

TERM 3 – 30th January 2026



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East Huntspill Primary



THIS SCHOOL IS NUT FREE



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Dear Families,

It is a funny old time of the year - Christmas seems a long time ago, it feels like January has lasted for at least 3 months, the clocks don't change for another couple of months etc...However, what is fabulous about this time of year though is for that 'head down, keep going-type' practice that builds our resilience and it helps build resilience in our children too.

All of us every now and again need a reassuring hug to let us know it is going to be ok and as a school we try to do that for our children every day - but us who work in our schools need that too. We too are carers, parents and like you we have hectic busy lives. We all need to be mindful of what we all need and sometimes just stop and think about how we react and if it is sometimes, just a little too quick without stopping and thinking.

We pride ourselves in being fully inclusive schools - it is not only our moral but our legal duty to educate all children. We all need to remain kind, calm and consistent and we really, really do appreciate your support with this - it makes everything easier for everyone.

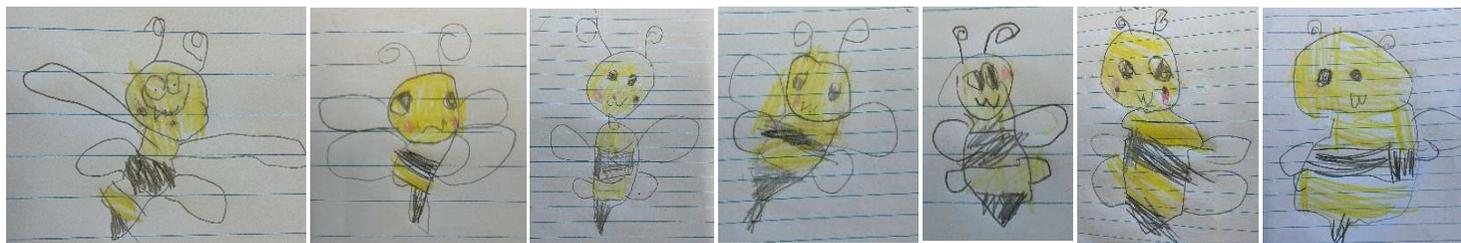
Emma Barker

Head Teacher

HAWTHORN CLASS



This week, Hawthorn class were transported to the village of Itching Down as we explored the classic rhyming story, The Giant Jam Sandwich. The children have enjoyed the tale of four million wasps and the town's ingenious (and very messy!) plan to trap them. Today, the classroom was buzzing with creativity as the children carefully observed the book's illustrations to inspire their very own wasp drawings.



ROLLER SKATING AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

This term the pupils have really enjoyed taking part in our Roller Skating after school club, provided by Beyond Skate. Pupils have learnt new skills each week and have had tremendous fun throughout the term. Just look at all those smiles!



Under the Education Act 1996, it is a parent or carer's responsibility to ensure their child's regular attendance at school. This means that children must be in attendance every time school is open, unless they are prevented from doing so by reason of illness or any unavoidable cause. As a school we monitor attendance throughout the year and we regularly contact families of children with low attendance. If your child has an attendance of 90% they miss out on 4 1/2 weeks of schooling each year. We know that low attendance leads to low outcomes and we are committed to working with families to improve attendance and outcomes for all of our pupils. If you are worried about your child's attendance, or you have recently received an attendance letter, please contact us to arrange a meeting and discuss support that we can help put in place. You will find a link to the TPLT Attendance Policy on our website if you require further information.

