



Dear Parents / Carers,

Tomorrow the children break up for the February half term holiday, which marks the 'half way' point of the school year and this newsletter contains some feedback on recent events as well as some advance notice of activities due to take place early in the next half term. I don't think I can remember such a WET half term as the one we have had since Christmas and I am sure we are all looking forward to some brighter, more spring like weather in the second half of the term...and maybe even some sunshine?!

NSPCC Fundraising 'thank you'

Our NSPCC Number Day last Friday was a really good way to complete our Maths focus week. We had a whole host of numbers, patterns, shapes and rockstar outfits and so far have raised **£165** which will be split between the NSPCC and funds for **Number Stacks** resources to support pupils with number facts/knowledge. We are still awaiting some donations and these can be sent to school at any time.

Eastlea's reading culture and Reading Challenge update

- Last Friday Mrs Lister and I were invited to speak at a Northumberland reading conference entitled '**Building a Reading Culture**'. This was in recognition of all the work we do at Eastlea to promote reading for enjoyment. The feedback we received from the delegates when we outlined our whole school reading challenge, the links with CLV/author visits, our class shared reading, the training for our Y6 librarians, the use of the storytelling stage outside in the warmer weather, promotion of the summer holiday libraries reading challenge, World Book Day activities etc. was extremely positive.
- As part of this, we spoke to some of the children about the reading challenge and we know that the theme this year has been especially popular. Yesterday we presented the first of the '**Football Reading Challenge**' silver awards. **123** children now have their next certificate and a 'football' badge. Well done! We know there are several others who will get theirs at our next assembly. If your child reads over the half term break and has their reading record signed then this will count as a sticker on their current bookmark...bronze, silver or gold! So, please encourage them to keep reading!



Residential visits for Year 5/Year 6

The response to the letters about our residential visits for Year 5 and Year 6 has been excellent. We now have 27 pupils who are due to attend the Year 5 visit to Robinwood in November (one space remaining) and many who have paid the initial deposit for the Year 6 visit to York in June this year. A reminder that the deadline for the £50 deposit for the York visit is TOMORROW. Please speak to me individually if there is a problem with this.

HUGGG vouchers

We have again been informed by the county that vouchers will be available over the February half term holiday for those families eligible for benefit based free school meals. An email notification was sent out today so that you can activate and use the vouchers over the holiday period.

Hope Centre reminder

At this half way point in the school year, there may be some items of uniform that need 'refreshing'.

A reminder that, for anyone who needs it, clean, good quality school uniform such as sweatshirts/cardigans, trousers, skirts, pinafores, shoes, PE kit, coats etc for all the local schools (including Eastlea and CLV) can be obtained **FREE OF CHARGE** from the Hope Centre in Cramlington. There is no need for a referral – just turn up on Monday to Friday 10am – 2pm to see what is available. Any pre-loved, good quality items of school uniform can also be donated to the Hope Centre. Items can be taken there directly or we can have them collected from school.

HOPE UNIFORM & BABY BANK

As well as the logoed clothing for all our local schools we can supply all uniform items needed by our students. We have trousers, skirts, pinafores, shirts, polo shirts, sportswear, shoes, coats, hats, scarves, gloves, tights, bags and socks from nursery to Y11. All free from charge or referral. Hope to see you soon.

Keeping It Local

Monday to Friday 10:00–14:00
Nursery by appointment please.
Email: hope1uniform@gmail.com
Follow us on

Family Hubs

We have been asked to share information about activities which are available at the Family Hubs during February half term and for the coming months – these are attached to the end of this newsletter.

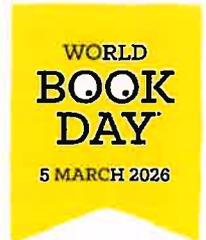
A request for newspaper for KS1

We are aware that not as many people now get a daily newspaper, but if you or anyone you know does still have one then our KS1 classes would be grateful for any old newspaper for their art activities. Thank you!



