



# Edgewood Primary School

## Building skills and values for life

Friday, 18 October 2024

### Newsletter

We have had a great first half term, it has been very busy in school and I'm sure all the children are ready for a break! I'd like to remind parents to please order your child's school meal by the Sunday evening for the following week. We do cook our meals to order to ensure that we do not have a lot of food waste. We have increasing numbers of children turning up to school with no packed lunch and no school meals ordered. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Ed Seeley  
Headteacher

### Attendance

**Congratulations to Azul class for a weekly attendance of 99.89%**



Please remember to report absences for children daily – even if we have sent them home the day before. Thank you.

### Diary dates for this term

#### **October**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Last day of half-term

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October - Secondary school applications close

#### **November**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – School re-opens to all children

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Bonfire Night Firework Display

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Special School Dinner Day

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November -Parents/Guardians Invitation to look at children's work

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November – KS2 Author visit

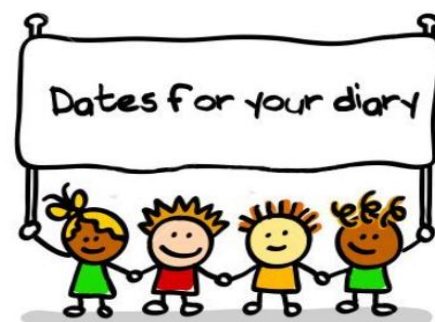
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November Parents Evenings – Online appointments



Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November – Prospective parents meeting at 4pm for F2 September 2025 starters.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Flu Vaccination Day

#### **December**

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – School Christmas Dinner Day



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NG15 6HX

## Class Achievers

On Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November, we will celebrate the achievements of the following children for being our half termly achievers. Rainbow class' achiever will be celebrated in their classroom.

Nursery & Reception		Years 1 & 2		Years 3 & 4		Years 5 & 6	
<u>Rainbow</u>	<b>Harrison</b>	<u>Blue</u>	<b>Sofia</b>	<u>Amarillo</u>	<b>Harrison</b>	<u>Azul</u>	<b>Marny</b>
<u>Green</u>	<b>Niamh</b>	<u>Orange</u>	<b>Charlie</b>	<u>Rosa</u>	<b>Theo</b>	<u>Morado</u>	<b>Freya</b>
<u>Red</u>	<b>Chase</b>	<u>Yellow</u>	<b>Riley</b>	<u>Verde</u>	<b>Rosanna</b>	<u>Rojo</u>	<b>Lilly Hol</b>

## Author Visit

All the children in EYFS and KS1 enjoyed a visit from local author Emily Wensley on Monday. Emily shared her book 'The Giant at Number Two' with us and told the story with props. The children all listened very carefully and I'm sure we have some aspiring young authors amongst us! Thanks to Emily for a great morning!



## Parent Craft Session

Rainbow, Red and Green class had lots of fun on Thursday with their parents and carers during the Autumn theme craft sessions. They enjoyed showing their grown-ups around their classrooms and sharing what we have been learning about over the last few weeks. We look forward to hosting another craft session next term.

## Poppy Appeal 2024

The Poppy Appeal is the Royal British Legion's biggest fundraising campaign held every year in November. If you would like to donate by purchasing any of the below items, please drop by our reception during office hours.



## **Stone Age Day**

Last week, Years 3/4 travelled back to the Stone Age and the children thoroughly enjoyed completing activities throughout the day. It was fantastic to see so many children dressed up and working sensibly with their peers. They had the opportunity to build a Neolithic home, learn about Stonehenge, be a hunter-gatherer and make their own tools.



## **The Hucknall Dispatch- First Class Souvenir Edition**

The Hucknall Dispatch is delighted to be bringing back their special First-Class souvenir edition on 22nd November 2024, marking all-important first days at primary school. This edition will feature full colour photographs of Reception classes sent in from schools across the area- including Edgewood! This is a lovely celebration to welcome your child at the beginning of their school journey, and a keepsake for you and your family. The copies will be available in shops from November 22nd for a week, but demand will be high, so to avoid possible sell out disappointment, or for family members out of the area, Hucknall Dispatch are giving you the chance to pre-order your postal keepsake edition.

Postal Pre-order Price is £3.85 for one copy or £6.30 for two. This includes a 20% discount on the cover price plus postage. Order by Phone: 0330 403 3004 (lines are open 9.30am - 4.30pm Monday to Friday) or online. Please visit [hucknelldispatch@eventbrite.co.uk](mailto:hucknelldispatch@eventbrite.co.uk). Please note that website orders are subject to additional fees which are set and charged by Eventbrite.

