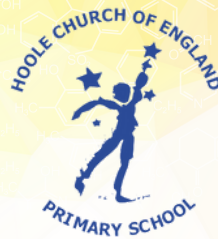


# 15th March Newsletter



## Message from Headteacher

Our school family is growing fast! Emilia Ava Kelly (Emmy), daughter of Mr & Mrs Kelly, was born on Wednesday morning. The family are thrilled and are all doing very well. We send them best wishes and many congratulations on behalf of our whole school family.

Mr Kelly will be on paternity leave until after the Easter break so his clubs will not run. Families will not lose out if you have paid for one of Mr Kelly's clubs as there will be additional sessions planned for after Easter or alternative arrangements made.

### Roads around School

I have written to families on numerous occasions regarding parking and driving around the school site.

You are aware that we do our best to police this on a daily basis in the absence of any additional support from external agencies.

I am seeking to recruit a team of parents/carers to help to manage the crossing opposite the school near the old Sykes Cottages building.

The team will be responsible for helping families to cross where we usually have the cones out to prevent people parking on double yellow lines. This is a busy area as cars are often driving in and out of this area. The cones usually prevent parking across the crossing area although we do sometimes have ongoing issues with irresponsible parking around the Sykes Cottages site, which is private property and should not be used by school related traffic.

If you would be able to volunteer for one morning or afternoon a week, please let me know via the school office. You would need to be able to commit to being available from 8.25am until 8.50am for at least one day a week. The role involves ensuring that children and families can cross safely in front of the parking area at the Sykes Cottages building before they reach Mrs Mourant on the zebra crossing to come into school. You would also monitor parking around this area to ensure that the area was kept clear and safe for everyone.

We still have parents/carers stopping the flow of traffic by letting their children jump out of cars in front of school. Please either park up or stop your car further away from school and invite your child to walk the last part of your journey to school. In the past, we have explored setting up initiatives like a walking bus. This did not proceed in the past as we did not have volunteers for the areas where we most needed it. If you could help with a walking bus scheme, please let me know via the school office so we can evaluate if setting this up would alleviate some of the traffic issues around school.

## Community Clothes Cabin

Just a reminder that our Community Clothes Cabin is open for business. The Cabin has a variety of pre-loved clothing in good condition in all sizes. Parents/carers are welcome to visit the clothes cabin and take any items which they can use.

The cabin is opened in the morning before school, throughout the day and after school. Please feel free to help yourself – no donations required.

If you are having a clear out and have some pre-loved clothes in good condition that you could donate, please hand them into the school office. We urgently need more hangers. If you have any hangers you are no longer using, please donate them to school by handing them in at the school office.

## Parent/Carer Open Evening & School Bank

A reminder that we have our Open Evening on Wednesday 20th March from 5pm to 6.30pm. Parents/carers may visit to speak to school staff about aspects of school life including the following:

- Phonics and early reading;
- Helping your child with Maths;
- Early Years – supporting children with early learning;
- Curriculum & Assessment – how we organise the curriculum in school, how this is delivered and how we assess pupils' progress;
- Promoting a love of reading and keeping children engaged in reading;
- Teaching and learning of Science in school;
- School Social media platforms;
- Behaviour management, developing routines and supporting children at home;
- Attendance and punctuality;
- Special Educational Needs – identification and support.

We will also be joined by local agencies who can provide help and advice about a variety of issues. Representatives from the following agencies will be present:

- HETTY - Advice about Nursery and pre-school provision, including 15 and 30 funded hours applications;
- All Saints' Church – for information about groups and activities in church for people of all ages, including pre-school children
- Citizens Advice Bureau
- Home Energy Advisors
- West Cheshire Credit Union - **your child can also open their School Bank account earning 5% interest - don't forget to bring ID (Passport/birth cert)!!**
- Family Learning Team
- Cheshire West & Chester Living Well Service

We are offering childcare. Children who come with their parents/carers can enjoy some extra playtime from 5 – 6.30pm. They will be able to join with friends to enjoy some late games after school hours!

## Science Week

A huge thank you to all of the visitors who have been in school this week to enrich Science Week. We have welcomed friends from several scientific fields, industry and higher education. All of our visitors have provided engaging presentations which have enabled children to challenge stereotypes and consider the ways in which science helps our everyday life.



Thank you if you were able to join us for the Science Showcase on Tuesday evening. It was wonderful to celebrate the children's work in Science with you and another opportunity for pupils to share and talk about their learning.

