

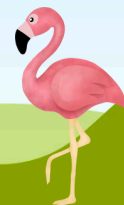


# Edmund de Moundeford Primary School

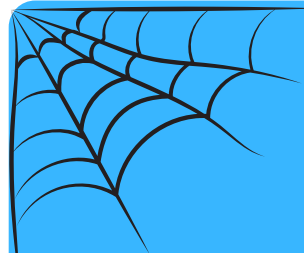


Autumn Term Newsletter 4

24th October 2025



## Headline News



It was lovely to see so many of the children in non school uniform today and even some children and staff dressed up in Halloween costumes!

## **Awards**

This weeks awards go to:



Handwriting	Times Table/Numbots
Toby & Luna	Sian & Archer
Theo	Austin
Jack F	Jasmine
Oscar	Lochlan
Rory	Charlie H

The awards for the week ending the 17<sup>th</sup> October go to:

Handwriting	Times Table/Numbots
Arthur	Sebastian
Vanessa	Tyler
Abbie	Edward B
Isabelle	Felicity
Lena	Ami

## Trips



I am pleased to say that Hummingbirds class trip to The Ancient House Museum on the 21<sup>st</sup> November, is going ahead. Thank you to all the parents/carers who made their payments/contributions. If your child/ren has not returned the consent and Dolce lunch form, please do this by **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November**. Paper copies can be found in the foyer if you require one.

### Payment/Contributions Reminder

Flamingos class trip to The Ancient House Museum is on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December**. An email has been sent to parents/carers with more information and the consent and lunch forms. The payment deadline for the trip is **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 9:30am**.

Goldfinches class trip to The Lynn Museum is on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026**. An email has been sent to parents/carers with more information and the consent and lunch forms. The payment deadline for this trip is **9am on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December**.

Paper copies of the consent forms are available in the foyer if you require one.

If we do not receive all payments/contributions, then sadly the trip will not be able to go ahead. If you are having difficulties making the payment/contribution, please contact myself or the office.

### Parents Evening Consultations

Thank you to the parents/carers that attended the parent consultations on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, I hope you found these useful and they gave you an insight in to what your child/ren is learning in class and how they are progressing.

A reminder that there is still time to book your appointment on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November**, if you have not already done so. I will be available at both sessions if you need to speak to me.



### After School Clubs



Parents/Carers were emailed last week confirming their child's space on the after school clubs starting after half term. Please check your emails if you have not already done so.

If your child/ren was not fortunate to get a space this time, their name will be added to the waiting list and should a space become available, the office staff will notify you.



### School Photographer

The school photographer will be visiting us on the **13<sup>th</sup> November 2025**. This will be for individual and sibling photos. If you wish to have a photo of your child/ren with siblings that attend or do not attend the school, the photographer will be set up in the school canteen from **8:15am**. This will allow you to get their photos taken, then get them into school in time for registration.

## Maori Dancing

"Mrs Theobold visited us on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October, to teach us all about Maori dancing. We did the Haka dance which was fun. We got dressed up and had our face painted. We also played on a drum"



## Mrs Lillycrop's Sports Challenge



At the beginning of the Autumn term, Mrs Lillycrop set the children a new challenge. This was short distance running. Reception, years 1 and 2 had to run one length of the astro turf and back, years 3, 4, 5 and 6 had to run the length of both of the astro turfs and back again.

Here are our top 3, boys and girls from each year group. 1<sup>st</sup> place scores 3 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> place scores 2 points and 3<sup>rd</sup> place scores 1 point.


Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Boys 1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Girls 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Boys 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Girls 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Boys 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
Lilah	Charlie F	Luna	Finny	Willow N	Aaron B
Verity	Archer	Sian	Arthur	Bellamy - Rose	Sebastian
Elina	Henry	Jessica	Oliver	Daisy S & Darcie S	Baiden
Skylar	Theo	Georgia	Austin	Jasmine	Johnny-Ray
Thailia	Archie L	Daisy B	Jack	Abbie	Roman
Erica	Rex S	Harper	Eddie	Zara- Bella	Albie
Carla	Tyrus	Matilda	Bennie	Amelie	Kian

The children's next challenge is a throwing challenge. They will need to see how many bean bags they can throw in to a small hoop in one minute. I cannot wait to see the results.