Looking ahead to the next half term – advance notice of dates for the diary

- **Tuesday 24th February** – Safety workshops for Year 5 and Year 6
- **Wednesday 25th / Thursday 26th February** – rescheduled Year 5 Bikeability sessions for the 'second group' from Year 5 after the days planned at the end of this week were unfortunately postponed due to the very wet weather
- **Monday 2nd / Tuesday 3rd March** – the first of this year's **Mental Health and Wellbeing sessions for parents/carers** will focus on **Emotional Regulation**. These will be led by members of the **'Be You'** mental health support team. A separate letter will be sent out in the first few days of the new half term outlining the THREE sessions we have planned over the rest of this school year (which will cover emotional regulation, self-esteem and resilience), but please put the dates and times of the first session in your diary. *The session will be repeated so parents can choose the one that works best for them on either: 5pm Monday 2nd March or 9am Tuesday 3rd March.*
- **Thursday 5th March** – whole school **World Book Day**. We again have a choice of options for this national dress up day. Children can either come to school in their pyjamas/dressing gowns and/or onesies OR they can come in a book character/themed outfit. Whichever they choose, please also encourage them to bring in their favourite book for some reading themed activities in school. **Please do not go out and buy a costume specially for this day** – pyjamas/book at bedtime is the cosy option that most children choose. A reminder/further details will be sent out after the holiday.
- **Friday 20th March** – Comic Relief Day (usual dress up / fundraising day in school – more details to follow after half term)
- **Monday 30th / Tuesday 31st March** – parents evening appointments during the afternoon / early evening.



Golden Day reminder

After a busy week with our Safer Internet Day focus on Tuesday and our RE Theme Day today, please remember that tomorrow (Friday 13th February) we are ending the half term with our **'Chinese New Year'** Golden Day.



This is a non-uniform day for everyone who has earned the right to attend with 'no fine' to pay. The dress up theme is Chinese/oriental, anything red which symbolises good luck/happiness (colour of Chinese new year) or something to represent the start of the year of the horse (2026) etc.

On Golden Day, as well as the various craft activities and workshops that have been planned we are also looking forward to our **Chinese themed school meal**. Remember, if your child wants to have the

Chinese New Year school dinner then they need to pay for it by tomorrow morning in the usual way (£2.50 for those who pay for meals from Year 3 to Year 6 and £2.20 for full day Nursery pupils).

This half term finishes on Friday 13th February at the usual time. Please enjoy a break over the half term holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone for the start of the second half of the spring term on Monday 23rd February 2026.

Yours sincerely,
Miss E Beeston, Head Teacher

Happy Half Term!



South East Family Hubs February Half-Term 2026



Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

MONDAY
16th Feb

Family Fun
Blyth West
Family Hub
1:00-2:30pm
(see page 2 for info)

Sensory Room
3:00pm-5:00pm
Blyth West
Family Hub
(see page 2 for info)

TUESDAY
17th Feb

CALM
Stay and Play
Blyth West
Family Hub
9:30-10:30am
(see page 2 for info)

Weigh & Stay
Blyth Central Family
Hub and Cramlington
Community Hub with
Feeding Friends
9:30am-11:30am
(see page 2 for info)

Family Movie
Afternoon
Blyth Central
Family Hub
1:30-4:00pm

Sensory Room
Blyth West
Family Hub
3:00pm-5:00pm
(see page 2 for info)

WEDNESDAY
18th Feb

Family Fun
Astley Pavilion
Seaton Delaval
10:00-11:00am
(see page 2 for info)

Weigh Clinic
Health Team with
Feeding friends
Blyth West
Family Hub
12:30pm-3:00pm
(see page 2 for info)

Sensory Room
Blyth West
Family Hub
3:00pm-5:00pm
(see page 2 for info)

THURSDAY
19th Feb

Birth Registration
Blyth Central
Family Hub
9:00am-4:00pm
To register your new baby
and obtain their birth
certificate, book an
appointment via Birth
Registration on
Northumberland County
Council's website, or call
on 0345 600 6400

Weigh Clinic
Seaton Delaval
Elsdon Avenue Church
9:30am-11:00am
(see page 2 for info)

Family Fun
Cramlington
Community Hub
1:30pm-2:30pm
(see page 2 for info)

Sensory Room
Blyth West
Family Hub
9:00-17:00pm
(see page 2 for info)

FRIDAY
20th Feb

Family Fun
Blyth Central
Family Hub
10:00-11:30am
(See page 2 for info)

Sensory Room
Blyth West
Family Hub
9:00-16:30pm
(see page 2 for info)

AND Sensory
Chillout
Blyth Central
Family Hub
1:30-3:00pm
(see page 2 for info)

MORNING

AFTERNOON



South East Family Hubs

February Half-Term 2026

Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February



FEBRUARY HALF-TERM SESSIONS

Family Fun Event

0-19 years (up to 25 if a child or young person has an additional need and/or disability)

Join us for a fun-filled family session with games, music and lots of activities to explore and engage with together.