Our Science Ambassadors, comprising of children from Reception to Year six, have made a massive contribution to promoting Science and supporting activities this week.

A final huge thank you to Mrs King, who has worked tirelessly to make our British Science Week celebration such as vibrant and interesting event in our school calendar.

Mrs King has invested so much time in organising competitions, activities, and presentations. Please celebrate this by reading the Science Week newsletter.



GOLD AWARD

valid 2016-2019



BRITISH  
SCIENCE  
WEEK

# OF ADVICE

## INFORMATION

## EVENING

Wednesday  
20th March  
5-6.30pm



### AGENCIES AVAILABLE

Citizens  
Advice

Parents, Carers and family members are welcome to join us for the opportunity to talk to and seek advice from school staff and representatives from a range of helpful agencies!

Home  
Energy  
Advisors

School Staff will be available to talk to families and answer questions about a range of issues including:

HETTY  
Nursery

- Phonics and early reading;
- Helping your child with Maths;
- Advice about Nursery and pre-school provision, including 15 and 30 funded hours applications;

Family  
Learning  
Team

- Early Years – supporting children with early learning;
- Curriculum & Assessment – how we organise the curriculum in school, how this is delivered and how we assess pupils' progress;

All Saints'  
Church

- Promoting a love of reading and keeping children engaged in reading;
- Teaching and learning of Science in school;

West  
Cheshire  
Credit  
Union

- School Social media platforms;
- Behaviour management, developing routines and supporting children at home;

Living  
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Service

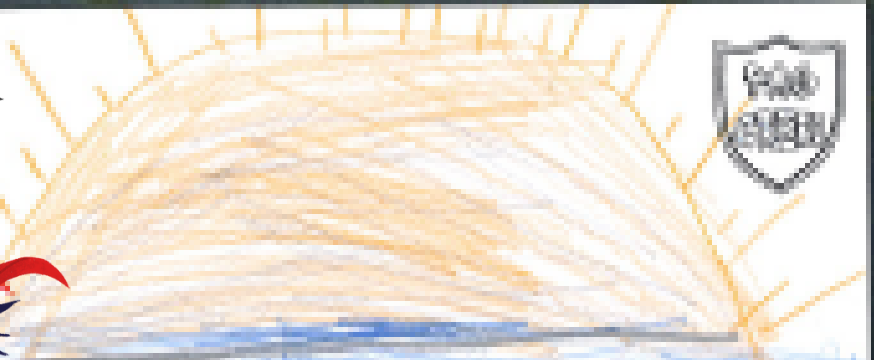
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- Special Educational Needs – Identification and support.

**CHILDCARE  
AVAILABLE!**

Staff will lead games  
to keep your child  
occupied!



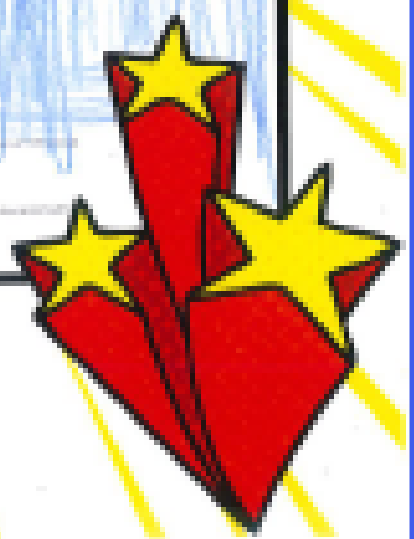
**WINNER**



LET  
YOUR  
LIGHT  
SHINE

What does your Hero say to help you with your attendance?

Stay happy so you don't  
get sick.



Name: Imogen  
Class: 2B

Your Hero's name:  
Molly

# Chester Duck Race



We are very excited to be taking part in the annual Chester Duck Race in April and we need your help! Pupils have been asked to design a duck that represents our school. The winning design will be painted or built onto our huge rubber duck!

Our duck has been kindly sponsored by The Riverside Takeaway, who are a wonderful family-run cafe situated on The Groves. Everyone is invited to watch our duck bobbing along the River Dee, which will be totally quackers!

**Please hand any completed duck design sheet into the School Office by the end of the day on Monday 18th March 2024. Good luck!**

## Sports News



Our fabulous team of netballers played in a local tournament on Tuesday. They won 2 and lost 2 (one was very unlucky with a last-minute shot being disallowed due to time).

Well done, they showed some fantastic netball skills and team spirit.

# Loan Shark Competition



A MASSIVE congratulations to Lexi and Faith who submitted the winning designs for the recent West Cheshire Credit Union Loan Shark Awareness Competition.