TERM DATES 2025 - 2026 / 2026 - 2027

Term 1	Start Monday 1 st September 2025 (INSET DAY) End Friday 24 th October 2025
Term 2	Start Monday 3 rd November 2025 (INSET DAY) End Friday 19 th December 2025
Term 3	Start Monday 5 th January 2026 (INSET DAY) End Friday 13 th February 2026
Term 4	Start Monday 23 rd February 2026 (INSET DAY) End Thursday 2 nd April 2026
Term 5	Start Monday 20 th April 2026 End Friday 22 nd May 2026
Term 6	Start Monday 1 st June 2026 (INSET DAY) End Tuesday 21 st July 2026

Term 1	Start Monday 7 th September 2026 (Thurs 3 rd & Friday 4 th September 2026 INSET DAYS) End Friday 23 rd October 2026
Term 2	Start Monday 2 nd November 2026 End Friday 18 th December 2026
Term 3	Start Monday 4 th January 2027 End Friday 12 th February 2027
Term 4	Start Monday 22 nd February 2027 End Thursday 25 th March 2027
Term 5	Start Monday 12 th April 2027 End Friday 28 th May 2027
Term 6	Start Monday 7 th June 2027 End Friday 23 rd July 2027

More information on INSET DAYS will follow

WEBSITE LAUNCH

We are pleased to announce our brand new website is now LIVE!! Please visit the below link to view:

www.easthuntspillprimary.org.uk

Did you know we have a new website? Please take a look at all the latest news and events, along with a host of useful information, including term dates, job vacancies and class pages.

IMPORTANT

PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE BOOKED YOUR CHILD'S LUNCHES

Aspens

[HTTPS://SELECT.ASPENS-SERVICES.COM](https://select.aspens-services.com)

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Each term we celebrate a different value throughout the school - all as important as the other, to help us be the best citizens of the world we can be.

- term 1: Curiosity
- term 2: Respect
- term 3: Creativity
- term 4: Hope
- term 5: Resilience
- term 6: Courage

Aspens

PLEASE HELP FILL IN THIS SURVEY FROM ASPENS

THE MORE RESPONSES WE GET THE BETTER, THIS GIVES ASPENS THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET FIRST HAND FEEDBACK, TO STREAMLINE THE SERVICES THEY PROVIDE AND FUNDAMENTALLY LEARN EXACTLY WHAT THEIR CUSTOMERS WANT, WHAT THEY DO WELL AND MOST IMPORTANTLY WHAT THEY COULD IMPROVE ON.

<https://forms.gle/3Ve4kzyjQ18U5icj6>

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VALENTINE'S BAKE SALE

FRIDAY 13TH FEBURARY

PLEASE BRING CAKE DONATIONS TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON FRIDAY MORNING.

BREAKFAST CLUB

DAILY SLOTS NOW AVAILABLE TO BOOK
VISIT WEDUC - PAYMENTS - PARENT PAY

£ 8:00 AM EVERY DAY
£2.50 PER SESSION PER CHILD

PRE-BOOKING ONLY,
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

YEOVIL TOWN FC AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

FRIDAYS - TERM 3

DOES YOUR CHILD LOVE FOOTBALL?

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE COACHING FROM A PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALLER. COME ALONG AND TRY A FREE TASTER SESSION BOOK VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE

W E R A

CHARTERHOUSE

2026

6 MONTHS TO GO !

REMINDER THAT PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE AT ANY TIME THROUGH THE REACH MORE PARENTS (WEDUC) APP: PAYMENTS SECTION. YOU CAN PAY THIS IN ANY INSTALMENT AMOUNT OF YOUR CHOOSING AS LONG AS THE FULL BALANCE IS RECEIVED BY 8TH MAY

February Half-Term Camps

Northgate, Bridgwater Woolavington Primary The Blue School, Wells

Monday 16th - Friday 20th February

9.00am - 3.00pm (early and late available at Northgate)

Multisports & Football Champions League Camps

For children aged 4-12 who have started school

£20 per day

Whole week and sibling discount available

To book scan the QR code below or visit <https://inspiredschools.ipalbookings.com>

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HOLIDAY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAYS

BURNHAM AND HIGHBRIDGE

16TH FEBRUARY-20TH FEBRUARY 2025

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

If you would like to advertise your holiday activity next holiday, please email Alyons@sasp.co.uk

