

Message from Headteacher

It has been a short but busy half term. I am amazed at how much we have fitted in over the last month and a half. In just the last week alone, since the last newsletter, we have had the wonderful performance from the drama club run by the University of Chester students, three football matches at Blacon High School, Reception children completing their balance bike training, a dance performance from the Street Dance Club, our school bank opening even more saving accounts, a visit to All Saints' Church and representatives delivering Easter gifts to a local residential home!

You can probably guess that we have lots more planned for the Summer term!

We have had a record number of applications for Reception places at our school for September 2024, including the highest number of first choice applications over the last five years. It really is a privilege to lead such a dynamic and vibrant school family.

Staying Safe & Respectful Online, with Mobile Phones and when Gaming

Over Easter, may I respectfully ask that all parents/carers monitor their children's interactions when using technology, such as group messaging or talking to other players on games consoles. Sadly, cases of children of all ages being subjected to grooming or bullying via technology are becoming more and more common.

We talk to children a lot in school about staying safe online and maintaining respectful relationships with their friends but we need families to play an active role in monitoring and reinforcing our messages.

There is a wealth of information about internet safety, common apps and games available on our school website in the Staying Safe section, which can be found in the School Information for Parents and Carers area.

The national CEOP (Child Exploitation & Online Protection) website (https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/) also contains information for parents/carers and interactive resources that families can play together to reinforce safety messages. If you have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child or young person in relation to any issues, including online grooming or bullying, please contact I-ART (Social Care) on 0300 123 7047.

Message from Headteacher (continued)

Clubs

Our extensive Summer Term clubs offering was launched for booking yesterday. We do hope your child will find something to enjoy. If a club has been fully booked, please email admin@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk to join a waiting list. Places will be confirmed when we return from the Easter break.

Next term is also busy with national tests for children in Year 1, Year 4 and Year 6. Children in Year 2 will also have some tests although these are less formal and the results used to support your children's teachers to assess their progress. Key dates for these tests for each year group are shown below. Please ensure that your children are present and in school on the dates specified.

I look forward to welcoming our school family back on Monday 15th April. Thank you again for your continued support, goodwill and loyalty towards our school. I hope that you all have a peaceful and enjoyable Easter break.

Year group	Tests	Date	Additional Information		
Year 6	National SAT Tests	Week beginning 13 th May 2024	Monday 13 th May - Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling Tuesday 14 th May - Reading Wednesday 15 th May - Maths Paper 1 & 2 Thursday 16 th May - Maths Paper 3		
			We offer free breakfast for all Year 6 pupils during this week – bacon and sausages sandwiches. Your child's teacher will talk to them regarding this. Results are formally reported with		
			children's summer reports.		
Year 4	Online Multiplication Tables test	Between 3 – 21 June 20024	Results are formally reported with children's summer reports.		
Year 1	Phonics Screening Test	Week beginning 10 th June 2024	Results are formally reported with children's summer reports.		
Year 2	Phonics screening Test (selected pupils only	Week beginning 10 th June 2024	Phonics test re-taken by pupils who did not take or did not pass the test in Year 1. Children who passed the phonics screening test in Year 1 do not re-take it.		
Year 2	Up until this academic year, children in Year 2 also took national tests in the summer term. These tests are optional from this year. Pupils in Year 2 will sit these tests to inform and support their teacher's assessment. They will be completed in such a way as to avoid causing stress for children as they only contribute one small piece of the jigsaw we put together to assess children's overall attainment and progress in Year 2.				

Chester University Club Show



Last Friday, our performing arts group put on a spectacular show- Snow White with a twist for parents. The children have worked with students from Chester University to learn the script and dances in only six weeks. We and the students from the Chester University are so proud of their hard work, how they have worked as a team and how much their confidence has grown over the weeks.

Audacious Church Show



Years 3, 4 and 5 were invited to watch Audacious Schools perform their Easter Show on Monday - What's it all about? - a short performance that teaches the children about the events from Holy Week. Children loved the songs and the acting and learnt through the eyes of a time traveller the real meaning behind Easter.



