

# 28th April Newsletter



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## Message from Headteacher

I am delighted with the determination and enthusiasm of children who have represented the school in various sports competitions this week. I am really proud of our winning netball team – how wonderful to be league champions! The football team also enjoyed an important win and we have also had golf teams in action this week. Thanks to all pupils who have represented us so admirably, to parents and carers who have helped with transport to sports events and to my staff who do such a brilliant job in training our teams.

### Workshops

We are entering a busy period with national examinations. Please look out for workshops if your child is in Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 over coming weeks. These sessions are designed to provide practical information for families so you know what your child's class will face and how you can help them to prepare.

The session for Year 2 families is being held on Wednesday next week (3rd May) at 3.30pm. Thanks to parents and carers of pupils in Year 6 who attended the online SATs workshop on Thursday this week. If you were unable to participate, information will be sent home for you to read.

### Strike Action

I would like to pass on sincere apologies for disruption caused to families as a result of strike action. As a result of a further strike next week, **pupils in Mallard, Irish Mails and Pendolino classes will not attend on Tuesday 2nd May.** As stated in my recent letter, children are welcome to come to school to attend after school club activities on Tuesday as normal.

**Thinking of going on holiday?  
Think Twice!!**

**It's a downhill slope for your  
child's education when you  
take holidays in term time!**



# Royal Celebrations

## A RIGHT ROYAL PICNIC LUNCH



**Thursday 4th May 2023**

to celebrate the King's Coronation

We will be having a Right Royal Picnic on Thursday 4th May as part of our celebration for the King's Coronation. Our Catering Team will be serving a selection of sandwiches (ham/cheese/tuna), a special crown biscuit and a packet of crisps along with a drink.

If you would like your child to have a school picnic lunch on the day, there is no need to pre-order. Your child can just order their sandwich selection on the day.

Please note that there will be **no hot dinners served** on the picnic day. School picnic lunches are charged at £2.45, payable via the School Gateway app. Children who bring in a packed lunch will also join the festive picnic celebrations.

Let's hope we have lovely weather for it!



## Sports news



Children from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 represented the school at the inter school tri-golf tournament this week at Vicar's Cross golf club. They took part in 12 different golfing challenges requiring them to pitch and putt the ball. The children played well and all of them came back better golfers!

Special mention to Emma in Year 3 for being the first person in the whole competition to get a hole in one!





# Sports News

What a team these girls are! Our Year 5-6 Netball Team demonstrated fantastic sportsmanship and great perseverance and determination earlier this week. They played 7 Netball matches against 7 local Chester schools and won every single match! Coming 1st out of 8 school teams. Well done girls! We are extremely proud of them all!



On Monday, we entertained Tarvin Primary School in the 2nd round of the Boys Cup.

The whole squad were certainly up for the challenge and started off with a cracking pace which they managed to maintain throughout the whole match, not giving Tarvin any time to settle on the ball.

After displaying some excellent technique, passing and teamwork the boys were triumphant in victory, winning 2-0 at the final whistle. Well done boys! Impressive goal celebrations too!



# KS1 Assessment Information Sessions

Pupils in Year 2 will undertake tests in Reading, Writing and Mathematics during May.

The results from these assessments inform teacher assessment of your child's attainment at the end of Year 2.

There is an information session for parents and carers at school on **Wednesday 3rd May at 3.30pm** to provide information regarding these tests.

The information provided in this session will be sent to all parents and carers after the meeting. We will provide activities for children to do whilst the meeting is in session.

Every year, children in Year 1 are required to sit the **National Phonics Screening Check**. Children who do not achieve a 'pass' score in the Summer term of Year 1 are required to sit the check the following year when they are nearing the end of Year 2.

We are inviting parents and carers to an information evening on **Tuesday 9th May 2023**. This will start at 4.15pm. The session will end by 5.15pm at the latest.

The aim of the evening is for you to come along and find out what the Screening Check is, what the children will need to do and how we will be preparing them for it.

We will give you a past paper to look at and to take home with you. We will also give ideas for how you can support your child(ren) at home.

If you would like to attend this event, please sign up via the school website or School Spider app.



## A Great Success

Our amazing PTA raised a

**MASSIVE  
£242.57**

on the Easter chocolate stall before the holidays!

