# 21st April Newsletter





# Message from Headteacher

It was a pleasure to welcome pupils back to school on Tuesday morning. Thank you for returning your child looking so happy, rested and so smart in their uniform.

Thank you again for your cooperation in raising standards and supporting us in trying to secure more consistency with regards to clothing on PE and Forest School days.

We have started another term with big plans for lots of exciting and events and activities. This is also busy term with national tests for pupils in Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6.

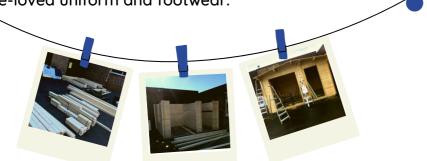
The national tests are as follows:

Year Group	Assessments	Date
1	Phonics Screening Check	12 <sup>th</sup> June
2	SAT tests in Reading, Writing and Mathematics	May
2	Phonics Screening Check for those pupils who have not yet met the expected standard. (This is pupils who did not meet the standard in Year 1 or who have not yet taken the screening test.)	12 <sup>th</sup> June
4	Multiplication tables check	5 <sup>th</sup> June – 12 <sup>th</sup> June
6	SAT tests in Reading, Writing and Mathematics	9 <sup>th</sup> May – 12 <sup>th</sup> May

Please ensure that your child is in school every day and present for national assessments.

#### **Story Shack & Uniform Union**

You may have spotted the Story Shack and Uniform Union at the front of school. This is being fitted out inside and will open soon. The Story Shack will have stocks of books and games that families can borrow and the Uniform Union will be full with pre-loved uniform and footwear.



If you have any books or educational/board games in good condition, please consider donating them to school. We hope to ensure that the Story Shack and Uniform Union are well used by our school family.

#### **Shakespeare Show**

Shakespeare Club present their performances of Romeo and Juliet at school on Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th May. The show starts at 6pm and runs for approximately 45 minutes. Doors open for family members of performers at 5.50pm and for other audience members at 5.55pm.

All families are welcome to get tickets for the shows and I would be grateful for a good turn out to show support for the Shakespeare Club members who have worked so hard to rehearse the show.

If you would like to join us, please get your tickets from the School Office. They are completely free and we would be pleased to see you.

#### **Clubs**

We look forward to our clubs offer starting next week.

Our school is quite special in the range of free clubs and after school activities we offer, thanks to staff giving up their time after school so generously.

This term, we have included even more new ways for children to let their lights shine with Fun French with Mrs Walsh, Mindfulness Art for Year 1 and Newspaper Club.

#### Reminder

I know we are getting towards the period when some families start to think about ordering uniform for September in plenty of time. Just to reiterate, the school badge will not change for September 2023 and any change will be phased in over time.

### **Easter Surprise!**

We had a magical afternoon in the Forest with Reception classes this week. The children have all learnt to identify male and female blackbirds, along with some other birds in the Spring term. We were enthralled when Bertie and Belinda Blackbird visited us in the Forest, showing us how they were gathering food for their chicks, hopping around and filling their beaks up with delicious worms!

Even more excitingly, we then saw them fly into the outdoor classroom, The Hive! They had been busy building the nest in the rafters and hatching chicks over the Easter holidays!

We were careful not to disturb them and made sure they had lots of yummy bird food to eat by sprinkling it high and low in the Forest. What a lovely surprise!



#### Summer Curriculum

We are fully committed to providing our pupils with a broad and balanced curriculum at Hoole Primary. We include regular trips and high quality learning experiences to enrich the curriculum and provide opportunities for children to explore learning beyond the classroom.

For more in-depth information of the annual and termly curriculum for your child's year group, please visit the relevant Class pages on our website, www.hooleceprimary.co.uk.



#### Year 4 Trip

The children in Thunderbird and Pendolino class had a marvellous time on Thursday exploring the Jewish synagogue in Liverpool. They listened intently to a wonderful presentation on how Jews worship and live out their faith. They were able to explore the furniture and even see the Torah scrolls in the Ark cupboard. We learnt that one scroll would cost about £40,000 they are handwritten!

The children were excellent Ambassadors for our school and thoughtfully thanked our two hosts thoughtfully.

At the Sikh place of worship, the Gurdwara on Wellington Avenue we were able to eat our lunch in the Langar and explore the worship space. We heard music on a harmonium and also saw the Guru Granth Sahib, the Holy book. Several children expressed their gratitude for what they had learned. I was so proud of our children and their respectful attitudes and I'm looking forward to building on this experience as we explore these Faiths in the coming weeks.









## **Hoole Church of England Primary School**



# LIGHTHOUSE KEPERS 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



Please send an email to sarahjones@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk



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#### You could be:

<mark>Fr</mark>iends 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

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.

## **Royal Celebrations**





# **Thursday 4th May 2023**

to celebrate the King's Coronation

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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!