## Take A Look

Mrs Bale has very kindly volunteered to attend the next parents evening on 13th November so that you can talk to her, if you wish, in her role as SEND teaching assistant, supporting children with both academic and emotional support. Also, these ladies are attending for your support. ALL welcome to drop in to talk to any of these, no appointment needed.







Parent & Carers' Drop-in at  
**Edmund de Moundeford**  
**Parent Consultations**

Thursday 13th November  
3:30pm-6:30pm

It's always better to try and get help as early as possible

Come along and meet **Sarah**, your Community Worker and **Allison**, Early Help Consultant, who will be ready to answer your questions and share information about a wide range of activities, groups and organisations that can help you with family and parenting issues.

You can find out more about our family hubs approach online, just click on the QR code

**FREE DENTAL SCREENING**

For Norfolk Children

Working in collaboration with the Henry Schein 'Give the Kids a Smile Project'

**We are offering a free dental screening!**

This project is for children between 0-12 years who have never seen a dentist. This will be carried out at our Kings Lynn Clinic


**St James Clinic, Exton's Road, Kings Lynn PE30 5NU** with one of our Dentists.

We are offering to see your child for an initial dental screening where you will be advised if any treatment or no treatment is required. Should treatment be required following on from the screening your child will be offered an appointment to complete all dental care needed.



If you would like an appointment please use the QR Code to complete the form and we will contact you to arrange an appointment which will be on **Monday 27th October 2025**. We have a limit of number of spaces as part of the project. It's first come first serve

Alternatively you could contact our clinic to book an appointment on 0333 207 9954 - Please quote Henry Schein dental screening offer

**FREE GOODY BAG!**



**SCAN ME**

Please see this poster for details of a **FREE** dental screening for your child/ren, held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October for all 0-12's who have NEVER SEEN A DENTIST.



Please see attached details of a Halloween party organised by Friends of Feltwell Playgroup.




**HALLOWEEN**  
Party




**OCT 25**  
3 TO 5

CRAFT TREATS COSTUME PRIZES GAMES  
£3 per Child (£2 per Sibling)  
EDWARDS AND BROWNS CAFE  
The Aisle, St. Mary's Church



## Coats

The cold, wet weather is definitely upon us, yet there are still a number of children coming to school without coats. Please send your child to school with a coat everyday.



## Swimming



All children in **Year 5** will be swimming on Thursday afternoons after half term until Christmas. Please make sure your child has the correct swimming kit in school every Thursday. We are in need of parent helpers, if you are DBS checked with us and are able to help, please let the office know.



## Data Collection Sheets

Data collection sheets have been sent home with children in Hummingbirds, Goldfinches and Flamingos. Please check the information on the sheet is correct, adding any additional information that needs to be on there and crossing out anything that no longer needs to be on there.

Please return it to the office as soon as possible so we can update your child/rens records.

Data collection sheets for the children in Penguins and Nightingales will be sent out when we return after half term.

## Office Hours

This is a reminder that there is only one member of staff in the office from 2:30pm each day.

If you need to call the office to let us know someone else will be collecting your child, please do so by **2pm** as we cannot guarantee that there will be someone in the office to take your call after 2:30pm due to other tasks being carried out.

If you know in advance that your child/ren is going home with someone else, please pop a note in their communication book. Thanks.



## Photographic Consent

I would like to make parents/carers aware that we have an increasing number of children who do not have consent to appear on the website/newsletter or to be videoed/photographed by parents/carers in school assemblies. **The only class who this does not currently affect is Hummingbirds.**

As you can imagine, taking photos of class activities and keeping children with no consent out of the picture can be tricky and can cause upset to the children when they are excluded from the photos.

If you wish to change your photographic permission form, please contact the office for a new form. Thanks.

Have a lovely half term and I look forward to seeing the children back in school on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025.**

Mrs Lillycrop.

# Happy Halloween



# Diary Dates for 2025/2026

Edmund de Moundeford V.C. Primary School

Why don't you  
print me off and  
pop me on your  
fridge?

