

6TH JUNE

2025



Message from Headteacher

Farewell to Mrs Stirk

Mrs Debbie Stirk leaves us today to begin her maternity leave. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her dedication and to send very best wishes for this exciting new chapter for Mrs Stirk and her family.

PCSO Jayne Lockwood

We are looking forward to welcoming our local Police Community Support Officer to school on Monday 9th June. PCSO Lockwood has been invited to school to reinforce our messages to children about making sure they are doing themselves justice and showing the best of themselves when out in the local community.

Please may I urge families to ensure that they know what activities their children are engaging with outside of school and who they are associating with. I have been dismayed to hear reports of antisocial behaviour in our local community as this is against everything we seek to promote at Hoole.

Swimming Pool

The swimming pool is now installed and ready for action next week. I know that there is always a high level of excitement amongst pupils. My message to children is clear that they are expected to behave responsibly in the pool and when getting changed for or after their swimming lessons. Pupils understand that if their behaviour does not meet expectations in the pool or changing areas, they will not be permitted to swim and contact will be made with their parents/carers. Please reinforce with your child the importance of changing sensibly, keeping themselves safe and their body parts private.



Message from Headteacher

Relationships and Sex Education Lessons

We wrote to families on 15th May to inform you that Relationships and Sex Education lessons are scheduled for week beginning 30th June. A copy of this letter is attached to this newsletter as it provides a useful overview of what is being covered in all year groups.

Parents and carers were invited to contact their child's class teacher by 16th June if they wished to review resources in advance of the lessons. If you do wish to and have not yet been in touch, please contact relevant staff as soon as possible.

Year 1 National Test – Phonics Screening Test

Just a reminder to parents/carers of pupils in Year one that all pupils will take the national phonics screening test next week.

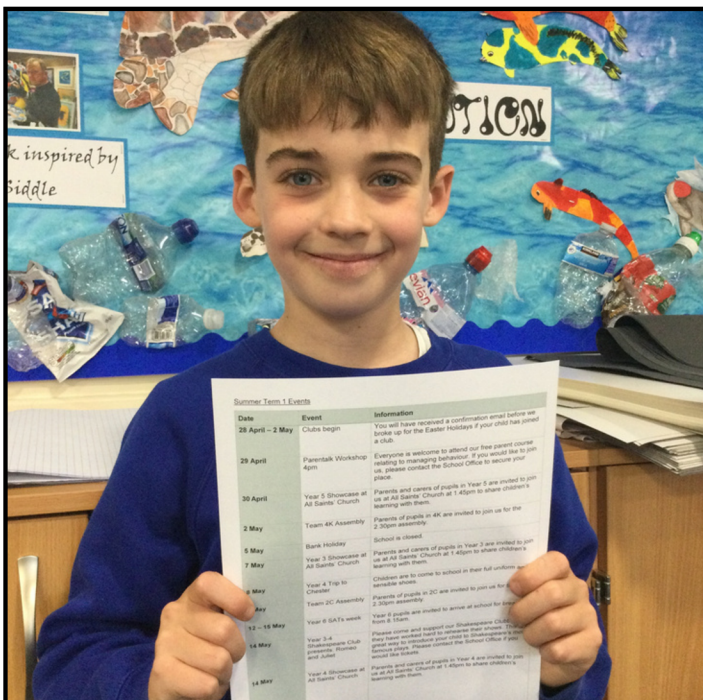
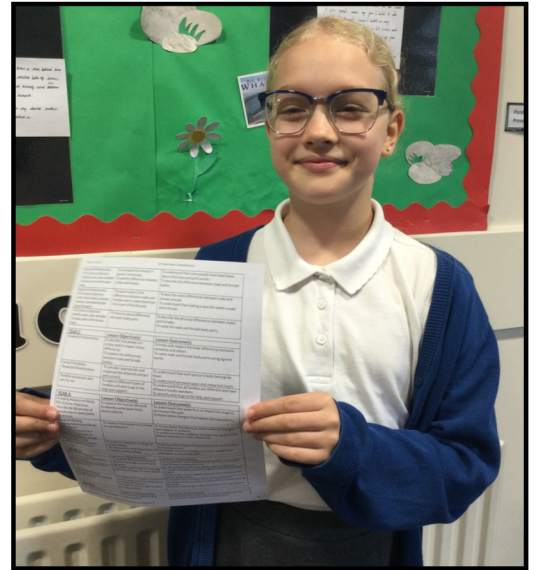
Pupils in Year 2 who took the test last year but did not meet the expected standard will also retake the test next week.

