



EASTCROFT NEWS

Friday 16th October 2026 www.eastcroftpark.co.uk



This week's class attendance

percentages are :

Reception: 87.8%

Year 1 : 97.7%

Year 2: 89.6%

Year 3: 93.6%

Year 4: 85.2%

Year 5: 92.2%

Year 6: 94.4%

Well done to Year 1 who have won the best

attendance this week

Happy Birthday to Archie Harris, Daisy Wells and Amber Brownrigg who have all celebrated their birthdays this week

Dates for your diary

Half Term : 26th October 2026 to 30th October 2026

10th November 2026: Nasal Flu vaccination

13th November 2026 : Children In Need /Silver pledge event morning

Community links

[Knowsley Music](#)

[Festival 2026](#)

[Discover Autumn in Knowsley's Parks this half term - Knowsley News](#)

[Town centre events continue in Kirkby - Knowsley News](#)

What went well this week

Nursery: Natural resource portraits in the style of Andy Goldsworthy

Reception: Super sentence writing

Year 1: Perfect Picasso work

Year 2: Super science investigation into weather

Year 3: Perfect potion recipes

Year 4: Amazing (column) additions in maths

Year 5: Spectacular story writing about The Midnight Fair

Year 6: Incredible Inheritance



Letters have been sent out for parents evening which will be held at school over two nights , Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th November 3.30pm to 6.30pm if you have not received a letter, please contact your class .The Community preloved recycling programme will also take place on both parent evenings. We have a lot of surplus items of preloved uniform at Eastcroft Park from the ages of 3 to age 12 +. The items consist of PE kits, shirts jumpers/Cardigans, polo t-shirts, skirts, tights, shoes and trousers. All items will be placed on a table in the Junior hall for collection in piles according to size.

Royal British Legion – Remembrance 2026

The Royal British Legion is the UK's largest Armed Forces charity, dedicated to supporting the needs of serving personnel, veterans and their families.

Poppies and poppy merchandise will be available from Monday during morning play time Items for sale are Paper Poppy 50p, Poppy Keyring £1 , Poppy pencil 50p, Snap Band £2 and Wrist band £1

Fun Factor prize !!

The children who have had a 100% attendance this half term will be entered into a draw next Thursday and will have the chance to win free fun factor tickets!!

School will finish for the October school half term on Thursday 22nd October 2026 at 3.15pm

HOLIDAY DATES 2026-2027

SHADED AREAS ARE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AND 5 STAFF INSET DAYS

AUTUMN TERM

CHILDREN ATTEND – 2nd SEPTEMBER TO 18TH DECEMBER

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – 26th OCTOBER TO 30th OCTOBER

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – 21st DECEMBER to 1st JANUARY

SPRING TERM

CHILDREN ATTEND – 4th JANUARY to 25th MARCH

SPRING HALF TERM HOLIDAY – 15th FEBRUARY to 19th FEBRUARY

EASTER HALF TERM – 26th MARCH to 9th APRIL

SUMMER TERM

CHILDREN ATTEND- 12th APRIL to 23rd JULY

HOLIDAY MONDAY – 3RD MAY

WHITSUN HALF TERM – 31ST MAY to 11TH JUNE

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PARENTS OF CHILDREN AGED 0-5

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

 Tell us about your experiences of
childhood vaccinations

 Your feedback will help improve
immunisation services for families

 Takes about
5 minutes
to complete

 Your views
help shape
better services



Together, we can
make a **difference**
for local families



South, Central and West
Commissioning Support Unit

SCAN ME
TO TAKE THE
QUESTIONNAIRE



**Childhood Vaccination in Cheshire & Merseyside –
Parent Survey
for parents/carers of children aged 0–5**

[Childhood Vaccination in Cheshire & Merseyside – Parent Survey – Fill in form](#)
[Childhood Vaccination Parent Survey](#)



**Childhood Vaccination in Cheshire
& Merseyside – Parent Survey**



Millbrook Millennium Green junior parkrun

4-14
year olds

9.00 every
Sunday

Bring a
friend!



Spread
the word!



All are
welcome!



Free to participate



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25th September 2026

Dear Parent /Carer

School Information 2026-2027

To reduce paperwork, this year the forms school require for your child are now on Parent App. Please can you ensure all forms for your child/children are acknowledged and signed before 22.10.2026

To Access the forms

Log on to Parent App and choose the consent forms tile. Within the form data section, you will find the following documents

Photographic consent form

Homework Agreement 26/7

Consent form for off-site activities (Schools curriculum for eg visiting the library)

Then you choose whether you give your consent and sign the forms appropriately

Can I stress that any change in relation to your child's contact details is the parents/carers responsibility to inform school. You can do this on parent app or by directly contacting the school on eastcroftpark@knowsley.gov.uk or 01514778210

If there are any change to your child's medical conditions including allergies again you must inform school.

If you require any further information or if you require these documents in paper form, please contact the office.

Many Thanks

Julie Withey
Headteacher





Triple P Teen Workshop

Monday 9th November 12.30-2.30pm
At the Family Learning Centre
Westvale Primary School
Kirkby

During the workshop we will look at

- Managing your teenagers behaviour
- Setting family routines and rules that everyone follows
- Developing positive relationships, so you can get along well with your teenager and argue less
- Raising happy, healthy and confident teenager
- Creating a happy, safe environment where your family can thrive

Comments from Knowsley parents who have completed the course:

"My teens behaviour has changed dramatically since the beginning of this course, it has changed the dynamics of the family completely, we have a much happier and calmer family unit"

"I have noticed I am a lot calmer"



"My teens behaviour has changed a lot, I have changed my parenting style and I feel calmer and more in control"

To book a place, please contact

Sharon.fitzgerald@knowsley.gov.uk

or

Annmaria.Miller@knowsley.gov.uk



Dear Parents/Carers,

FACE School Annual Membership

Eastcroft Park School have continued to buy an annual membership for the academic year 2026/2027 with FACE.

