonics Information Meeting	9.00am - 11.00am
12.11.25	Positive Noticing Day	All day

12 & 13.11.25	Parents' Evening (Mainstream including Nest)	3.50pm - 6.30pm
12.11.25	The Hive Parents' Evening	3.50pm - 7.00pm
12.11 - 19.11.25	Bookfair	After school
27.11.25	Yr 4 Ukuele Performance	2.45pm - 3.30pm
28.11.25	Mufti - Christmas Hamper Donations	All day
29.11.25	Choir Singing at Hunsbury Festive Fair at Hunsbury Library	2.00pm - 3.00pm
	DECEMBER	
02.12.25	Reception & Blue Trip	All day
05.12.25	Yr 2 & Green Class trip	12.30 - 2.00pm
06.12.25	Christmas Fete	11.00am - 1.00pm
08.12.25	Year 2 & Green Class Assembly	2.30pm - 3.30pm
09.12.25	Reception Nativity	10.00am - 11.00am
09.12.25	Year 5, Red &Yellow Class Trip	All day
10.12.25	Reception Nativity	2.00pm - 3.00pm
11.12.25	iRock Concert	2.45 - 3.15pm
16.12.25	Year 1 Carols by Twinklelight	5.15pm - 6.15pm
17.12.25	Walk In Wednesday Christmas	8.30am - 9.00am
17.12.25	Year 6 & Yellow Christmas Carols & Crafts	2.00 - 3.15pm
17.12.25	End of term reports to families	
18.12.25	Christmas Party Day (Christmas Jumpers and Lunch)	All Day
19.12.25	END OF TERM	

22.12.25 - 2.01.26	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY		
JANUARY			
05.01.26	TRAINING DAY		
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		
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		
MARCH			
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	
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	
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 - 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	ТВС
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	

SUNDAY

Be a realistic optimist. See but focus on

life as it is,

most important

day with the

step towards a goal that really matters to you

Take a small

Start your

thing on your

to-do list

what's good



three things you can look forward to this month Write down

people around the good in you today Look for

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project or task ou have been progress on a Make some avoiding

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three specific

24 Write down

picture or video

of others and focus on what

tackling a task you've put off for some time

Find joy in

expectations

Let go of the

activity to look or exciting Plan a fun

Identify three things that

forward to

matter a year

from now?

progress takes

Remember,

Ask yourself, will this still

yourself today.

Be kind to

goals for the Set hopeful but realistic

days ahead

of your positive qualities that will be helpful Identify one in the future 26 You can't

three priorities What are your do everything! right now?

purpose for the coming month

that brings

Set a goal

a sense of

Happier · Kinder · Together

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

THURSDAY

optimistic about something to be difficult time) (even if it's a Find

important goal with someone you trust Share an

to reflect on Take time recently

cheerful today

reasons to be

news and

for positive

blaming yourself

Avoid

or others. Find

a helpful way

forward

Look out

you want to see positive change step towards a Take a small in society

Put down your

on a problem perspective Find a new

S Benedict's Church







Sat Oct 11th

11:00am 4:00pm



Refreshments: Tea, Coffee & Bacon or Sausage Rolls

St Benedict's Church West Hunsbury NN49UG





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Danes Camp Leisure Centre, Clannell Road, NN4 ORX

OR CALL US ON: 03330 439 900



GIRLS ONLY OCTOBER HALF TERM CAMPS

1-Day Camp (U7-U16) @ cinch Stadium at Franklin's Gardens

Monday 27th October

1-Day Camp (U7-U16) @ Ampthill RFC Tuesday 28th October

1-Day Camp (U9-U16) @ Northampton Casuals

RFC Wednesday 29th October

CONTACT COMMUNITY@NORTHAMPTONSAINTS.CO.UK OR VISIT WWW.NORTHAMPTONSAINTS.CO.UK/COMMUNITY/CAMP-BOOKING