They really let their imaginations and their lights shine in their magnificent designs and we couldn't be more proud of them. Well done!



## Parent Forums

We are keen to recruit parents/carers to join new parent groups in school.

We currently have a Parent Forum for parents/carers of pupils with additional needs. We consult with Parent Forums to discuss proposed plans and developments to our ways of working in school.

We would like to set up more Parent Forums. We are interested in setting up forums for:

- Parents/Carers of children with English as an additional language or from diverse ethnic groups;
- Parents/Carers of children who are eligible for free school meals.

If you would like to find out more or join one of the new Parent Forums, please email the school office to register your interest as soon as possible.

# PARENT FORUM



## SIGN UP NOW!

email [admin@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk)

# Easter Lunch

Our lovely Catering Team will be cooking up a storm on Wednesday 27th March, with an Easter roast dinner available to those children having a school lunch!

If your child would like to order a school lunch for this event, there's no need to pre-book; just let us know on the day. The usual £2.70 cost applies or free for those children in receipt of Free School Meals and for Reception/ Key Stage 1 children.

Please note that a vegetarian option will also be available, plus the usual selection of sandwiches and jacket potatoes.



# EASTER LUNCH

Wednesday 27th March

To celebrate Easter we will be serving a traditional roast dinner with roast chicken or Quorn fillet, roasted and mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables along with special Easter biscuits!

# Birthdays



Amy-Lou, Can.  
Daisy, Ethan.  
Christopher.  
Ruhaani, Jihinura  
& River!

Many happy returns to all our birthday buddies!  
We hope you enjoy your birthday book!



# Key Dates

18th March	Team 1H Parents' Evening
19th March	Year 6 SATS information evening
19th March	Team 1H Parents' Evening
20th March	House of Hoole Meeting 8.30am
20th March	Parent Information Evening 5pm - 6:30pm
21st March	Reception Bikeability (sign-ups only)
27th March	Easter Service (Pupils only)
29th March	Good Friday (School closed)
1st - 14th April	School Holidays (School closed)
20th April	Chester Duck Race
24th April	Y5 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)
3rd May	Y3 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)
10th May	Y1 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)
15th May	Y4 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)
22nd May	YR Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)
27th - 31st May	School Holidays (School closed)
3rd June	INSET Day (School closed)
7th June	PTA Summer Fair



**FREE**

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kids

# 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



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all saints hoole



# In Partnership with Cheshire West and Chester Learning & Skills Hubs

## Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties Level 2

This qualification is aimed at equipping parents and carers with essential knowledge about various Specific Learning Difficulties, such as Autism, Dyslexia, Attention Deficit, and Hyperactivity Disorder. It focuses on understanding the diagnosis process and providing effective strategies for offering support. This course is tailored to meeting the needs of parents and carers looking to enhance their awareness and expertise in addressing the specific learning challenges their children may face.

**\*This course is FREE to complete if you meet all eligibility criteria for funding\***



### What you will learn:

- Understanding specific learning difficulties including characteristics and co-occurring conditions
- Understanding common misconceptions and how the difficulty is a lifelong condition
- The effects of learning difficulties and the barriers an individual may experience
- The importance of getting a diagnosis
- The diagnosis and how to support an individual with a learning difficulty in different settings
- Understand the roles of professionals in providing support
- Different coping strategies and assistive technology that can be used
- The relevant legislation, policies and guidance



### What you will get?

**Accredited Certification**

Level 2

*Certificate In Understanding Specific  
Learning Difficulties*

### Induction:

Tuesday 16th April  
9.30am - 12.30pm

### Start Date:

Tuesday 23rd April  
9.30am - 2.30pm

**5 Sessions Every Tuesday**

### Location:

The Hughes Centre, Dale Barracks  
Liverpool Road, Chester CH2 4BD

To book on to this course or if you have any  
questions please contact the team:

[info@3dtraining.uk.com](mailto:info@3dtraining.uk.com)  
0151 294 4749

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FOR ELIGIBLE FREE SCHOOL MEAL CHILDREN

ACROSS WEST CHESHIRE

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# EASTER

## Family Market

Sunday March 31st 2024

11-3.30 PM

FREE ENTRY

EASTER  
BUNNY  
VISIT

Mercure Abotts Well Chester Hotel, Chester. CH3 5QB

30+ Stalls, Easter Hunt, Live Singer,  
The Circus Academy, Pet A Pat,  
Dottie The Easter Pony, Wizardry Workshops, Crafts & More

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