

# East Harptree C of E Primary School Newsletter 1

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023



Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Community Farm trip – Y2 and Y3
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Lifeskills trip – Y6
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day of term
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET Day
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Half Term
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	First day of term
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual and sibling school photos
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Invasion Festival – Y3 and Y4
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	INSET Day
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Flu immunisations
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Christmas Market – Village Hall
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity performance (am)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity performance (pm)
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our Stars of the Week and Head teacher Award Winners



Ewan, Clarabel, Sophie, Marnie, Ethan, Esme, Poppy, Layla

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope that you have had an enjoyable summer break. As we embark on a new academic year, I am delighted to welcome you all back to our school community. The start of a new school year is always a time filled with excitement, anticipation, and endless possibilities.

First and foremost, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new children and families who have joined us this year. We are thrilled to have you as part of our school family.

This year, our whole school theme is trees and the children have been busy creating collaborative pieces of artwork and thinking about why trees are so important. There are so many links with learning and our school values. This term we will also be focusing on the value of hope.

Mr Harvey



### **Welcome to our new Reception children**

I am such a proud teacher of the Hedgehog children this week. The Reception children have settled really well into their first week of school. We have started to learn about our routine and where things go in the classroom, as well as how to be a good friend to others and exploring all the resources we have. The year 1's have been so welcoming and really helped support our new children! Fingers crossed our first full time week next week goes just as well! Mrs Haskins x



### Requests for leave of absence during term time

A reminder that the LSP Attendance Policy states that absences should only be granted in exceptional circumstances and a family holiday does not constitute such an exception.

The Lighthouse Schools Partnership policy is in line with the May 2022 statutory guidance to schools. In almost all cases a request for a holiday in term time will have to be refused and if the unauthorised holiday is for 5 or more full days it will incur a Penalty Notice.

### School Expectations

Please send your child to school with a bottle of water every day (no squash or juice please). Please book your child a school dinner through the Aspens or with a healthy packed lunch. Please note we are a nut free school as some children have allergies.

Please send your children into school with the correct school uniform every day. PE kit should be worn on Tuesdays. Please provide your child with a sunhat in the current hot weather and sun cream already applied. A coat should be worn when the weather is cooler, so they can play outside as often as possible and we can get the children outside at lunchtimes and play times.

School gate closes at 9am and opens at 3.25 pm ready for 3.30 pm collection.

<b>Term Dates</b>	<b>Academic Year 2023-24</b>
Inset Day	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2023
Inset Day	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
<b>Term 1</b>	<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023 – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023</b>
Inset Day	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023
Half Term Holiday	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2023 – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023
<b>Term 2</b>	<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023</b>
Inset Day	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2023
Christmas Holiday	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 – Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2024
<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b>
Half Term Holiday	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024 – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b>
Easter Holiday	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
<b>Term 5</b>	<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024 – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024</b>
Half Term Holiday	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2024
Inset Day	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024
<b>Term 6</b>	<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024 – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024</b>

The United Parish of East with West Harptree and Hinton Blewett



invites you and your family to join us to celebrate

### Education Sunday

**at 10.30am on Sunday 10th September in East Harptree Church**

It will be an informal, family-friendly service (no communion) of about an hour – with refreshments afterwards

Please join us to celebrate the joys of life-long learning and to give thanks for those working in education

 **CLOTHES COLLECTION** 

☀️ If you would like to donate any clothing including shoes, bags or belts in reusable condition please pop them into black bags and either message Victoria Walker on 07878689770 to arrange delivery or Victoria will be parked outside the church Friday 6th October 9am till 9.15am to receive deliveries ☀️



**Raise funds by collecting reusable clothes**

RAISE FUNDS SCHOOLS CLUBS GROUPS

Spring Term: £  
Autumn Term: £  
Summer Term: £  
Total Value: £

**WE ACCEPT CLEAN, GOOD QUALITY, DRY, REUSABLE CLOTHING**

Adults, Childrens & Babies Clothing  
Jewellery and Accessories  
Played Shoes and Footwear  
Belts and Handbags

**WE DO NOT ACCEPT POOR QUALITY ITEMS SUCH AS DIRTY, WET, RIPPED OR SOILED CLOTHES, PILLOWS, DUVETS, CURTAINS, BOOKS, CDS OR ANY UNIFORM!**

If you are unsure what to put in the bags **STOP AND THINK WOULD YOU WEAR IT?**

Please use the clothing bag provided. You can also use any additional bag if required.

Collection Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please remember - NO UNIFORM



**CHEW VALLEY FOXES**

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**GIRLS FOOTBALL AND FA WILDCATS CENTRE**

**FUN FOOTBALL COACHING WITH FA LICENCED COACHES EVERY SATURDAY MORNING 9.30 - 10.30AM**

**AT BISHOP SUTTON REC BS39 5XQ 5 YRS+ FOR MORE DETAILS CALL OR PM STEVE ON 07548 729429**

**Wild CATS** **Have Fun!** **Make Friends** **Play Football**



**Kid Carpet & The Noisy Garden Centre Saturday 16th September 2023**

**2.30pm, St Andrews Church Hall, Chew Magna**

Kid Carpet really wants to win the Royal Fancy Garden Contest. The Noisy Animals really want to run a garden centre. It's a perfect match! Nothing could possibly go wrong. Surely first prize is in the bag?

Featuring their signature relaxed performance style of catchy songs, lo-fi puppetry, video magic and audience participation!

**For more info and tickets, click the link: [Kid Carpet & The Noisy Garden Centre - 16 Sept 2023 - Valley Arts Centre](#)**