Face delivers online support via zoom for Parents and Carers

Every month we will send you the Newsletter and Timetable. I have attached the August/September 2026 timetables for your information

FACE offers parents practical advice, information and support, across a wide range of topics, including supporting neurodiverse children, understanding emotions and managing behaviour.

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.

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





October Timetable

All regular 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

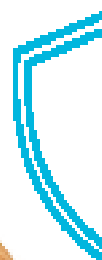
Raising Self-Esteem	5 Oct 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	5 Oct 7pm
Decreasing Depression	6 Oct 10am
Introduction to OCD	6 Oct 7pm
Improving Family Communication	12 Oct 10am
What is ACT?	12 Oct 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	13 Oct 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	13 Oct 7pm
Understanding Anger	19 Oct 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	19 Oct 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	20 Oct 10am
Autism: Improving Communication	20 Oct 7pm
FREE - ADHD and Homework	22 Oct 7-8pm
Facing Defiance	26 Oct 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	26 Oct 7pm
School Anxiety	27 Oct 10am
Anxiety Explained	27 Oct 7pm

It is important to protect our children and young people against a number of dangerous infectious diseases.



Consent for vaccinations is required from parents or carers.

Your vaccinations and immunisation team work with primary and secondary schools, independent schools, special schools, alternative education and also support young people who are home educated or not in education.



If you are not sure if your child has had all routine vaccinations, or you are under 18 you can contact us for further advice and support.



Contact us

Liverpool School Immunisation Team:

0151 295 3833

mcn-tr.vacandimms.team@nhs.net

Sefton School Immunisation Team:

0151 247 6130

mcn-tr.seftonimmunisationteam@nhs.net

Knowsley, Halton and St Helens Schools:

0151 351 8805

mcn-tr.schoolimmunisations@nhs.net



Year 8 we
offer HPV
vaccine

Year 9 we offer
Adolescent
booster/
Meningitis
ACWY

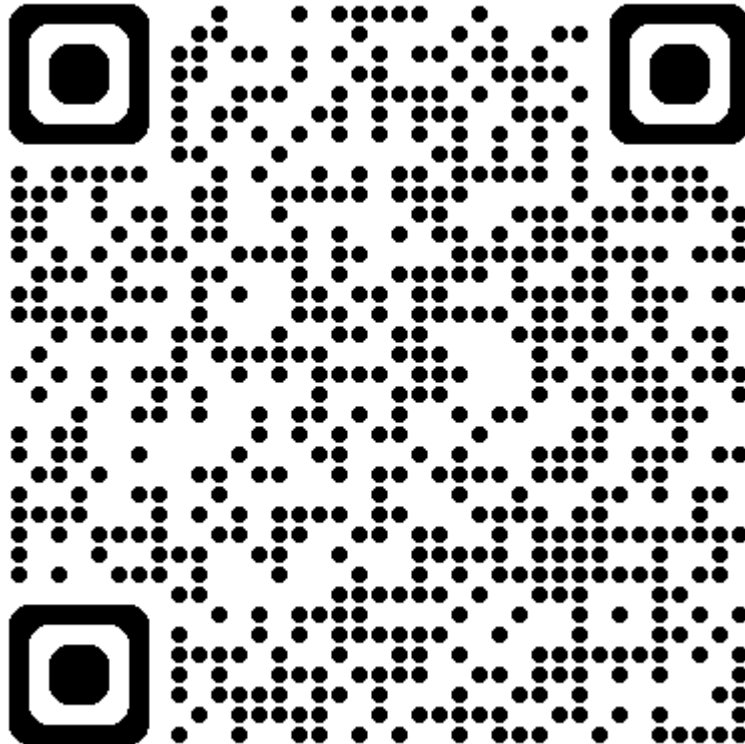


Scan the QR code or visit
merseycare.nhs.uk/imms
for more information



EASTCROFT PARK SCHOOL

Flu consent form link (this expires on 9th November)



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>



FREE School Meals

Are you eligible?

From September 2026, if you receive Universal Credit, your child will qualify for free school meals, regardless of the household's income.

This starts from your child's first day of school in Reception until they finish in Year 11 at secondary school.





Who is eligible for free school meals?

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive free school meals automatically under the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme.

However, if you do receive Universal Credit, please still complete an application as this will help to maximise funding coming into your school.

From September 2026, pupils of parents from Year 3 to Year 11 will be eligible for a Free School Meal if they claim one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit
 - Income Support (IS)
 - Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
 - Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
 - Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
 - Income Related Employment Support Allowance
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Who is eligible for free school meals?

To ensure your child receives meals from the start of the autumn term, we need to confirm your child's eligibility before the school year begins.

If you are already receiving free school meals, we will automatically check and inform you if you are still eligible.

If you are not currently receiving a free school meal but you do receive Universal Credit, please ensure you apply.



How to apply

Apply for a free school meal on the council's website by scanning the QR code.

Please ensure you apply by **Friday 28 August 2026**.



Help and support

If you need any help and support, please speak to your school (before the school year finishes). Alternatively, call Knowsley Council on **0151 483 8000** or via the online chat at www.knowsley.gov.uk/contact-us and then click 'Chat to us'.