As explained in the recent information session for families, the test is taken on an individual basis with the class teacher. Class teachers will work through children in their classes over the week.

Further information for parents/carers can be found at

www.gov.uk/government/publications/phonics-screening-check-information-for-parents/phonics-screening-check-2024-information-for-parents-text-only-version

Please ensure that your child is present at school every day next week. Thank you for your cooperation.



Summer Events

We have got a very busy half term ahead. To try to help families to remember everything, we have included with this newsletter an overview of activities.

For many of the activities listed, further information will be sent out nearer the time.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please get in touch.



Class Worship

In our class based worship this week, we learnt about Dr Rosemary Coogan, a British astronaut who is training with NASA. She is hoping to take part in a mission to space in the next 5 years. We discussed the protected characteristic of gender and the British Value of individual liberty. We explored other 'firsts' and how we can take courage and inspiration from others to try new things.

We looked at the bible verse: **Joshua 1:9**

'Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous.

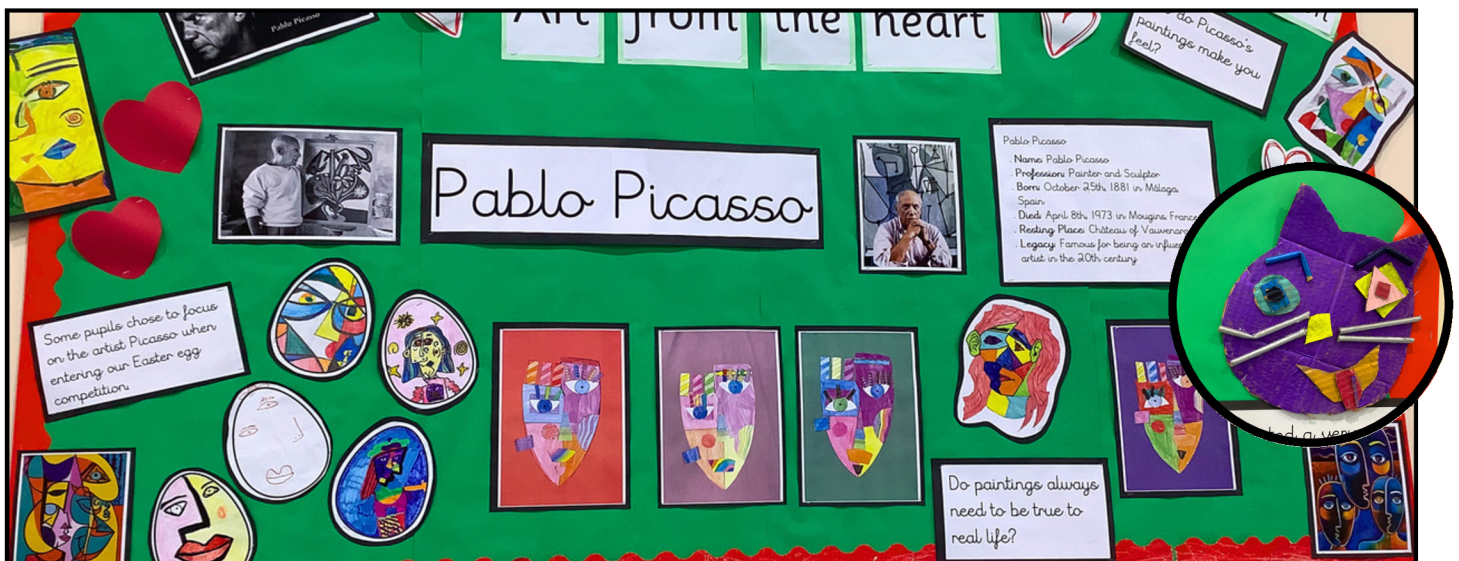
Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.'

