EAST HUNSBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

26th September 2025

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families

It has been another super week here at EHPS and I am very proud of how well the children are working and persevering with their learning. Our units are well underway and I have seen some wonderful writing in particular.

Quick reminder

Please walk through the pedestrian gates rather than through the main gates – it gets very busy with cars and we want to keep our children safe.

Harvest Assembly

Assembly this week was led by our brilliant Vicar Griff and it was all about Harvest. The children loved learning all about this special time and they also enjoyed a sing-song (did you know that we are trying to do more signing in our assemblies – it's really good for the soul.).



It isn't long until Year 3 and Purple class do their Harvest Assembly (6th October 2pm Thank you to all our families who have donated some dried or tinned food for our school foodbank. Every item is so gratefully received and you are still welcome to drop food in to your child's class teacher.

Election Week

This week was our school election week where we appointed our class Parliamentarians and school House Captains. These are very special roles in our school and next week I will share with you who the 'chosen' ones are. Well done to everyone who applied – we are really impressed with your bravery to have a go and put yourselves forward.

September 2026 tours...

Thursday saw the start of our New Intake mornings where we show families who are interested in their child starting our school in September 2026 around. It is moments like this that make me so proud to be a Headteacher as no matter what, the school is always brimming with learning, love and laughter and it is a privilege to show external families 'The East Hunsbury way.' If you know of any child due to start school in September, please do encourage their families to book onto one of our open days or evenings.

Click here to book

or scan the QR code



Hedgehogs

Forest School and Outdoor Learning is something that we are passionate about at EHPS and it is wonderful to see the return of our pre-school Forest School sessions (Hedgehogs) which are led by our brilliant Mrs Normington. Look at the fun they are having!



Playing and learning outside gives children the chance to move, explore, and burn off energy while building confidence and staying healthy. It also sparks their curiosity, helps them solve problems, and teaches them how to get along with others as they play and discover together.



Key Instant Recall Facts - Kirfs

Like reading, knowing your numbers is really important to your child's academic progress. Each term, your teacher will send home a set of KIRFs for your child to learn. PLEASE take time over the week to learn these with you child/ren as they really do make a difference. Plus... read.

Have a brilliant weekend everyone

Ms Pennington

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



PARKING

We have received several complaints from local residents about inconsiderate and dangerous parking this week.



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

THE HIVE NEWS - PURPLE CLASS

Purple Class have enjoyed a wonderful start back in The Hive and in particular, we really enjoyed meeting and training with professional boxer, Hannah Beharry!











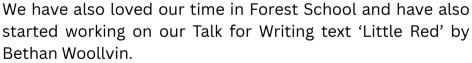
















We have been keeping our bodies strong by taking part in rugby sessions with Jamie as well as using our PE climbing equipment. Well done Purple Class for a brilliant start to the new school year!



Neil - Purple Class Teacher

Attendance News

Whole school average attendance this week was

96.60%

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

	Weekly Attendance	Year Group	Weekly Attendance
Reception	98.22%	1	97.65%
2	97.12%	3	98.03%
4	94.74%	5	94.25%
6	96.38%		



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.



Please read if your child receives Free School Meals

To ensure you receive your Holiday Food Vouchers in October you MUST click this link and complete the form as soon as possible otherwise your vouchers will be delayed. If you don't complete the form you will not receive your food vouchers. You can also apply for a Winter Coat voucher using the same link.



Click here to apply for your Holiday Food vouchers if your child receives Free School Meals.

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.



CENSUS DAY

To help our school, if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in mainstream or the SU please order a school lunch for 2nd October on School Grid even if your child usually has packed lunch and won't eat the school lunch. They can still bring in and eat packed lunch as usual. Part of our school budget is decided on how many infant lunches are ordered. School lunch for EYFS & KS1 children is free so you will not be charged. Our meal provider puts on an extra special menu on Census Day.

If you haven't logged on to School Grid before or need some help with it, please give the office a call.





