



EASTCROFT NEWS

Friday 5th December 2025 www.eastcroftpark.co.uk

This week's attendance winners are :
KS1 : Year 1
KS2: Year 5
Well done to you all !

Happy birthday to Arsen Alimov, Bobby Burke, Margreta Fetzner and Ada Mushrow, who have all celebrated their birthdays this week

Important

Christmas Jumper Day is an annual fundraising campaign in the UK organised by charity Save the Children. On Thursday 11th December 2025, people are encouraged to make the world better with a sweater and raise funds for Save the Children by wearing a **Christmas jumper** and making a minimum donation of £1.

Raffle tickets will be on sale from Monday 1st December 2025, £1 for a strip of five. The draw will place on Monday 15th December 2025– Thank you for your support.



What went well this week

Nursery: An Amazing visit to Acorn Farm
Reception: An amazing trip to Acorn Farm
Year 1: Amazing Acorn Farm trip
Year 2: Amazing Acorn Farm trip
Year 3: Fantastic fable narratives
Year 4: Magical multiplication work
Year 5: Marvellous moon phases
Year 6: Fantastic formal speech writing



Community Information :

Family Christmas Service – St Andrews Church , Sunday 21st December at 3.30pm

Kirkby's Christmas Crusade 2025: Thursday 11th December to Saturday 13th December – information of the routes are attached . There is also lots of Christmas activities attached for the community

Cost of Living Support available : The Council has a cost-of-living helpline where residents can access advice and guidance on how to access all elements of support across the borough [Cost of living support - Knowsley News](#)

Great News ; Free Universal breakfast club will be extended until March 2027. Your child can turn up on the day at school for breakfast club, however, were possible to foresee staffing, if your child does not usually attend breakfast club, please can you book a place for your child at eastcroft@knowlsey.gov.uk

Please note there is an amendment to the date for 'KS2 Carols by Candlelight' it is now on Wednesday 10th December 2025 at 4.30pm

Christmas in Kirkby



Santa Dash 2025: Schools across the country are coming together on Friday 12th December 2025 to deliver a Santa Dash. The emphasis is about physical activity for all children in each year group whilst spreading Christmas cheer. Children can wear Santa Hats to complete a jog/run/walk around the grounds

Information for Parents/Carers

Christmas 2025 dates to be aware of... HO!HO!HO!



Date	Event
Wednesday 10 th December 2025	Christmas Pantomime in school Cinderella 'KS2 Carols by Candlelight' at 4.30pm
Thursday 11 th December 2025	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner Nursery/Reception in 11am performance in Junior Hall Year 1/ 2 performance at 2pm in Junior Hall
Friday 12 th December 2025	Santa Dash (children can wear Christmas jumpers or Christmas accessories)
Monday 15 th December 2025	Reception party
Tuesday 16 th December 2025	Nursery Party
Wednesday 17 th December 2025	Year 3/4 Party
Thursday 18 th December 2025	Year 1 party Year 2 party Year 5/6 party
Friday 19 th December 2025	Breakfast with Santa

School will close for the Christmas school holidays on Friday 19th December 2025 at 2pm

School will re-open at 8.40pm Monday 5th January 2026

Let's
eat

Christmas Lunch



11th December

Traditional Roast Turkey Dinner
with all the Trimmings, Carton Drink
& Christmas Ice Cream.

£2



*Family
Christmas
Service*

ST. ANDREW'S
CHURCH

Sunday 21st December
3:30pm



Kirkby Christmas Crusade

Follow us live on facebook for exact locations

THURSDAY 11TH NORTHWOOD 6PM

- Simonswood Lane
- Roughtwood Dr
- Appleby Court
- Old Rought Lane
- Bigdale Drive
- Brook Hey Drive
- Westhead Ave

FRIDAY 12TH SOUTHDENE 6PM

- Valley Road
- Bewley Drive
- Britonside Avenue
- Park Brow Drive
- Wellfield Avenue
- Field lane Fazak

SATURDAY 13TH 5PM TOWERHILL & WESTVALE

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| • Hendbolt lane | • Mill Lane |
| • Pinewood Lane | • Glovers Brow |
| • Hall Lane | • Whitefield Drive |
| • Saxon Way | • James Holt Ave |
| • Ebony Way | • Richard Heaketh |
| • Sheerington's Lane | • Sydney Poughl |
| • Melrose Road | |
| • Banks Lane | |
| • Windermere Drive | |



Southdene Commo's

Christmas GROTTO

Fun, Magic, and Joy for the Whole Family!