Questions you could ask your child:

- When have you done something new?
- How did you feel before you tried it?
- Did how you feel after?
- Why do we admire people who do something first?
- How might faith in God help you try new things?



Art From the Heart



Thank you to everyone that contributed towards the Henry Fraser display. Our new focus artist is Pablo Picasso. We have some beautiful examples of Picasso's artwork on our display in the hall. Hettie from year 2 spent her weekend creating an impressive Picasso cat from cardboard. Mrs Newall and Mrs Robertson had children in their art club contributing stunning work for the display and we've also had examples of Picasso in our Easter egg competition. Please do take a look at the display so that you can appreciate the talent we have in our school.

Exciting news from the Art Ambassadors...do you want to draw like Picasso? Then you are in the right place. Over the course of this final half term, the Art Ambassadors will be running a Picasso workshop on Thursday or Friday lunchtimes. They will be inviting a year group or class at a time to join them for a short activity. More information to follow!

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons will commence next week from, Monday 9th June until Friday 27th June. During this period, we aim that all pupils will have the opportunity for swimming lessons or sessions in groups of up to twelve pupils to increase water confidence.

There is no charge to parents/carers for these sessions.

During every swimming session, there will be a swimming teacher and trained lifeguard on duty. School staff will also support sessions. There is a range of equipment such as armbands available to support children who are learning to swim or building up their water confidence.

We have organised children into groups based on the information provided by parents/carers about their swimming ability. You should have received a letter in your child's book bag yesterday to inform you of which group your child is in, along with a rota for next week.

Equipment Needed

Your child will need to bring the following:

Essential

- Swimming costume
- Towel
- Carrier bag to put wet clothing into after swimming

For religious or cultural reasons, if your child needs to, they may enter the pool wearing leggings, long or short sleeved t-shirts or shorts either over or instead of a swimming costume. This is also an option for older pupils or those who may be body conscious.

Optional or if you have them

- Goggles if they wish to wear them
- A swimming hat if they have one – please note that we have these in school so, if your child does not currently have one, they can borrow one from school.

Recommended but not essential (please don't go out and buy these specially)

- Flip flops, crocs or similar shoes which can be slipped on to walk from the changing areas to the pool
- A dressing gown or long hoodie to wear walking to and from the pool.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE ENSURE THAT ANY CLOTHING YOUR CHILD BRINGS IS CLEARLY MARKED WITH THEIR NAMES IN.

If your child has long hair, please ensure that it is tied back on the days they are swimming. This will speed up getting swimming hats on.

If your child is a confident swimmer, they will participate in life saving and other challenges. Your child may need to bring, for example, clothing to swim in. If this is the case, you will be notified.

If you have any further questions or wish to discuss arrangements further, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Swimming Rota: Week 1

W/B	9th June 2025																			
Week 1	8.45-9.15	9.15-9.45	9.45-10.15	10.15-10.45	Break	10.45-11.00	11.00-11.30	11.30-12pm	12pm-12.30	Break	12.30-1pm	1pm-1.30pm	1.30-2pm	2pm -2.30	2.30-2.45	2.45 -3.15				
Monday	2	1	3	4			8	7	5			10	11	12		13				
Tuesday	18	14	37	38			15	16	17			20	39	42		21				
Wednesday	6	9	41	40			26	27	7			32	33	34		8				
Thursday	19	14	15	23			16	17	24			9	3	22		25				
Friday	6	28	29	30			20	21	4			31	35	36		1				

The Scottish Play



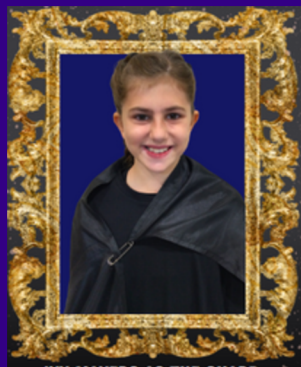
Our amazing Year 5-6 Shakespeare Club raised the roof this week with a multitude of performances to pupils, visitors and families alike.

Macbeth is one of Shakespeare's most famous works and the plot is full of gruesome murders, betrayal, and paranoia. The story of Macbeth is one focused on loyalty, guilt, innocence, and, ultimately, fate.