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



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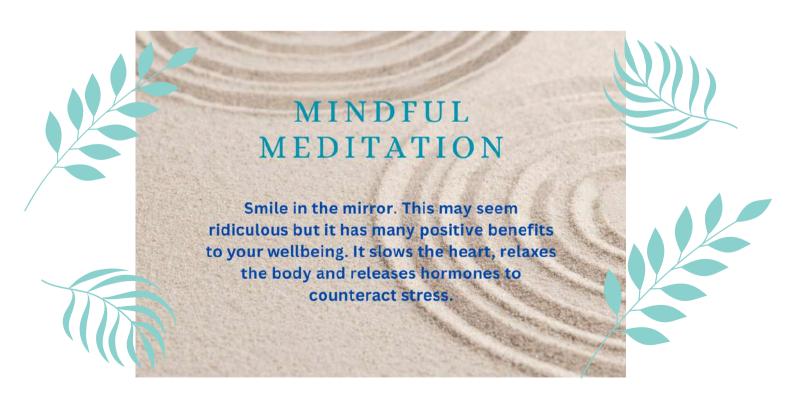


We're inviting children to wear yellow on World Mental Health Day (Friday 10th October) day to raise vital funds and show children and young people they're not alone with their mental health. There is no charge from school but you can make a donation by clicking the <u>Young Minds link</u>.

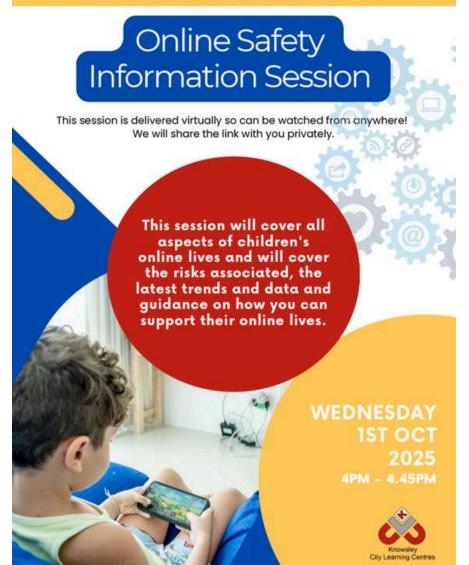
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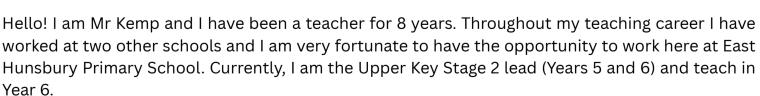
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THE SESSION
WEDNESDAY 1ST OCT 4PM

If you would like to attend the session at school please <u>click</u>
<u>here</u> to book a place.



Who works at East Hunsbury Primary School?

Meet the Team



This will be my fifth year teaching in a Year 6 class. Year 6 is a special year. I get to guide the children through their SATs, prepare them to make the next big jump in their education to secondary school and I get to accompany them on their residential. It is always lovely to see them mature through their final year at primary school!

Outside school, I enjoy golfing, playing football in a Sunday league team and spending time with friends and family completing various pub quizzes in my local area.