FEBRUARY HT HOLIDAYS

BURNHAM/HIGHBRIDGE

MONDAY 16TH	TUESDAY 17TH	WEDNESDAY 18TH	THURSDAY 19TH	FRIDAY 20TH
<p>Tennis Extreme Tennis Camp Age: 4-9 Cost: £18 per day Times: 9:30am - 12:30pm Avenue Tennis club, TAB 2PA To book</p>	<p>Tennis Extreme Tennis Camp Age: 4-9 Cost: £18 per day Times: 9:30am - 12:30pm Avenue Tennis club, TAB 2PA To book</p>	<p>Burnham Library/RSPCA Activity: Craft Age: 5-12 Approx. Cost: Free 10am-2pm Burnham Library, TAB 1EH Drop-in, no booking required</p>		<p>SASP Girl's activity day Age: Year 7-11 Cost: Free 11am-2pm At King Alfred's school, TA9 3EE</p>
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SOCIAL MEDIA & COMMUNICATION

All written communication will be sent through our Weduc (Reach more parents) app. It is really important that you sign up to this to ensure you are kept informed of upcoming events and important notices. You can also use this to report your child's absence from school through illness or complete changes in parental consent. We also have a new Facebook page called **East Huntspill Primary School**. After September we will be disabling our old Huntspill Federation Page so please do give us a like and a follow. If you need to contact us please give us a call or email.

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LOCAL JOB VACANCIES

WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PART TIME VACANCIES ACROSS OUR LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS. PLEASE POP INTO A SCHOOL FOR MORE INFORMATION OR VISIT WWW.THEPLT.ORG.UK/CAREERS

LUNCHTIME ASSISTANT 11.25 HRS A WEEK
- WEST HUNTSPELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR 5 HOURS A WEEK
- EAST HUNTSPELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

PRESCHOOL ASSISTANT 13 HOURS A WEEK
- WEST HUNTSPELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT 15 HOURS A WEEK
- PAWLETT PRIMARY SCHOOL

SAFEGUARDING

If you have any Safeguarding concerns or just need to speak to a member of Staff confidentially you can book an appointment with our School Designated Safeguarding Lead, Hannah Bakary or our Deputy Safeguarding Leads, Emma Barker or Lorraine Moffatt.



You could also make an appointment to speak to Little Learner's Designated Safeguarding Lead Catherine Riley



If you are worried about a child or young person who could be in danger, please contact:

Children's Social Care on 0300 123 2224
Email: childrens@somerset.gov.uk
Police: 101 or in an emergency 999

LITTLE LEARNERS

What a lovely two weeks we have had here at Little Learners. The children have been tasting different snacks and making choices on their favourites. They have seemed to really enjoy our story of Stickman and all the activities linked with this.

We will be starting up our stay and play sessions again from next week. Do you know anyone looking for a preschool from September 2026? If so these sessions would be a great way to come in and get a feel for the preschool. Don't forget we still have our refer a friend offer. Please speak to a member of the team for more details.



Are you looking for a Preschool for September 2026? Come and try our Stay and Play sessions with Preschool Leader Cat. Little Learners is part of East Huntspill Primary Academy.

MON 2ND FEB 2:15 - 3PM	Playdough fun Come and explore playdough and how to make it at home with Cat Location - preschool classroom
TUES 10TH FEB 9:40 - 10:15	Valentines Fun Come and join Cat in making Valentines day cards and treats Location - preschool classroom
TUES 24TH FEB 9:40 - 10:15	Yoga Bend and stretch with Cat for a yoga session in the school hall Location - school hall
MON 2ND MARCH 2:15 - 3PM	Octopants Come on down to listen to our story of Octopants and join in making your own funky fish Location - preschool classroom

For more details and to book your space on these sessions please email eastlittlelearners@thpa.theplt.org.uk or call 01278 782453

Little Learners @ East Huntspill PLACES AVAILABLE IN SEPTEMBER

Full and part time preschool places for
2, 3 and 4 year olds

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