The children welcomed families on Wednesday and Friday evening, as well a full school show to all year groups! The roof nearly flew off with applause and appreciation with each show! The cast were outstanding, not only in their performances, but in their preparation and their rehearsals and every actor brought their character to life. We cannot sing their praises enough - they really let their incredible lights shine! 10/10!







IVY MAYERS AS THE GUARD
AND THE MURDERER



IVY WALLACE AS DONALBAIN



LEILA HOLMES AS MACBETH'S SERVANT



MAISY ROBERTS-PAGE
AS MACBETH'S SERVANT AND THE MAID



BEN DAVIES AS MACBETH



BEATRIX CROSS AS LADY MACBETH



FRANCESCA HURLEY-EDWARDS
AS THE NARRATOR



MAX BRADBURY AS MALCOLM



THEA CLEGG AS THE WITCH



ALICE-ATEYKA JAWADWALA WHARTON
AS WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

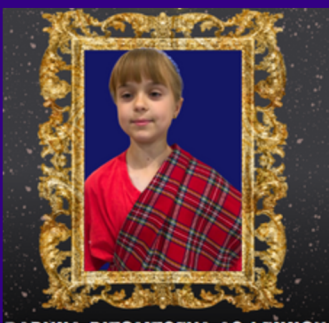


HANIKA CHARAN GOWDA AS THE NARRATOR

Our Fabulous Cast



ELEANOR THOMPSON
AS DUNCAN'S SERVANT AND THE GUARD



DARYNA PITOMTSEVA AS LENNOX



ETHAN RIMMER AS THE MURDERER



NIALL BETTERIDGE AS BANQUO



AMELIE CHEUNG AS THE WITCH



DAISY RIMMER AS THE WITCH



ALICE ROBERTS-PAGE AS MACDUFF



SAM GRINDLE AS THE FLEANCE



EVELYN TOPHAM AS ANGUS



OLIVIA LUNN AS DUNCAN
AND THE DOCTOR



ELIN HOBSON AS ROSS



HOOLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
Presents



THE HISTORY WORKSHOP!

WEDNESDAY
18TH JUNE
3.45PM - 5PM
IN THE SCHOOL
HALL

Join us to journey
into hidden chapters
and discover secrets
of the past!



Reception will be presenting

Transport

Year 6 will be
presenting

**World
War 2**

Year 1 will be
presenting

Toys

Year 3 will be
presenting

**Ancient
Egypt**

Year 2 will be
presenting

**The Great Fire
of London**

Year 5 will be
presenting

**The
Mayans
and The
Vikings**

Year 4 will be
presenting

**The
Romans**



Parents' Evenings

Our Summer Term Parent's Evenings will take place before we break up for the summer holidays.

Parents Evening slots can be booked through our website, www.hooleceprimary.co.uk or the School Spider App. Parents and Carers will need to login to the school website or the app to be able to book a slot. If you have forgotten your login details, please click on the "forgotten password" link to reset it.

The slots are available on a first come first served basis. We emailed step-by-step instructions of how to book a slot to all parents and carers earlier this week.

If you would prefer a telephone consultation at the time you have booked, please make contact with the School Office via email to admin@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk, so we can check contact details and update records where needed. Unless we hear from families, we will assume that parents or carers are attending in person.

Year group	Class teacher	Date of Parents' Evenings
Reception	Mrs Walsh – Team RW	Tuesday 15th July Thursday 17th July
	Miss McDonald – Team RM	Tuesday 15th July Thursday 17th July
Year 1	Mrs Jeffs – Team 1J	Monday 14th July Tuesday 15th July
	Miss Hildebrandt – Team 1H	Monday 14th July Tuesday 15th July
Year 2	Miss Carter – Team 2C	Monday 14th July Wednesday 16th July
	Mrs Inns & Mrs Elston – Team 2EI	Monday 14th July Thursday 17th July
Year 3	Mrs Jones and Mrs Stirk – Team 3SJ	Tuesday 15th July Wednesday 16th July
	Mr Underhill – Team 3U	Monday 14th July Tuesday 15th July
Year 4	Mrs King – Team 4K	Monday 14th July Tuesday 15th July
	Miss Cotgreave – Team 4C	Tuesday 15th July Wednesday 16th July
Year 5	Mrs Salisbury – Team 5S	Tuesday 15th July Wednesday 16th July
	Miss Rennocks – Team 5R	Tuesday 15th July Wednesday 16th July
Year 6	Mrs Millington – Team 6M	Monday 14th July Tuesday 15th July
	Miss Buckley – Team 6B	Monday 14th July Tuesday 15th July