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

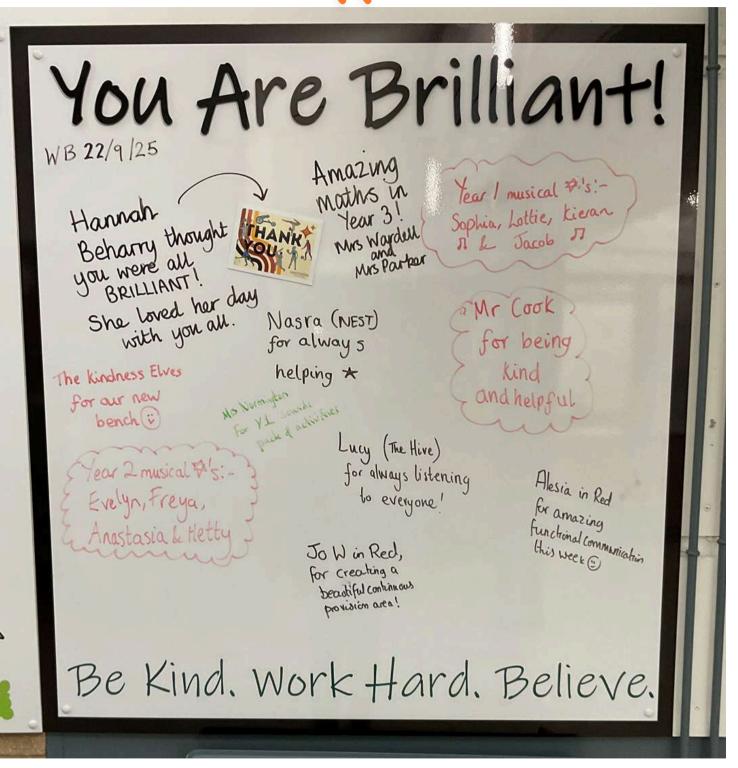
HELPFUL POLICIES

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>

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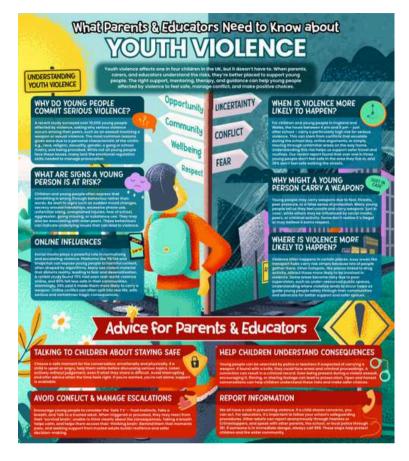


10.10.25	Hello Yellow - Wear Yellow for Young Minds	No charge
24.10.25	RED October - dress as a book character/book cover	£2 for our library and reading curriculum
28.10.25	Donations for Christmas Hampers	
18.12.25	Christmas Jumpers/Party Day	No charge
13.03.26	Donations for Chocolate Hampers	
21.03.26	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





Advice for Parents

1 Talk to child

Talk to children about staying safe

2

Help children understand consequence

3

Avoid conflict and manage escalations

4

Report information

Click here for more information

What are the risks?



Screen addiction



Accessibility



Inappropriate content



Artificial Intelligence

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.

Just to bring to your attention (and dare I say it) our Christmas Fete is only 13 weeks away on Saturday 6th December. Please pop the date into your diaries as the excitement for our Christmas hampers builds...

Date	Activity	Time
	SEPTEMBER	
30.09.25	School of Life	10 - 11.30am
	OCTOBER	
02.10.25	Day at the movies - Census Day All Reception, Yr 1 & Yr 2 Book school lunch via School Grid	
06.10.25	Year 3 & Purple Class Harvest Assembly	2.00 - 3.00pm
07.10.25	School of Life	10.00-11.30am
08 - 10.10.25	Yr 6 to PGL	3 days
10.10.25	Hello Yellow (wear Yellow for Young Minds - no charge)	All day
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
06.12.25	Christmas Fete	11am - 1pm
08.12.25	Year 2 & Green Class Assembly	2.30pm - 3.30pm
09.12.25	Reception Nativity	10.00am - 11.00am

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
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	
22.04.25	Earth Day	All Day
29.04.26	Walk in Wednesday Reading	8.30 - 9.00am
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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	TBC
27.06.25	Whole School Summer Fayre (Country dancing & Maypole by Years 2, 5, Purple & Yellow)	11.00 - 1.30pm
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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
17.06.26	END OF TERM	

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NPAT Academic Calendar 26/27

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Tuesday 1st Sept 2026

Thursday 25th Mar 2027 (*disaggregated)

Teacher Training Days



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Free Family Fun

Crafts, stories and food. Sunday 28th Sept

3.30 - 5.00pm





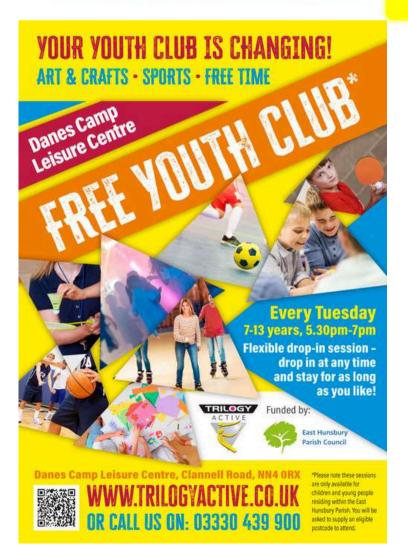
Crafts, story and food, for families with children <u>under 12</u>
Tea, coffee and cake for adults.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.
BOOKING advisable

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Refreshments: Tea, Coffee & Bacon or Sausage Rolls

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