We cannot thank our PTA and all the families who donated to the stall enough for all your effort in supporting our school.

We can't wait for the all the fun of the PTA Summer Fair which will take place on Friday 16th June!







It's back!



# SECRET STORYTELLER

Request your story and enjoy it on our YouTube Channel



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Summer  
2023

LOVE  
BOOKS



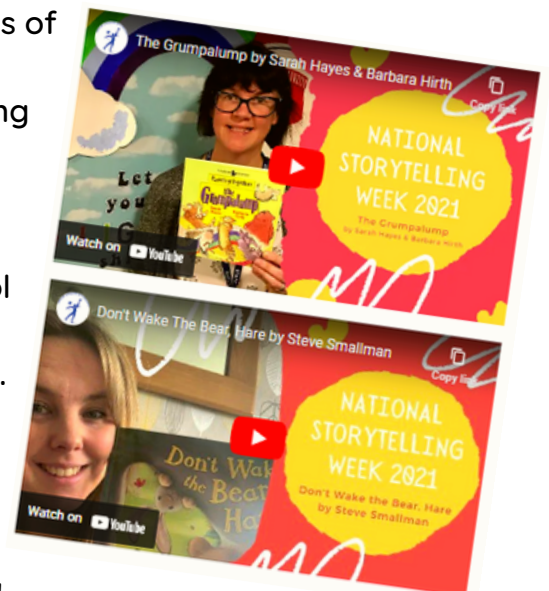
SCAN ME



You may remember during Lockdown, we produced a series of videos of staff reading some of our favourite stories for children at home. By popular demand, we will be relaunching our Secret Storytelling videos and we need YOU to tell us which stories you would like us to read!

Our original videos are still available to watch on the school website. If you would like to relive the magic, please visit, [www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/page/secret-storyteller/94598](http://www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/page/secret-storyteller/94598).

If you would like to request a story, you can let us know at the School Office, over the phone (01244 323890), via email, [admin@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk), or via any of our social media pages, Facebook, Twitter or Instagram!





# Fire Brigade Visit Reception



Did someone call 999?!

In Reception we had a treat this week. We had a visit from Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service. The firefighters showed the children all the equipment they carry on board, from hoses to ladders, breathing apparatus, a fan for clearing thick smoke and the jaws for cutting people free.

The children asked lots of questions and were very well behaved. Reception let their light shine.







# LIGHTHOUSE KEEPERS WANTED!

**Our school family is amazing!  
We are looking to set up a brand new  
group of helpers called the  
Lighthouse Keepers!**

**Do you have a couple of hours  
to spare a few times a term?**

**Could you help with some of  
our activities at school?**

- Weeding/maintaining flower beds
- Helping on the allotment and greenhouse
- Supporting cookery and textiles lessons
- Helping on local school trips
- Supporting woodworking and technology lessons

## **INTERESTED?**

Please send an email to  
[sarahjones@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:sarahjones@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk)



# We are setting up a brand new group of helpers called the “Lighthouse Keepers”!

You could be:

★ Friends in our community

★ Parents

★ Grandparents

★ Family members

★ Church Family



Do you have a couple of hours to spare a few times a term?

Could you help with any activities like gardening and landscape design or technology, cooking, woodworking, sewing, arts and crafts, school trips or other activities that would benefit from some additional guiding hands?

Occasionally, we need help with activities in school. We would like to form a core group of volunteers. This will help our children to get the most out of practical activities and enable them to gain as many exciting experiences as possible.

If you are interested in potentially becoming part of this group, or would like some more information, we would love to hear from you!

Please email Mrs Jones [sarahjones@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:sarahjones@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk)

In the email, please make it clear who you are and if you have links with children in the school. Please also let us know what sort of activities you are interested in helping out with! (It would also be useful to know if you already have had a DBS check).

We can't wait to hear from you and begin on this exciting new development in our school family.



Hoole Church of England Shakespeare Club  
proudly presents



Join us for a performance of Romeo & Juliet at school on Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th May 6-7pm.