Clubs During Parents' Evenings

The following clubs will be cancelled that week	Day/Date	The following clubs will still go ahead	Day/Date
R-6 Choir	Monday 14 th July	4-5 Passion For Learning	Tuesday 15 th July
Family Running Club	Monday 14 th July	1-6 Street Dance	Wednesday 16 th July
1-2 Lego	Monday 14 th July	3-4 Arts & Crafts	Wednesday 16 th July
5-6 Football	Monday 14 th July	5-6 Girls' Football	Wednesday 16 th July
5-6 Netball	Monday 14 th July	3-4 Dance	Thursday 17 th July
R-1 Football & Outdoor Sports	Tuesday 15 th July	5-6 Imaginative Art	Thursday 17 th July
5-6 Zentangle	Tuesday 15 th July	R Lego	Thursday 17 th July
3-4 Lego	Tuesday 15 th July	Y2 Spanish & Stories	Friday 18 th July
3-4 Netball	Tuesday 15 th July		
2-6 Beacons	Wednesday 16 th July		
3-4 Football	Thursday 17 th July		
4-6 Dodgeball	Friday 18 th July		

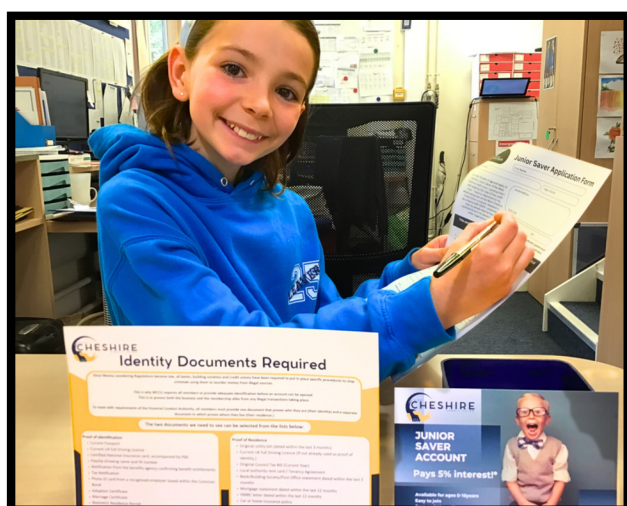
Upton High School Visit



Our Year 5 pupils welcomed Mr Oakley and some former pupils of ours from Upton High School yesterday. Pippa, Najeel and Henry told us all about their adventures in high school and what to expect. It was wonderful to see them all thriving. Thank you Upton High for this enjoyable and informative visit.



School Bank Day Change



Please note the **School Bank will open on Wednesday mornings at 8.30am** rather than on a Thursday for deposits this term.

If you would like your child to open an account, run in conjunction with the Credit Union, you can collect an application form from the School Office.

The Hoole School Bank is a great way to encourage children to build positive habits with saving and money management. As little as 50p a week will soon build up – especially given the competitive 5% interest rate!

Timetables

Year Group	Class	PE Days	Information	Forest School Days	Information
R	RW	Friday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
	RM	Friday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
1	1H	Wednesday & Thursday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
	1J	Wednesday & Thursday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
2	2EI	Monday & Thursday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
	2C	Monday & Thursday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
3	3U	Tuesday & Wednesday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
	3SJ	Tuesday & Wednesday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
4	4K	Tuesday & Friday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
	4C	Tuesday & Friday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
5	5R	Tuesday & Thursday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
	5S	Tuesday & Thursday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	n/a	n/a
6	6B	Monday & Friday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	Wednesday's	Wear clothes suitable for getting muddy plus school jumper/cardigan. Bring change of footwear.
	6M	Monday & Friday	Wear PE Kit, plus school jumper/cardigan to school.	Wednesday's	Wear clothes suitable for getting muddy plus school jumper/cardigan. Bring change of footwear.