Order Deadline: 19th November 2024

Delivery: Copies will be posted to the address supplied in your order via Royal Mail's Tracked 24 service on the day of publication. You will be notified via email/SMS once dispatched with your Tracking Number. If you do not want your child to appear in the photograph, please contact the school office. Photographs will be

published in the newspaper and may also feature on our website. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Hucknall Dispatch on 0330 403 3004 or via email at [specialitions@nationalworld.com](mailto:specialitions@nationalworld.com).

## Competition time

We have two specialist rooms in school that are yet to have a poster on their door! It would be amazing if these could be designed by the children who attend our school. We would like them to be based on symbol principles, so black and white and simple lines. You can include a little bit of colour if you wish and include words.

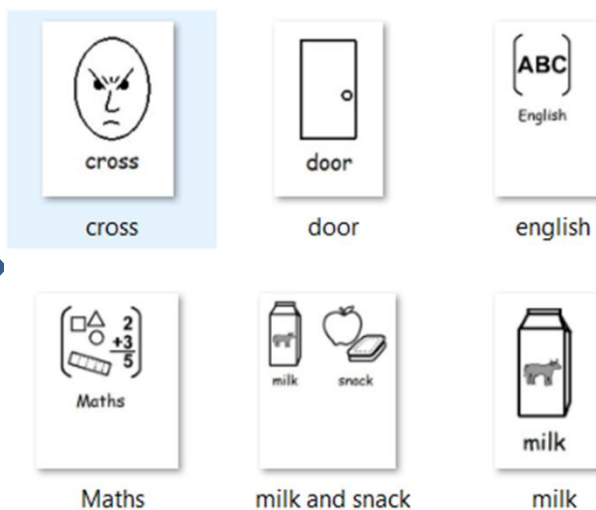
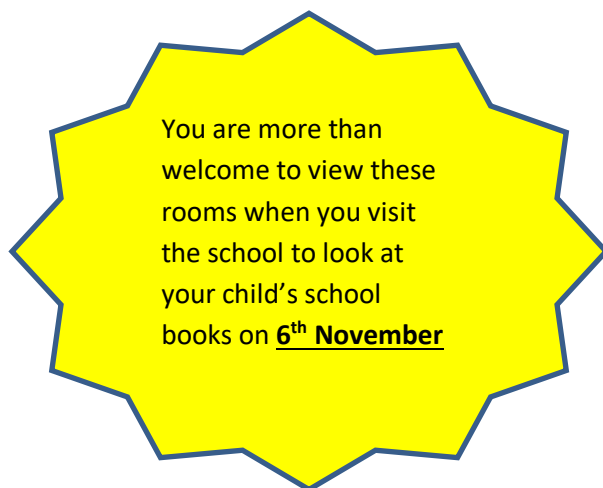
ARK – Acts of Random Kindness

HIVE – Healthy Inclusive Valued Education

Both rooms in school support children with their mental health and well-being when extra support is required. Staff support children to recognise their emotions and develop social skills when working with others.

If you would like to participate, please ensure your design is returned to school by **6th November**. There is a template below if you wish to use it. The school council will then have a very difficult decision to make. We will announce the winners during the first week back.

Examples of symbols



**ARK**

**HIVE**

## **School Photos**

The school photos are now live! A message from Carmel Jane Photography:

We are excited to share that the photographs are ready and they look amazing! If you pre-registered, please check your inbox for your unique access link. If not, please contact us on [www.carmeljane.co.uk/pre-registration-support](http://www.carmeljane.co.uk/pre-registration-support) and quote your unique code: **JRDP4JMNFJ** - There are limited time discounts available, so act fast! All photographs will be sent straight to your home address.

## **PTA NEWS:**

### **Bonfire Night Firework Display 05/11/24**

The bonfire part of the newsletter that tickets will no longer be available on the night due to the high volume of sales we have had, we know this may be disappointing for some people but as a gesture of goodwill we are putting them on sale at 25% off online only on Saturday the 19th and Sunday the 20th of October, grab them before it's too late at <https://edgewoodpta.sumupstore.com>

## **Big Button**

Following on from our last firework event, pre-covid, children can be entered into a prize draw to be selected to press the button to start the fireworks on the night. Entry for this is £1 per child and can be purchased from reception during school hours. Please look out for a form in your child's bag if you wish to get involved.