Calm Stay & Play

0-5 years

Sessions are tailored for families with children aged 0-5 who have an additional need and/or disability

*Sensory Room

At our Blyth West Family Hub, we have our Sensory Room that families are able to book for sessions. If you would like to book the Sensory Room, please call 01670 625574 to book your session. **No more than 4 people in the sensory room**

AND Sensory Chillout

Drop-in session for children and young people who has an additional need and/or disability aged 0-25 years

Weigh Clinic

If you would like to have your baby weighed, please book an appointment by calling your Single Point of contact on 03003732488

Family Movie Afternoon

Relax with the family and enjoy a fun, family-friendly film on the big screen. We'll be running from 1:30pm-4:00pm, offering a warm space to unwind together. Bring your comfy vibes

QR CODES



Family Hubs Website



Family Panels



What's on Padlet



Growing Healthy Android



Scan Me! Facebook



Growing Healthy Apple App



Membership & Request for Service



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Healthy Relationships

* Please note - any sessions with a * in front require a request for service form to be completed.

South East Family Hubs February - March 2026

MONDAY

Toilet Training Workshop
Manor warms space in between the CEX shop and Bettini's coffee shop
10:00-11:00am
9th February
Booking essential

***PEEP toddlers**
Blyth Central Family Hub
10:00-11:00am
23rd February-1st April
(See page 2)

PEEP Stay & Play (0-5yrs) Drop-in
Blyth West Family Hub
1:00-2:30pm

Baby Stay & Play (0-12mths) Drop-in
Manor warms space in between the CEX shop and Bettini's coffee shop
1:00-2:00pm

***HENRY Preparing for Parenthood**
Blyth West Family Hub
3:30-5:00pm
2nd March - 30th March

TUESDAY

Weigh and Stay
Blyth Central Family Hub & Cramlington Community Hub
9:30-11:30am
Call 0300 3732488 to book
(See page 2)

CALM Stay & Play (Drop in)
Blyth West Family Hub
9:30-10:30am

Baby First Aid Awareness
Cramlington Community Hub (next to Concordia)
10th February
9:30-11:00am
Booking essential Please call 01670 798800 / 625574

***PEEP Babies**
Blyth Central Family Hub
1:00-2:00pm
(See page 2)

***PEEP Early Communicators**
Hareside Primary School Cramlington
1:30-2:45pm
24th February-31st March

Family Drop In
Blyth Central Family Hub
3:30-4:45pm
see page 2

WEDNESDAY

PEEP Stay & Play Drop-in
Astley Pavilion, Seaton Delaval
10:00-11:00am

***PEEP Babies 0-12mths**
Manor warms space Cramlington
10:00-11:00am
25th February-1st April
(See page 2)

***PEEP Early Communicators Virtual**
10:00-11:30am
27th February-30th March
(See page 2)

Weigh Clinic Health Team with Feeding Friends
Blyth West Family Hub
12:30-3:00pm
see page 2

***Empowering Parent/Carer Programme Virtual**
6:30-8:00pm
25th February-1st April
(See page 2)

Free To Be
Blyth Central Family Hub
4:30-7:15pm
(See page 2)

THURSDAY

Birth Registration
Blyth Central Family Hub
To register your new baby and obtain their birth certificate, book an appointment via Birth Registration on Northumberland County Council's website, or call on 0345 600 6400

Weigh Clinic
Seaton Delaval
Elsdon Avenue Church
10:00am-11:15am
(see page 2)

PEEP Stay & Play 0-5yrs Drop-in
Cramlington Community Hub (next to Concordia)
2nd Floor
1:30-2:30pm

***Empowering Parent/Carer Programme**
Blyth Central Family Hub
1:00-2:30pm
26th February-2nd April
(See page 2)

FRIDAY

PEEP Stay & Play (0-5yrs) Drop-in
Blyth Central Family Hub
9:30-11:00am

***PEEP Early Communicators**
Blyth West Family Hub
10:00-11:30am
27th February-30th March
(See page 2)

***PEEP Early Communicators**
Blyth West Family Hub
1:00 - 2:30pm
27th February-30th March
(See page 2)

***PEEP Babies 0-12mths**
Manor warms space in between the CEX shop and Bettini's coffee shop
1:30-2:30pm
27th February-30th March
(See page 2)

AND Sensory Chillout
Blyth Central Family Hub
4:00-5:30pm
(See page 2)

* Please note - any sessions with a * in front require a request for service form to be completed.

