



Earl Spencer Primary School

Autumn Term 2 Newsletter

Dates for Parents

Tuesday 5th November– School opens
Wednesday 6th November -KS1 and Yr3 Disco
Thursday 7th November-Yr4, 5 & 6 Disco
Wednesday 13th November– School photos
Wednesday 13th November– Odd socks day
Friday 15th November– Children in Need
Tuesday 19th November– Phonic morning
Tuesday 19th November– Dentists in school
Wednesday 20th November– Book Fair
Thursday 21st November– Book Fair
Wednesday 11th December– EYFS Nativity
Thursday 12th December– EYFS Nativity
Thursday 12th December– Kingswood Christmas lunches
Monday 16th December– Santa's Christmas Grotto
Tuesday 17th December– KS1 Christmas Play
Wednesday 18th December- KS1 Christmas Play
Thursday 19th December-Christmas Parties
Friday 20th December– Last day of term

Useful information:

Local PCSO

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Attendance

You will already know that good attendance gives your child every chance of success and helps develop skills for life.

However did you know that pupils who are persistently absent (90% attendance or lower) have been shown to have lower levels of attainment in the Year 6 SATs than any other pupils?

Of those who were persistently absent only 40% achieved the expected standard nationally in reading, writing and maths compared to 83.9% of pupils who missed no session and 71.9% who missed between 0 and 5% of sessions.

IASS– Support for parents of pupils with SEN & Disability

Northamptonshire's Information, Advice and Support Service is a statutory service which is run at 'arm's length' from the Local Authority and provides free, confidential, impartial advice, guidance and support to children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, and their parents. Follow the link below to find out more. <https://www.iassnorthants.co.uk/about-us/Pages/default.aspx>

Online safety-Internet Connected Devices

Most families will have a number of devices connected to the internet in their homes (phones, tablets etc.). The NSPCC have support for parents around how they can ensure devices can be made suitable for use by all family members. Find out more on their website,

www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/

Sexting - Guidance for Parents and Carers

Northamptonshire Police investigate on a daily basis cases involving the sharing of explicit material on social media involving children. The key message is to remind everyone that one click can have a massive impact and young people are being urged to think twice before 'sexting' and to pause before they post something on social media sites they may later regret.

The NSPCC and ChildLine have produced a range of excellent online safety resources for both children and adults. Please visit Northamptonshire Police website for further advice,

<https://www.northants.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/caa/child-abuse/online-child-abuse/>

Anybody who has concerns should report them to Northamptonshire Police on 101 or in an emergency 999

Anti-bullying week

Anti bullying week this year will be Monday 11th– Friday 15th November. To recognise this in school we will be having assemblies on this, doing working in class, having a poster competition and inviting children to wear odd socks on the Wednesday.

Mobile phones

Just to remind parents that Earl Spencer Primary aims to be mobile free zone. With this in mind we would request that parents put their phones in pockets whilst on the school premises. Many thanks for your support with this.

Charities

This term we will be supporting both the Poppy appeal and Children in Need by selling merchandise for both in school.

Wednesday 6th –Friday 8th November Poppies and other items will be on sale in the playground.

Thursday 14th and Friday 15th November Children in need merchandise will be on sale in the playground.

Friday 15th November there will be the Children in Need raffle to win Pudsey Bear. Tickets will be on sale in the morning on the playground from Mrs Blunt.

Battery Recycling at ESP

Don't forget that there is a box in reception area to enable parents and staff to help protect the environment by recycling batteries. All spent portable batteries are accepted including Lithium-ion button cell batteries.

Please could we people to check that the used Lithium-ion button cell batteries are spent and that the terminal is taped over before depositing in the box. No children should handle the batteries.