## **ASDA REWARDS**

Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who are making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024.

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

## **Scholarpack parents app**

Please can we ask as many parents as possible to download and use the Scholarpack app. This will save school money on the text messages being sent out every day as app messages are free for school! You will need a link-up code, which the office can provide for you. The app can be downloaded from either the Apple Store or Google Play Store. Thank you



## **School Flu Vaccination**

Please see below from the Nottingham Immunisation team. Please note the flu vaccination is a painless nasal spray, not an injection.

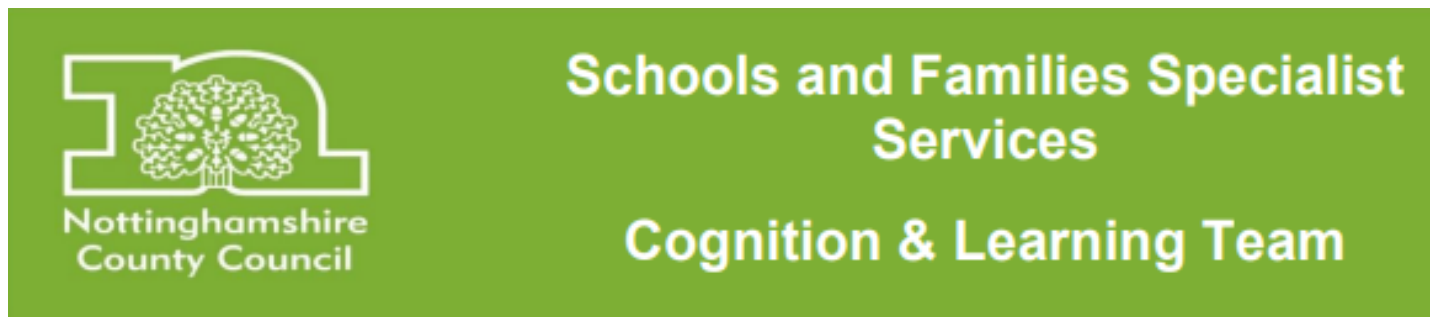
*Dear Parent/Guardian*

*If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to complete an online consent form. If you would like to decline, please complete a no consent form on the attached link.*

<https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/2968e67f>

**The vaccinations will take place at your child's school on the 29.11.24. The link will close on the 14.11.24. If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since beginning of Sept 2024, please disregard this message.**

**If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 4, option 2.  
Nottinghamshire School Immunisation Service**



## **NOTTS PARENT EVENT: i-Pad Apps for Learners with SEN**

If you have an i-Pad but aren't sure what apps you could use, the app store has more content than you could ever cope with and you haven't got the time or understanding of what to look for. During this session we will look at some of the free and low-cost apps you could use to support your child, as well as using some of the features built-in to the iPad to help make them more accessible whilst retaining control

- Free apps
- Low-cost apps
- Accessibility
- Peripheral devices
- Strategies for managing the iPad

Having an iPad with you will be useful if you want to download the apps during the session: you will need credit on your device if you want to install them. Details of the apps demonstrated and discussed will be shared after the event.

**Course Details:** Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024 – 1:00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.

VENUE: LOCO CENTRE (Part of NETHERFIELD FORUM)

St George's Centre, 91 Victoria Centre, Netherfield, Nottingham NG4 2NN

The course presenters will be Neil Oldbury and Jane Hare from the Cognition & Learning Team, Schools & Families Specialist Services (SFSS)

PLEASE NOTE: There event is FREE so there is no charge to attend

TO BOOK Ctrl + Click Link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/notts-parent-event-i-pad-apps-for-learners-with-sen-tickets-1030907962467>

Closing date: Tuesday, 19th November 2024 at 12:00 noon

Enquiries – Judith A Knight: sfss.sjr@nottsgov.uk or Tel: 0115 854 646



# Parent/Carer Coffee and Chat



Does your child have difficulties at school, at home or in the community?

Would you like to talk, voice the challenges, share ideas, and help to improve things for you and your child?

