







Message from Headteacher

Thank you for returning your children to school looking so smart after the half term break.

This is a short half term but, as usual, we have got a lot of exciting things planned! Mrs King has arranged lots of interesting activities for Science Week. We have our showcases starting with Year 2 and Year 6. The showcases will be great opportunities for children to share their learning with their families in different ways.

Information Evening

On 20th March, we invite families to attend an information evening at school. In addition to having the opportunity to ask questions of school staff about a range of issues, there will also be representation from various agencies such as the Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) including CAB Energy Advisors who can offer advice about energy bills. Further information is on page x of this newsletter. I hope that you will be able to join us for this event. Free childcare is provided for children who attend with their parents – we hope that this will be extra playtime outside in our grounds (weather permitting!) Even if the weather is wet, childcare will still be provided for all pupils who attend.

Story Shack and Uniform union

News of the success of our school is spreading! We have been asked to provide a report about our Story Shack and Uniform Union for Cheshire West & Chester who are keen to share innovative ideas across the local area. Thank you to families who provided feedback via our recent survey to support us.

Attendance Superstars!

We held our golden ticket draw on Monday this week. Golden tickets are given to children who have attended school every day on time each week. This meant that there was a lot of tickets in the draw box!

Congratulations to the lucky winners, Beau, Theo, Sophia, Holly and Bobby W!

We hope you enjoy your prizes and that your fantastic records of attendance and punctuality continue.



Year 5 have a Special Visit



We were thrilled to welcome our local MP, Mrs Samantha Dixon today, who visited our year 5 classes to talk about the work she does for the Chester community and in Westminster. She reminisced about her early school days in Chester, her university life and how she originally became interested in politics, before finally becoming an MP.

She recently said, "There is nothing more important than ensuring everyone, regardless of need, gets the very best education possible." We couldn't agree more!





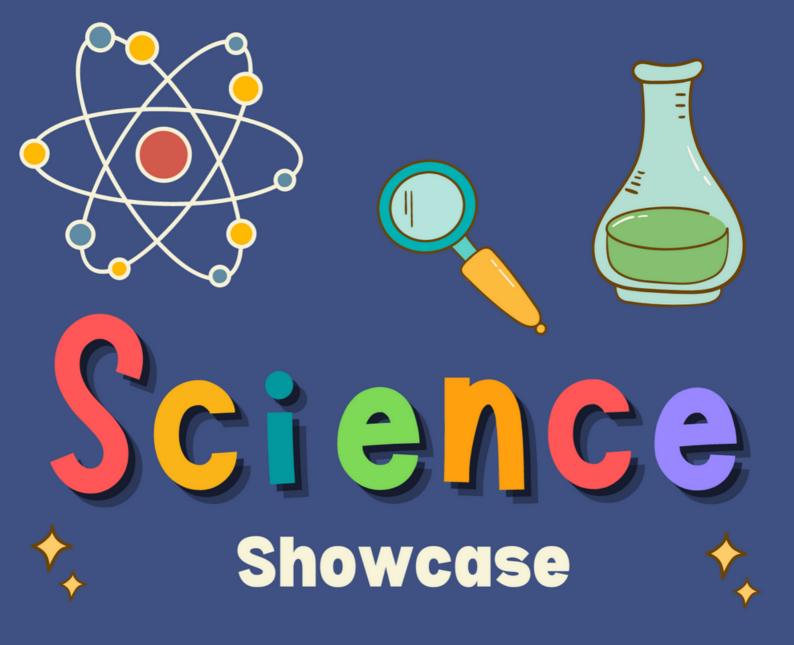
Choir News

Yesterday, six members of our choir attending a sensational singalong with the wonderful Amanda from Live The Beat UK at Belong, Chester!

They wowed The BBC One show film crews with their beautiful voices and delightful drum playing! We cannot thank Amanda enough for helping to promote such a love of music and singing within our choir and enabling us to share this with the members of the Sankofa Songsters!

We can't wait to see the show aired next week - watch out for us on Monday or Tuesday's episode!