15 minute time slots- booking required

13th Dec
12pm to 4pm

Once you have completed
the form to book we will
send you your time slot

FREE
ENTRY



HEALTHY FAMILIES COURSE

Join our 5-week course designed to support families
to make healthy lifestyle changes together!

For families with children aged 7-11.



Physical Activity

Each week families will play
fun, interactive games.



Resources & Recipes

Weekly resources to support
lifestyle changes.



Healthy Eating

Each week learning about a
new healthy eating topic.



Cooking Session

Develop new cooking skills and
create low-cost tasty meals.



To register interest or to find out more,
email: HKSchildren.families@merseycare.nhs.uk
or scan the QR code and complete the form.

YOU ARE INVITED TO
**LUNCH
WITH SANTA**

1:00PM TO 4:00PM

6TH DECEMBER

FOOD | MUSIC | GAMES | GROTTO & GIFT

SOUTHDENE COMMU

£5 PER CHILD

£1 PER ADULT

To request this leaflet in an alternative format or language, please speak to a member of staff.

Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust
V7 Building, Kings Business Park, Prescot, L34 1PJ

March 2025

OUR PATIENTS MATTER

Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust listens and responds to patients and their carers to help improve the services we deliver.

If you have any comments, compliments or concerns, you can speak with a member of staff or contact our **Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS)** and Complaints Team.

Telephone: 0151 471 2377

Freephone: 0800 328 2941

Email: palsandcomplaints@merseycare.nhs.uk



LIVERPOOL
ZOE'S PLACE
SANTA'S
GROTTO

A magical Christmas experience

£10 PER CHILD
£7 FOR ANY
ADDITIONAL
CHILDREN
(ADULTS GO

21ST - 22ND DECEMBER 2025
10AM - 6PM

REVOLUCIÓN DE CUBA

SEN HOUR
10-11AM
EACH DAY



FREE

You are invited to

M.A.T.Ch Christmas Party

Join us for a special event to get you in the festive spirit and make some memories with your little one!

Exclusive event

for Men And Their Children - No need to book just come along!

Entertainment

Festive Crafts
Jo's Reptiles
Santa Visits Me



**Northwood Family
Hub at The Pride
2 Simonswood
Lane, Kirkby, L33
5YP**

Saturday

13

December

10am - 12noon





05.09.2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

FACE School Annual Membership

Eastcroft park School have bought an annual membership for the academic year 2025/2026 with FACE (family, advice, communication and education)

Face delivers online support via zoom for Parents and Carers

Every month we will send you the Newsletter and Timetable. I have attached the July 2025 Newsletter for your information

The Eastcroft Park Primary School Code is EP300625

This code grants all Eastcroft Park parents/carers access to all FACE Parent Talks (usually £24 each) for the next 12 months.

The talks are on a four-weekly rotation and alternate between morning sessions (10:00-11:30) and evening sessions (19:00-20:30).

Links to recordings of the talks are available for 48 hours after the live session. If you cannot make a live session, book on and then email to request the recording link.

How to Use the Code:

Visit the **PARENTS** page of the FACE website (facefamilyadvice.co.uk) to view the 16 regular talks for parents.

Choose a topic and click through the booking calendar to find a date and time that suits you.





Merry Christmas!



December Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Decreasing Depression	1 DEC 10am
Raising Self Esteem	1 DEC 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	2 DEC 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	2 DEC 7pm
Autism - Improving Communication	8 DEC 10am
Improving Family Communication	8 DEC 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	9 DEC 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	9 DEC 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	15 DEC 10am
Understanding Anger	15 DEC 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	16 DEC 10am
Facing Defiance	16 DEC 7pm



January 2026 Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Autism - Improving Communication	5 Jan 10am
Improving Family Communication	5 Jan 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	6 Jan 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	6 Jan 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	12 Jan 10am
Understanding Anger	12 Jan 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	13 Jan 10am
Facing Defiance	13 Jan 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	19 Jan 10am
Anxiety Explained	19 Jan 7pm
Introduction to OCD	20 Jan 10am
What Is ACT	20 Jan 7pm
FREE Responding to Angry Behaviour	22 Jan 7-8pm
Raising Self-Esteem	26 Jan 10am
Decreasing Depression	26 Jan 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	27 Jan 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	27 Jan 7pm

At the payment stage of booking, enter the code **EP300625** where it says **ADD PROMO CODE**. This will reduce the price from £24 to £0.