**Session 2: Tuesday 12th Nov, 1.30 - 3pm**

**Session 3: Tuesday 4th Feb, 1.30 - 3pm**

**Where: Edgewood Primary & Nursery**



**Project for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools [PINS]**



**For further information please  
contact: [enquiries@nottspcf.org](mailto:enquiries@nottspcf.org)**



*This project is independent of schools, or the educational dept of Nottinghamshire County Council. It is funded by Health and is being run by Nottinghamshire Parent Carer Forum - an independent charity run by and for parent carers.*

# Steps for a Spooky not Stressy Halloween

## A Parent's Guide

Each year it feels like Halloween is starting earlier and becoming more and more celebrated. Without a doubt the thrill of treats, dressing up, ghoulish pranks and the community spirit that it whips up makes it a fun event for the whole family to enjoy. But for parents of children with allergies, and especially food allergies, it is a date in the calendar which spooks in all the wrong ways.

Whilst some parents may feel that a better to be safe than sorry approach is the order of the day (and of course, that's ok too!), others may choose to get involved but in a safe way. Here's a round-up of precautions parents can take to enable children to enjoy Halloween and reduce the risk presented by an allergy. These have been developed in consultation with Allergy UK's Food Allergy Awareness Officer, registered Dietitian Cherry Hagger and garnered from our conversations with the wider allergic community.



### Switch Witching

For younger children, a popular solution to the trick or treat pile-in that can sometimes happen at a door is to allow children to take whichever wrapped sweets they choose, but then agree that none are to be eaten until they get home. That way there is a chance to check for allergens in a calm, well-lit environment. It is also a good idea to have a stash of safe treats at home that you can switch out with those which are not safe to eat because of allergy risks.

### Safe House Routes

If you would rather avoid swapping out treats. Another way trick-or-treating stress can be reduced is to plot a safe route for houses to visit. Speak with friends, family, and neighbours in advance to find out if they are planning to celebrate the occasion with trick-or-treating. If they are, why not ask them if they would consider including some safe options for your child to enjoy? They may appreciate the guidance on what sweets are safe to include and what to avoid including and doing. Our Treats No Tricks' alert card makes this light work. Download and complete it with your relevant information to share with the homes you plan to visit. You can also hand one to your child too.

In addition, Local neighbourhood app Nextdoor has once again launched its Treat Map. The Nextdoor Treat Map is an easy way to see what houses are taking part in Halloween in your local area. New for this year is a feature which allows people to pin an allergy free icon on the map to identify their home as one which is more mindful of the treats they are giving out and that available with free from sweets and goodies offered. Typically, friends and family homes are always a safer option. Notwithstanding, always check, check, and check again before any treats are consumed, even if you've gone to homes which are allergy aware.







### Distribute treat bags with neighbours in advance

Preparing your own goody bags for neighbours to distribute is another allergy safe way to ensure your child feels included in Halloween fun. Fill the bags with treats that are pre-wrapped and safe for your child to eat and ask neighbours if they can include them in their treat bucket. This way, your child has something they can pick out from the treat tin that is safe and they avoid feeling 'different' to how their friends are participating in the Halloween fun. To avoid their choice of treats running out by the time you get there, let neighbours know what time you plan to head along and go earlier rather than later in the evening.

### Always carry a torch and/or phone

A torch will help you read labels in the dark and should an emergency arise, you are able to administer an AAI (Auto Adrenaline Injector) and any medication in a situation which is well lit.

A phone means you can call for emergency assistance quickly. In addition, smartphone tracking apps such as Find my Phone and 360 available for smartphones allow you to track older children and teens who are trick-or-treating more independently.



### Set some ground rules before trick-or-treating or going to a party

As children get older in primary school and during the early years of secondary school, it is common for there to be a desire to trick-or-treat with friends without close parental supervision. If you feel this is something you are happy to allow, it is useful to set some ground rules. These might include:

- No eating of treats until getting home
- Hands to be washed before eating any foods
- Choose treats that are wrapped
- Never accept homemade treats
- Carry an AAI pen at all times
- Emergency contact details for the child/teen should always be carried on their person such as a card in a wallet, medical bracelet or lanyard around their neck under a costume
- Ensure those with whom you are trick-or-treating, are aware of your allergies and that someone within the group is first aid aware
- A negotiated supervision distance. For example, rather than being present on the doorstep, you may negotiate to be a few doors back or on the same road



# The Allergy friendly Host

## Avoid spooking your guests with these handy tips

Hosting a party can be a lot of fun and a bit of pre-planning can go a long way in making it a success. The secret to a good party is to help everyone feel at ease and included. For guests with food allergies, worry that their condition will not be taken into consideration often stops them from joining social events. However, if you are hosting, a few simple steps can help those with food allergies feel safer and included without impacting the needs of other guests.