12th March 2024 3:40pm until 4:30pm Please come to the hall door.

Everyone is invited to share our super Science Curriculum here at Hoole!

You can see what we are learning but also take part in practical experiments from Reception to Year 6 with our Science Ambassadors leading the way!

All Saints' Coffee Morning



Comic Relief



We are supporting Comic Relief on Friday 15th March, raising funds for families less fortunate than ourselves. Children are invited to wear their own clothes and we are asking families to donate if they can on the School gateway app.

Spring Chickens!



Year 2 had some very special visitors yesterday. A flock of newly hatched hen chicks popped by to cheep hello to the children! Year 2's Myles has been hatching them at home. He also made a fact file to share with all his peers. Special thanks to Myles and Mrs Ennis who kindly made arrangements for their special day out.



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.





Saving for a Rainy Day

We opened our school bank on Thursday this week! If was great to see so many families registering to open accounts. Our specially selected pupil team worked hard to assist everyone with their applications and helped to instill positive money management habits.

If you would like your child to open an account, run in conjunction with the Credit Union, you can apply on the next sessions, from 8.30am on Wednesday 6th March and Thursday 14th March. To comply with money laundering regulations, proof of identity is needed to open accounts. The Hoole School Bank is a great way to encourage children to build positive habits with saving and money management.

Once children have their accounts up and running, the school bank will run every Thursday morning from 8.30-9.30. Pupils will be able to visit the bank in school and pay small amounts of money in to watch their saving grow. As little as 50p a week will soon build up – especially given the competitive 5% interest rate that children will receive!



Sports News

We are delighted to announce that Chester FC Women is again offering school families the opportunity to access free tickets for their next two matches. They had a great response to the previous offer with back-to-back attendance records and lots of families visiting the stadium for the first time.

The team are playing Warrington Town on Sunday 3rd March and Radcliffe Borough on Sunday 10th March, with both games kicking off at 2pm at the Leap 76 Stadium, Bumpers Lane, Chester CH1 4LT.

This offer allows free admission for children and parents/guardians to one or both of these games. To take advantage of the offer, parents/guardians just need to register here: https://form.jotform.com/240283026221342



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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;

applications;

• Helping your child with Maths;

• Advice about Nursery and pre-school provision, including 15 and 30 funded hours

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;
- School Social media platforms;

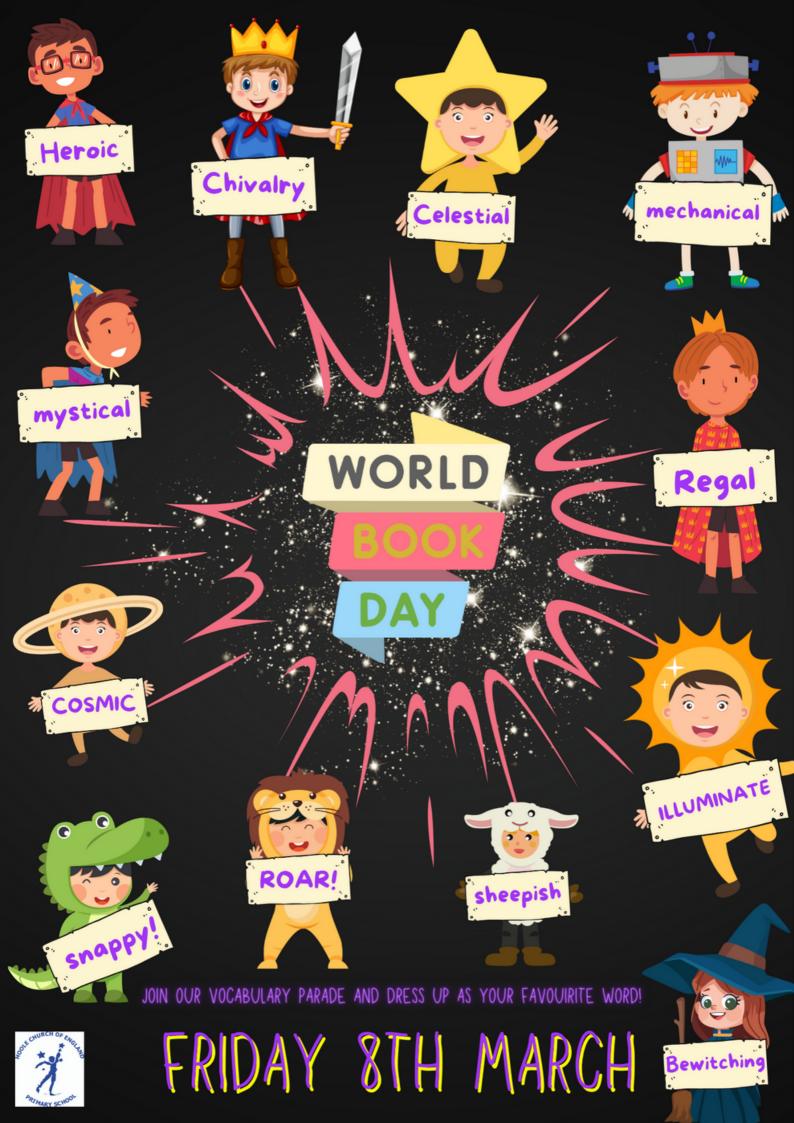
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- Behaviour management, developing routines and supporting children at home:
- Attendance and punctuality;