Important:

You do not need to book the FREE sessions for parents , as these are for parents from schools that have not purchased the discount code. They are shortened versions of the regular talks which you now have free access to.

The code **EP300625** can only be used for the regular £24 each Parent Talks from Eastcroft Park School and cannot be shared with parents from different schools. Improper use of the code can result in immediate code cancellation for the whole school.

For further information please refer to Eastcroft park School website <https://www.eastcroftpark.co.uk> or contact the school office on 01514778210 email eastcroft@knowsley.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

Julie Withey
Head teacher

HOLIDAY DATES 2025-2026

SHADED AREAS ARE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AND 5 STAFF INSET DAYS

AUTUMN TERM

CHILDREN ATTEND – 2nd SEPTEMBER TO 19th DECEMBER

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – 27th OCTOBER TO 31st OCTOBER

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – 22nd DECEMBER to 2nd JANUARY

SPRING TERM

CHILDREN ATTEND – 5th JANUARY to 27th MARCH

SPRING HALF TERM HOLIDAY – 16th FEBRUARY to 20th FEBRUARY

EASTER HALF TERM – 30th MARCH to 10th APRIL

SUMMER TERM

CHILDREN ATTEND- 13th APRIL to 22nd JULY

HOLIDAY MONDAY – 4th MAY

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Parents of pre school children It's time to apply for a school reception class place September 2026 Intake

Knowsley residents - Apply online by visiting www.knowsley.gov.uk

CLOSING DATE 15TH JANUARY 2026

- If your child's date of birth falls on or between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, now is the time to apply for a reception class place in school for September 2026.
- There is no automatic transfer from nursery – everyone must apply between 12 September 2025 and 15 January 2026 by completing the application form of the Local Authority in which you live.
- Knowsley residents should apply by accessing the online application portal via the Knowsley website www.knowsley.gov.uk.
- It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure they have read the admission policy of each school they are considering applying for and provided all the information required to support their application – this may include completing a supplementary information form with some individual schools where requested.
- For full information about the application and allocation process and admission policies for individual schools, visit the school admission pages at www.knowsley.gov.uk and access the 'Knowsley Primary Admission Composite Prospectus'.

For further advice, contact Knowsley School Admissions Service

Email: schooladmissions@knowsley.gov.uk

Tel: (0151) 443 5143 / 5142 / 3372

Knowsley
foodbank
FOOD CLUB

Charity No. 1196064

**Join the Tower Hill
Food Club!**

@ Tower Hill Community Centre,
Ebony Way, L33 1XT

Food Club members pay £3.50 a week and choose up
to 10 items of food and other necessities, or pay £5 for
up to 15 items.

**Every Tuesday,
12pm - 2pm**

Find out more about Knowsley Foodbank: knowsleyfoodbank.org 0151 673 1250

Is your child experiencing anxiety?



NHS

Knowsley MHST are excited to offer a parent led group intervention that will aim to support parents to manage their child's worries and anxious expectations. These groups will take place in local community centres, register your interest below.

DOES YOUR CHILD COMPLAIN ABOUT FEELING SICK WHEN THEY ARE WORRIED ABOUT SOMETHING?

DOES YOUR CHILD SEEK REASSURANCE FROM YOU BEFORE CERTAIN SITUATIONS?

DOES YOUR CHILD NOT WANT TO GO TO SCHOOL DUE TO FEELING WORRIED?

DO THEY STRUGGLE TO GO TO SLEEP AS THEY FEEL ANXIOUS?



Then register your interest by clicking or scanning the QR code below



KNOWSLEY MHST:

OFFICE: 01925 664 120

**OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY TO FRIDAY:
9.00AM – 5.00PM**

*It takes less
than 5 minutes!*

<https://forms.office.com/e/N2agUhuvsA>

Little Soul Sisters

Information

07863 953943
teensoulsisters@yahoo.com
instagram: @teen_soulsisters

FREE FOR ALL

SELF LOVE

the girls will be taught about self-love by creating a supportive environment where they can explore their unique strengths and embrace their individuality. Through open conversations and empowering activities, they will learn the importance of self-love as a foundation for building confidence, resilience, and healthy relationships.



**FOR
GIRLS
AGED 7-11**



Every sunday

**11am -12pm
starting the 7th
september**



**DM TO BOOK
ON!**

**Towerhill Community
Hub, Heathfield drive,
L33 1WU**