Check in advance about any allergies and take on board any extra information your guest may share around their allergy. If a food needs to be avoided completely, please believe them when they tell you! Even a tiny amount of a food someone is allergic to, can have serious consequences.

When planning what food to serve, it is better to eliminate the food from everything that is being served altogether. Alternatively, a selection of different dish choices which eliminate the allergen is more inclusive than creating a bespoke dish exclusively for the guest with allergies. This also reduces potential cross contamination risks, when preparing dishes for other guests.

If eliminating the allergen is too tricky, share your planned menu with the guest in advance. In this way, the guest has an option of seeking out similar free-from foods to what is being served at the party and bring their own plate of safe foods with them.

Try and avoid serving too many home-made foods because of the risk of cross-contamination in their preparation. Pre-prepared foods with clear labelling are safer.

Keep the packaging of any pre-bought foods that are being served so the guest (or in the case of a child, the parent) can check the labelling.

If you are going to be playing games, avoid any which involve food where there also may be a risk of any cross contamination e.g., Apple Bobbing, Pinatas, eating challenges, food lucky dips. Even entertainment involving decorating foods such as pumpkin carving can present a challenge. Best to avoid any games or entertainment that is reliant on foods.

Think about the drinks you serve too. Those which have been homemade, such as punches and home-made cocktails (virgin or otherwise) are at higher risk. Safer to go for pre-mixed drinks and if possible, single portion sizes too.

Have a conversation with the guest before the party to understand their allergy needs, emergency medication and AAI (Auto Adrenaline Injectors) requirements, how to administer medications and contact details in the event of an emergency. Do not do it on the day of the party when you are more likely to be busy and distracted. It may help to write down the information or invite your guest to provide it in a written format for you.





# WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

Join us for an evening of wreath making  
and festive treats on the  
25th November 2024 at 6:30pm  
Edgewood Primary School Hucknall  
NG15 6HX

£30 per person  
Tickets available by email  
[PTA@edgewoodnottsschuk](mailto:PTA@edgewoodnottsschuk)

# PARENT & CARER WORK- SHOP

## UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORTING DEMAND AVOIDANT BEHAVIOURS

### WHEN

Weds 6th Nov  
9 - 10:30 am

### WHERE

Holgate Primary School  
NG15 6EZ

DELIVERED BY BETH COLE (SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST)  
AND RACHEL HAZELDINE (FAMILY SENDCO)

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# Spooky Party

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

1 pm – 3 pm

At Hucknall Family Hub

(previously Ashfield South Children's Centre,  
Broomhill Road, NG15 6AJ)

Come along and join in the free spooky fun. There will be a range of activities including a disco, craft activities and pumpkin carving.

For more information call the Family Hub on  
0115 9773748



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County Council

Nottinghamshire  
**Family Hub  
Network**



## The Family Hub Network is coming to Hucknall

On 30<sup>th</sup> October the Hucknall Family Hub network will launch in Hucknall. The Family Hub will offer services for families from pregnancy to the young person's 19<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The Family Hub Network offers an advice and signposting service to help connect families and young people with the support and services they need. You can access this service by calling the Family Hub on 0115 9773748 or visiting the centre on Broomhill Road (NG15 6AJ). The Family Hub will still offer the same services for under 5's as were previously offered by the Children's Centre Service.

To stay up to date with all the latest news from the Family Hub Network, visit our Facebook page by scanning the QR code or by searching "Children's Centre Services Ashfield".



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# **NINJA WARRIOR TRIP**

**24TH OCTOBER 2024**

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[community@mansfieldtownct.net](mailto:community@mansfieldtownct.net) | <https://bookwhen.com/mtctevents>



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**ACTIVITIES COULD INCLUDE:**

- Breakfast
- Crafts
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- Themed activities
- Workshops (subject to availability)
- Outdoor activities
- Multi-sports
- Swim! (Fridays)

Early bird offer until 18th Oct, £27 thereafter. This is per child, per day. Please bring a packed lunch and refillable drinks bottle.

**£24**

**EARLY BIRD OFFER**

community@mansfieldtownct.net

**8:30AM - 4PM | One Call Stadium**

**HOLIDAY CLUB**

Monday 21st Oct 24 - Friday 1st Nov 24



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**9AM - 3PM**

# **SOCCER SCHOOLS**

Monday 21st Oct 24 - Friday 1st Nov 24  
(closed 24th Oct for a trip to Ninja Warrior)



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