20th January Mewsletter





Message from Headteacher

The spring term is in full swing! We wrote to parents and carers earlier this week to inform you that this term's curriculum newsletters are now available on the school website. You will find the curriculum newsletter for your class in www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/classes. Paper copies are also available on request from the School Office.

The curriculum newsletter is designed to inform you of what your child will be studying over the coming term. We send these so that parents and carers are well informed and able to support learning with discussions at home. I know that many families refer to the newsletters with 96% of respondents in our parent and carer questionnaire strongly agreeing (67%) or agreeing with the statement "The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year."

We thank parents and carers for all you do to support learning in school – from your cooperation with uniform and with homework to ensuring that your child brings their reading folder in every day. It is much appreciated.

Forthcoming Strike Action

You will be aware that the Teachers' National Education Union announced strike action to take place in February and March. As teaching staff at our school belong to several different teaching unions, I am in communication with teachers to establish the impact of the strike action on the school. I will write to parents/carers early next week to confirm arrangements.











We have appointed four junior leaders to support with Amasing Club after school every Tuesday. I am very grateful to Saffy, Mia, Ellarose and Logan for giving up their time to support younger children in the club. They had their first week in the job on Tuesday this week and did such a wonderful job that the teacher, Kelly, came to tell me at the end of the session. We are lucky to have such responsible and thoughtful Year six leaders!

Message from Headteacher continued

Attendance

This week we celebrated our latest award – this time in recognition of our excellent pupil attendance! During the Autumn term, pupil attendance in school was in the top 25% of all FFT primary schools nationally. This is a great achievement and we are so proud to work with families to support our children letting their lights shine every day at school.

E-Safety

We are still hearing lots of conversations from children about how they are enjoying their Christmas presents including tablets and games devices. Please may I urge parents/carers to check that they have the correct safety settings on devices and to monitor children's interactions and the content they are watching online. There is a wealth of information about how to stay safe when using technology on our school website. Please have a look at the E-Safety section under Staying Safe in the Parents and Carers area at www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/page/e-safety. There is lots of information about different apps and programs that may be of interest.

Hometime

I was informed this week of an incident after school last week where a child was hurt by a dog tied to the school railings. You will recall that we have worked with Dogs Trust to educate pupils about approaching dogs they are not familiar with and we will continue to reinforce these important messages. Please may I ask that parents and carers who bring dogs around the school site to take extra care and remain vigilant. If possible, please stay with your pet rather than tying it to the railings.

Any member of staff (including me) at the front of school can help to signpost your child to you to avoid leaving the pet unattended where possible. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Bike Marking Event

PCSO Bartlett will be joining us after school on Thursday 26th January to security mark bikes. Bike Marking is a highly effective, visible deterrent to bike thieves. Thieves know that if they are caught with a registered bike, the owner can be traced and they will be arrested.

PCSO Barlett is able to mark 50 bikes on the day. Thank you to those who have already booked their place. If you haven't already, and would like to secure your place at this event, please complete the survey on the school website or school spider app and bring your child's bike to the PCSO's stand outside the front of school, from 3pm on Thursday 26th January.

Please note that places are limited and you must book your bike to be marked via the survey. Once the 50 places are filled, we cannot take any further bookings and the survey will not be visible.

Athletics



On Wednesday, 17 Year 5 and 6 children went to Ellesmere Port Sports Village to compete against other schools in an indoor athletics competition.

The children took part in many activities such as javelin, standing long jump vertical jump and a number of relay races.

The children all performed really well and we had some great results in the many of the relay races! Well done team!

Birthday Celebrations

Many happy returns

Many happy returns to all our birthday buddies!

We hope you enjoy your birthday book.

XANDER, ALICE
H, OLIVIA P,
LILY R, LOCKIE,
JAMES M,
EVELYN, OLIVIA
T, GEORGE J,
HETTIE W,



Letting Their Light Shine



Year 4's Jack plays for Upton Juniors and claimed a wonderful Player of the Match Trophy for his determination and skill during their last game!

Year 2's Molly plays for the Chester Panthers Netball Team and was awarded a fantastic trophy in recognition of her helpfulness and kindness.

Leon, Rupert, Alex and Monty were awarded an amazing trophy for their efforts in a recent Cross-country event.

We are so proud of you all!

Let's celebrate!

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

Thea C	Elijah H
Alex C	Miles B
Daisy V	Elsie M
James L	Daniel E
Gracie D	Anastasiia A
Lockie D-L	Bran I
Maisy R-P	Rae D



Meet the Teacher

Mrs Walsh Year 3 teacher MFL Subject Leader

ABOUT ME

Hello, I am Mrs Walsh and I teach Year 3. I grew up in Norfolk and I have two children. I love to read and drink coffee.

My Experience

I started teaching at Hoole in 2011. I am the Modern Foreign Languages lead and love to teach French and Spanish.

FUN FACT

I play the flute!

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My favourite flavour ice cream is honeycomb!

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Key Dates

24th January

Voyager Viking Day

25th January

TGV Viking Day

26th January

Bike Marking (3pm)

20th - 26th February

Half-term Break

27th February - 3rd March

Parents Evenings

3rd March

Y3-6 Digital Wizards Club Starts



Football for



Year 3 Girls

AFC Waverton are looking for girls to join our football club at every skill level.

We run weekly fun training sessions at Christleton 3G pitches at 5.30pm-6.30pm every Wednesday.

Learn new skills and play in matches and tournaments against other teams.

Our schools are run by fully qualified and DBS checked FA coaches

Everyone is welcome to join, have fun and make new friends

To find out more please call Stephen Morris-Jones on 07904 953 678 or email stephenjo2002@yahoo.co.uk