Summer Term Forest School & PE Timetable

Year	Class	PE Days	Information	Forest School	Information
R	RJ	Thursdays	Wear PE kit to school	Wednesdays	Wear Forest School clothes to school
	RM	Thursdays	Wear PE kit to school	Wednesdays	Wear Forest School clothes to school
1	1WS	Tuesday & Wednesday	Wear PE kit to school on Tuesdays. Wear suitable clothes for both activities on Wednesdays	Wednesdays	Wear suitable clothes for both activities on Wednesdays
	1H	Tuesday & Wednesday	Wear PE kit to school on Tuesdays. Wear suitable clothes for both activities on Wednesdays	Wednesdays	Wear suitable clothes for both activities on Wednesdays
2	2EI	Monday & Thursday	Wear PE kit to school	-	-
	2C	Monday & Thursday	Wear PE kit to school	-	-
3	3WK	Tuesday & Friday	Wear PE kit to school	-	-
	3U	Tuesday & Friday	Wear PE kit to school	-	-
4	4SJ	Wednesday & Friday	Wear PE kit to school	-	-
	4K	Wednesday & Friday	Wear PE kit to school	-	-
5	5S	Tuesday & Thursday	Wear PE kit to school on Tuesdays.	Alternate Thursdays	Wear suitable clothes for both activities. Check www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/events for dates.
	5M	Tuesday & Thursday	Wear PE kit to school	Alternate Thursdays	Wear suitable clothes for both activities. Check www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/events for dates.
6	6B	Monday & Wednesday	Wear PE kit to school	Alternate Tuesdays	Wear Forest School clothes to school. Check www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/events for dates.
	6R	Monday & Wednesday	Wear PE kit to school	Alternate Tuesdays	Wear Forest School clothes to school. Check www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/events for dates.

PE Lessons

Children should come to school in PE kit on the days they have PE lessons. Please see the timetable above.

Thank you for supporting us in ensuring that your child's school uniform, PE kit and school shoes are in line with our school uniform code.

Our PE kit is as follows:

Indoor: plain white t-shirt, black/navy shorts, pumps or trainers, plus school branded jumper/cardigan.

Outdoor: plain tracksuits (navy/royal blue or black), plus school branded jumper/cardigan.

Forest School

Children should come to school in suitable outdoor clothes on the days they have Forest School sessions. Please see the timetable above. Please note that if your child has PE and Forest School on the same day, they will need to wear clothes to suit both activities.

Suitable outdoor clothes include:

- Long trousers such as leggings, jogging bottoms or waterproof trousers etc.
- School Branded Jumper or Cardigan
- Waterproof coat (not just "showerproof")
- Wellies/Outdoor shoes
- Gloves/hats if the weather is cold

Sports News

Last Friday, we took three football teams to Blacon High School to play against Dee Point Primary School. All the children were brilliant and we were very impressed with the standard of football.

The Year 5/6 team showed great teamwork and won 8-4. The girls' team really enjoyed playing and won 3-0. Our Year 3-4 team performed really well despite having not played together before and they worked really hard. Unfortunately, they lost their game.

We were very proud of all the players and of how well they played. Well done everyone!

Duck Design Winners



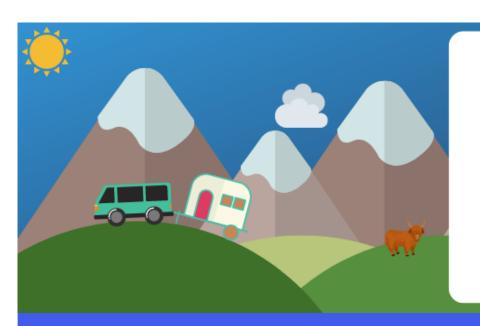


FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

TOMBOLA | RAFFLE

CANDY FLOSS | BOUNCY CASTLE | GAMES

FOOD STALLS | BRIC-A-BRAC STALLS



Have a great break!

School re-opens on Monday 15th April

Hoole CE Primary School



29th March	Good Friday (School closed)		
1st - 14th April	School Holidays (School closed)		
18th April	Catch up 3-4 Football Club (1/3)		
19h April	Catch up 3-4 Dodgeball Club (1/2)		
19h April	Last Digital Wizards Club		
20th April	Chester Duck Race		
24th April	Y5 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)		
25th April	Catch up 3-4 Football Club (2/3)		
26th April	Catch up 3-4 Dodgeball Club (2/2)		
30th April	Year 3 Trip		
1st May	Catch up 3-4 Football Club (3/3)		
3rd May	Y3 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)		
10th May	Y1 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)		



Easter Party

For Primary School aged children

Thursday 21st March 5 - 6.30pm

You're invited to our Easter party! There will be Easter themed crafts, games and fun.

We'll also be serving a yummy tea of chicken nuggets and chips and fruit for pudding!

Please sign up using the QR code below