***HENRY WORKSHOPS** - You can choose from one or more of our workshops
EATING WELL FOR LESS (0-12yrs) - **UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIOUR (0-12yrs)** - **FUSSY EATING (1-7yrs)** - **LOOKING AFTER OURSELVES (0-12yrs)** - **STARTING SOLIDS (4-12yrs)**
Complete a Request for Service form and a Family Hub practitioner will contact you.

Blyth

Cramlington & Seaton Valley

PEEP Stay & Play 0-5years (previously known as LTTP 0-5)
Sessions for families to play and explore together, gain tips and techniques to support your child's development.

PEEP Babies (0-12 months)*
6 week course supporting you and your baby with helpful tips on play, communication & baby's development.

Peep Toddlers (1-2 years)*
Free 6 week course for parents/carers to give activity ideas, tips and techniques to enable you to support your child/ren's development.

CALM Stay & Play
A quieter and more relaxed Stay & Play session for those with additional needs and/or disabilities.

PEEP Early Communicators (15mths - 3 years)*
6 week course to support your child's journey through language & communication, play stories & fun activities.

PEEP Preschool (2-4 years)*
6 weeks course providing tips and activity ideas to support your child's development in a fun and friendly group.

HENRY (0-5yrs)*
8 week course, activities & strategies supporting good health, nutrition & exercise.

HENRY Workshops*
One off workshops - Starting Solids, Eating Well for Less, Understanding Behaviour & Fussy Eating & Looking After Ourselves.

HENRY Preparing for Parenthood*
6 sessions to support families expecting a new baby from 20 weeks pregnant to birth.

HENRY Growing Up*
8 sessions to support families with children 4-12 years to improve their health and wellbeing. Open to all families.

Feeding Friends
Come along for infant feeding advice and support, to have a chat and share tips with other parents

Weaning Workshops
Co-delivered by Health & Family Hub Practitioners. To book please call your single point of contact Health team on 0300 3732488.

Family Cafe
Our family cafe offers a very relaxed session for you to come along and just see what we are all about. Staff will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. Lets chat over a cuppa.

Free to Be

For young people 13-18 years who identify as LGBTQIA. Get support and advice, take part in activities and lots more. Free food/refreshments.

Weigh & Stay

Free session for parents/carers, have your baby/ies weighed, speak to a health professional. Stay and play together to explore activities and receive your baby book start pack. Book your appointment by ringing the single point of contact Health Team on 0300 3732488.

Sensory Chill Out (Additional Needs & Disabilities)

For the whole family who have children with learning or physical disabilities.

Emergency First Aid Awareness

Learn simple and easy techniques, jargon free to help you deal with common childhood incidents, injuries & occurrences.

Healthy Relationships (Virtual)*

Arguments are part of every healthy relationship for parents together or separated, but when they become frequent, intense and poorly resolved, they have a negative impact on you and your family. The Family Hub offers courses to support you and your family, click on the link for a membership form and to join courses.

Togetherness

Virtual sessions to support children's development. To access the sessions please use code HADRIAN.

Family Panels

Family panels are safe spaces for individuals and families to come together, share their thoughts, views and ideas to help shape the development of the Family Hubs

Empowering Parent & Carer Programme*

For parents/carers of a child/young person/adult up to 25 years with additional needs or disabilities.
6 weeks programme to help support your wellbeing.


Family Hubs
Here for everyone


BEST START IN LIFE

*Please note request for service form to be completed.

Address

-  **Blyth Central Family Hub**
103 Wright Street
Blyth, NE24 1HG
Tel:01670 798800
-  **Blyth West Family Hub**
Devonworth Place
Blyth, NE24 5AQ
Tel:01670 625574
-  **Astley Park Pavillion**
Seaton Delaval
NE25 0AE
-  **Hop-in Building**
Hareside Primary School
Cramlington, NE25 6BH
-  **Cramlington Community Hub**
Cramlington
NE23 6YB
-  **Warm Space, Manor Walks Shopping Centre**
Cramlington, NE23 6UT

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