## November 2025

### **Monday 3rd**

School re-opens

### **Monday 10th**

Stay and Play for children in  
Reception class 2026-2027

### **Thursday 13th**

School photos - individual  
and siblings.

### **Thursday 13th**

Parent Consultations  
3:30 - 6:30pm

### **Thursday 20th**

Flamingos class  
assembly approx  
9:05am

### **Friday 21st**

Hummingbirds  
trip to Ancient  
House Museum

### **Friday 21st**

Children In Need

## December 2025

### **Thursday 4th**

Flamingos Ancient House  
Trip

### **Friday 12th**

Christmas Decoration Day

### **Monday 15th**

Penguins Art Cafe 2:15 -  
3:00pm

### **Wednesday 17th**

Reception, years 1 and 2  
Nativity @ 9:20am

### **Wednesday 17th**

Christmas Dinner

### **Thursday 18th**

Reception, years 1 and 2  
Nativity @ 5:30pm

### **Friday 19th**

Years 3,4,5 and 6 Carol  
Service at the Church  
@ 9:20am

### **Friday 19th**

Christmas Jumper Day  
SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR  
HOLIDAYS  
REOPENS ON 6/1/26

**DON'T  
FORGET**

# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about CONSPIRACY THEORIES

Conspiracy theories are false or misleading beliefs that explain events as secret plots, often involving powerful groups. While once fringe, they are now more accessible through digital media, online influencers and because of algorithmic recommendations. The DfE guidance document, 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' (KCSIE) explicitly recognises conspiracy theories as potential content risks. This guide will help parents and educators understand the risks, spot the signs, and build children's resilience to conspiracy theories.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### UNDERMINING TRUST

Conspiracy theories can lead children and young people to distrust democratic institutions and British Values, teachers, and even their own families and loved ones. This erosion of trust makes young people more vulnerable to extremist narratives by isolating them from reliable sources of information.

### ONLINE ALGORITHM TRAPS

Social media platforms can often recommend sensationalist content. Once a child engages with one conspiracy-themed video or post, algorithms push more of the same, thereby creating an echo chamber that can intensify their beliefs.

### MENTAL HEALTH IMPACT

Exposure to frightening conspiracy content, such as global plots, viruses, or government control, can fuel feelings of anxiety, paranoia, or hopelessness. For some young people, it can trigger prolonged distress or obsessive thinking.

### GATEWAY TO EXTREMISM

Conspiracy theories can often overlap with extremist ideologies. Narratives that blame specific groups, such as politicians, scientists, or particular ethnic groups, can groom children in ways that foster hate, bigotry, and radicalisation.

### CONFLICT WITH PEERS

Belief in conspiracy theories can lead to isolation or conflict at school. Children may struggle with peer relationships if they express these beliefs or become distrustful of others who disagree; sometimes, confrontation can even result in a strengthening of the belief in the conspiracy theory.

### ERODED CRITICAL THINKING

Young people influenced by conspiracies may reject evidence-based learning. This risks undermining their academic progress and weakening their ability to think critically, assess risks, or engage in healthy debate.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### CREATE SAFE CONVERSATIONS

Don't mock or dismiss any questions that children and young people ask about conspiracy theories. Instead, create open, judgement-free spaces to talk. This strengthens trust and makes it more likely they will confide in you.

### PROMOTE CRITICAL THINKING

Teach young people how to assess information critically. Encourage them to ask appropriate questions, such as: Who is telling me this? What evidence is there? What do other trusted sources say? Use real examples from current media to explain your answers and reasoning.

### MONITOR DIGITAL BEHAVIOUR

Be aware of the content children are accessing, especially on platforms such as TikTok, YouTube, or Reddit. Use parental controls, but more importantly, maintain ongoing dialogue about online experiences and influencers.

### REINFORCE RELIABLE SOURCES

Point children toward trustworthy and reliable sources of news and information in a variety of formats tailored to the young person's age. Build habits of verifying facts using reliable sources, and teach them how to spot misleading content.

### Meet Our Expert

Brendan O'Keefe is a headteacher and digital education consultant with over a decade of experience in education. As Director of Digital Strategy across multiple schools and an advisor to The National College, he specialises in digital safety, PREVENT, and pastoral care.



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