• Special Educational Needs – Identification and support.

Living Well Service





Letting Their Light Shine

Alex and Daisy both received a medal for their fantastic football skills!

Norah received a magnificent trophy for being Star of the Day at her gymnastics club!

Lyla-May was awarded a bravery certificate after a recent operation!

Sophia received a certificate in recognition of her progression to level 6 gymnastics!

Oscar received a trophy for being the best cheeky monkey at the recent Chester Gang Show!

Luna created this incredible cross-stitch design - what a talent she has!

Verity has progressed to the next stage of karate and received a special certificate!

Jacob has been awarded his green and white belt in his martial arts!

















Let's celebrate!

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

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Casi N	Noah B
Eadie F	Kitty E
Verity B	Finn H
Rosie W	Maya L
Jack B	Oscar H
Lyla-May l	Jessica B
Sam G	Marita H

Birthdays



Key Dates

1st March	Digital Wizard Club starts
5th March	Reception Vision and Hearing Tests
6th March	House of Hoole Meeting 8.30am
6th March	Y2 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)
6th March	School Bank open 8.30am
7th March	Year 4 Roman Trip
8th March	World Book Day
11-15th March	Science Week
12th March	Science Showcase 3.40pm
13th March	Y6 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)
14th March	School Bank open 8.30am
20th March	House of Hoole Meeting 8.30am
20th March	Parent Information Evening 5pm - 6:30pm
27th March	Easter Service (Pupils only)
29th March	Good Friday (School closed)
1st - 14th April	School Holidays (School closed)
24th April	Y5 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)
3rd May	Y3 Showcase at All Saints' Church (1.45pm)



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







Welcoming Space Hoole Community Centre

Westminster Road, Hoole

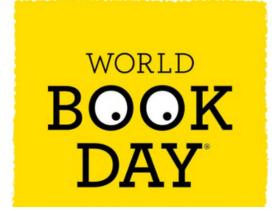
Hobson's Cafe is opening on a Monday evening 5-8pm to offer a warm, friendly space for families with children.

All families are welcome, tea and coffee is provided and a free meal for those who are struggling with the current cost of living crisis and for those families in temporary accommodation. A reduced regular menu is also available.

The cafe has lots of games and puzzles available, so families can have a nice evening in a warm and friendly space.

Starting Monday 4th March 5-8pm open every Monday apart from bank holidays.

for more information please call - 01244 342 741 email - admin@hoolecommunitycentre.org.uk



Cheshire West and Chester Libraries

Visit your local library to exchange your voucher for a £1 book.



It's free to join the Library and there's no late fees for Under 13s. Libraries may not have the books until World Book Day itself.