#### **Podcast**

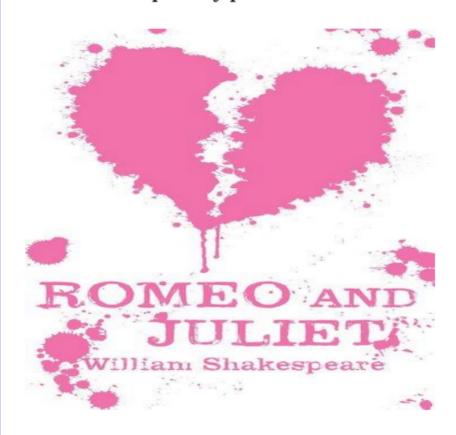
We have been recommended a sporty podcast by one of our school families called Football For Kids, which features lots of episodes about different football players and their inspiring careers.

You can listen here:

https://podcasts.apple.com/kz/podcast/q-a-part-2/id1627973563?i=1000609178991



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

## St Georges Day

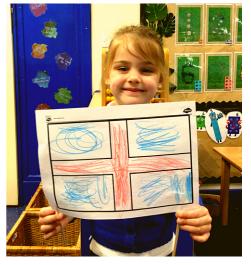
We have been learning all about Saint Georges Day in Reception this week. We made shields, flags and made the England flag with playdough and red Lego bricks!













Pippa achieved her level 9 Gymnast Award, Maya was awarded Gym Star of the Week and Norah competed at Deeside Gymnastics Academy gaining two medals and achieving 4th place overall!

We have an abundance of shining stars this week!

Verity completed her 10 metre swim and was awarded a certificate and Georgie and Willow-Rose made their Rainbow promises.

Henry achieved the Chief Scout Silver Award, which is the highest award a Cub can earn! He completed all seven of the Challenge Awards which are all about stepping outside your comfort zone and trying out something new. Henry also enjoyed obtaining over 30 activity badges! Well done Henry!

Mahfuz has a very busy school holiday! Not only was he fasting for Ramadam, he created an inspiring presentation to share with his class and he competed in a televised Badminton tournament where his club won!

Jenson competed in a football event over the holidays he got a medal for scoring lots of goals!

Jac, Ana, Daisy, Ethan and Morgan mastered skiing over the Easter holidays adding a new skill to their belts! Daisy and Ethan also competed in the Chester Rugby Festival. What a sporty bunch!

Well done everyone!

#### Meet Our Team!



# Meet the Teacher

Mrs Salisbury Year 5 teacher ICT Subject Lead

#### ABOUT ME

My name is Mrs Salisbury and I currently teach in Year 5. I have 2 daughters who are 8 and 5 years old. I like to stay active and eat healthily.

#### MY EXPERIENCE

I have been a teacher for 16 years and worked at Hoole for 11 years! I have taught Years 4,5 and 6 in my time here. I love most subjects, my favourite being maths, computing and PE.



#### FUN FACT

In my spare time , I play netball for two teams (one of the teams is with Mrs Millington!)

#### FUN FACT

I like to go camping with my family and spend time on the beach..

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# **Birthday Celebrations**



# Key Dates

24th April	YR Lego Club Starts
24th April	YR-1 Fun French Club Starts
24th April	Y1-2 Mindfulness Art Club Starts
24th April	Y1 Boardgames Club Starts
24th April	Y3-4 Sports Skills Club Starts
24th April	Y5-6 Cross-stich Club Starts
24th April	Y5-6 Boys Football Club Starts
24th April	Y5-6 Netball Club Starts
24th April	Y3-6 Choir Club Starts
24th April	Y4 Timestables Rockstars Club Starts
25th April	Y5-6 Zentangle Club Starts
25th April	Y2-6 AmaSing Club Starts
25th April	Y2-6 Gardening Club Starts
25th April	Y5-6 Girls Football Club Starts
25th April	Y1-2 Lego Club Starts
26th April	Y3-4 Arts and Crafts Club Starts
26th April	Y3-6 Streetdance Club Starts
26th April	Y4-5 Newspaper Club Starts

# Key Dates

27th April	House of Hoole Meeting
27th April	Y1-6 Spanish Club Starts
27th April	YR Yoga Club Starts
27th April	Y1-2 Choir Club Starts
27th April	Y3-4 Football Club Starts
28th April	Y4-6 Dodgeball Club Starts
28th April	Y3-6 NW Panthers Netball Club Starts
28th April	Y3-6 Digital Wizards Club Starts
28th April	Y5 Lunchtime Science Club Starts
1st May	Bank Holiday (school closed to pupils)
4th May	Royal Picnic Lunch (sandwiches available only)
5th May	Y1-6 Mandarin Club Starts
8th May	Bank Holiday (school closed to pupils)
15th - 19th May	Eurostar Swimming Week
18th May	American Theme Menu
22nd May	Summer Music Extravaganza 6pm
22nd - 26th May	Shinkansen Swimming Week
25th May	Y6 Trip to Safety Central



# Speak Like A Native Mandarin club

Speak Like A Native are happy to advise that we will be continuing with our Mandarin After School Club at Hoole CE Primary School, from 5th May 2023. Watch your children grow in confidence and ability as they learn to navigate the world of languages through play.

Our clubs welcome all abilities, with no prior knowledge of the language necessary. Cost £6.95 per session. Classes start 5th May 2023 up to half term.

Classes Yr1-6 Friday's 3.25pm

To book your child into our Mandarin clubs, go to <a href="https://www.speaklikeanative.com/find-a-class">www.speaklikeanative.com/find-a-class</a>

Contact us: cheshire@speaklikeanative.com / 01925 982620