Tickets are free and available from the School Office

## May Forest School Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1	2	3	4	5
	BANK HOLIDAY		COT DOH  Henry James	Irish Mails Flying Scotsman	
	8	9	10	11	12
	BANK HOLIDAY	Thunderbird	COT DOH  Henry James	NO FOREST SCHOOL	
	15	16	17	18	19
	Evening Star	Pendolino	COT DOH  Henry James	Irish Mails Flying Scotsman  Shinkansen Eurostar	
	22	23	24	25	26
	NO FOREST SCHOOL	Thunderbird	COT DOH  Henry James	Irish Mails Flying Scotsman  Shinkansen Eurostar	
	29	30	31	1	2
	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS

# Letting Their Light Shine



We have an abundance of shining stars this week!

Year 2's Arianwen played the first netball match of the season for Chester Netball Club in Warrington and they won 8-3. She got joint player of the match after some brilliant defending.

Isaac in Reception is super-creative and made this wonderful dolphin ornament!

Maisie plays for Upton Under 6 Girls Team and achieved Player of the Day for demonstrating her wonderful skills. Eleanor was awarded this fine medal for her fast passing and numerous tries scored during a rugby match last weekend!

Layla-Rose danced her socks off at her recent ballet performance of Work in Progress 2023, plus she made a beautiful star wand all by herself!

Verity has achieved her level 6 Trampoline Proficiency! Rose made her Rainbow promise. Alex attends karate classes and has progressed to yellow and white belt!

Super Samson is up to Grade 5 swimming and was awarded a fabulous certificate and badge!

Liberty not only achieved her Grade 4 Swimming badge, she was also awarded Grade 9 in Gymnastics!

Daryna competed in an ice-skating competition in Sheffield last week and danced beautifully!

Well done everyone!



# Meet Our Team!



## Meet the Teacher

Mrs Jones  
Forest School teacher  
Science Subject Leader

### ABOUT ME

Hello! I'm Mrs Jones (Mrs J), and I am the Outdoor Learning teacher at Hoole, taking every year group for both Forest School sessions and Horticulture lessons in our school allotment, The PATCH, throughout the year. I am also the Science Subject Leader across all year groups too.

### MY EXPERIENCE

I started as a teacher at Hoole CE Primary in 2011 as a class teacher and then moved into whole school Outdoor Learning a few years ago. Before I was a teacher, I used to sell advertising for Yellow Pages which was a very different sort of job! I much prefer spending my time having fun with children!

### FUN FACT

I spent a lot of my childhood riding horses and I even used to ride a cow at a farm my Dad lived at too!

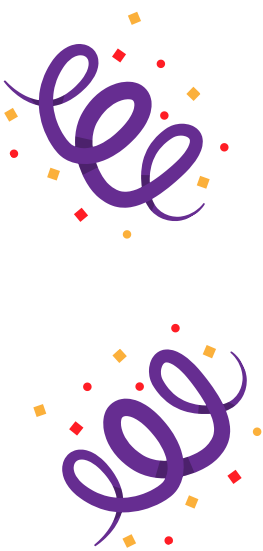
### FUN FACT

My claim to fame is that my Uncle's wife is related to Charles Darwin! The Year 6 children will know who that is!

# Birthday Celebrations

Many happy returns to all our birthday buddies!

We hope you enjoy your birthday book.



ISAAC,  
LAWSON,  
ALEXA, IVY,  
DOLLY, PIXIE,  
AND HOLLY

# Let's Celebrate!

The following children received a class honour for letting their light shine this week!

**Taher U**

**Sam G**

**Maddison K**

**Olivia L**

**Connie P**

**Evelyn T**

**Honey V-R**

**Isabelle B**

**Ahaan S-S**

**George D**

**Yusuf A**

**Ayana M**

**Cooper M**

**Clara L**

## Key Dates

1st May

Bank Holiday (school closed to pupils)

2nd May

Strike Action: Irish Mails/Mallard/Pendolino

3rd May

Y2 Assessment Information Evening 3.30pm

4th May

Royal Picnic Lunch (sandwiches available only)

5th May

Y1-6 Mandarin Club Starts

8th May

Bank Holiday (school closed to pupils)

9th May

Y1 Phonics Information Evening 4.15pm

15th - 19th May

Eurostar Swimming Week

18th May

American Theme Menu

22nd May

Summer Music Extravaganza 6pm All Saints'

22nd - 26th May

Shinkansen Swimming Week