PE Lessons

Children should come to school in PE kit on the days they have PE lessons. Please see the timetable above.

Thank you for supporting us in ensuring that your child's school uniform, PE kit and school shoes are in line with our school uniform code.

Our PE kit is as follows:

- Indoor: plain white t-shirt, black/navy shorts, pumps or trainers.
- Outdoor: plain tracksuits (navy/royal blue or black). No hoods.
- School Branded Jumper or Cardigan

Forest School

Children should come to school in suitable outdoor clothes on the days they have Forest School sessions. Please see the timetable above.

Suitable outdoor clothes include:

- Long trousers such as leggings, jogging bottoms or waterproof trousers etc.
- School Branded Jumper or Cardigan
- Waterproof coat (not just "showerproof")
- Wellies/Outdoor shoes

Sports Fortnight



Our Sports Fortnight will take place between Monday 30th June to Friday 11th July. We will be promoting healthy lifestyles, and the importance of exercise and healthy food choices. There will be a number of activities taking place during the event, including our year group Sports Days. These will take place on the following days (weather permitting):

EYFS- Tuesday 8th July (1.45PM)
Year 1- Monday 7th July (1.45PM)
Year 2- Tuesday 1st July (1.45PM)
Year 3- Thursday 10th July (9.30AM)
Year 4- Friday 11th July (1.45PM)
Year 5- Thursday 10th July (1.45PM)
Year 6- Wednesday 2nd July (9.30AM)

Parents and carers are welcome to join us on their children's Sports Days and cheer along.

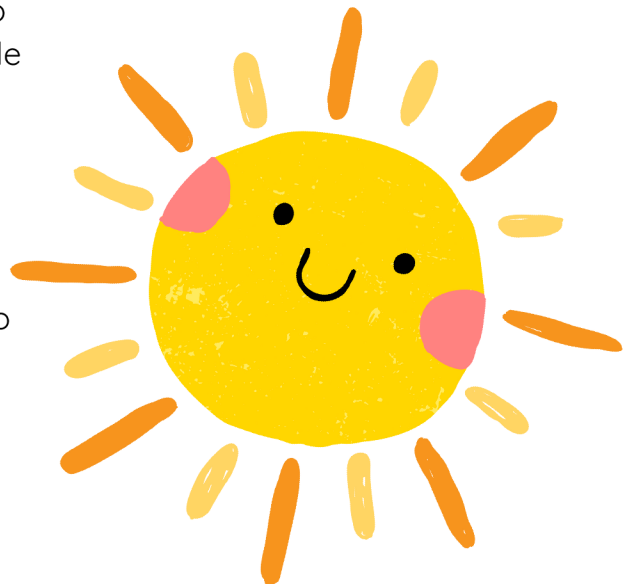
Please ensure that all children come to school every day with a water bottle, cap and wearing sun cream (weather dependent).

Be Summer Safe

Please can families ensure that they apply sunscreen to children prior to arriving at school and provide a suitable sun hat on very sunny days.

Children should also have a water bottle with fresh water each day. Also, if your child suffers from hay fever, please drop off suitable antihistamine medication and the School Office Team will be happy to administer it when your child requires it, with your written consent.

Please fill an Administering Medicine consent form (available from the school website, www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/forms and return to the School Office along with the medicine.



Holidays during term time: What the new rules mean for me



From September 2024, the new National Framework for issuing penalty notices will apply.



As a school, we fully appreciate the financial difficulties that some parents face when booking holidays, particularly during school holidays.

However, school is duty bound to comply with the regulations set by the local authority and national protocols.

A Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) is a fine which may be issued for taking children out of school during term time for the purpose of leisure or recreation.



Second Offence

(Within 3 years of the first offence)

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second Penalty Notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first notice. The second Penalty Notice will be charge at:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days
(Unpaid Penalty Notices after 28 days may result in a prosecution)

Example: We are a family of 2 children and 2 parents.

Child 1	child 2	Parent 1	Parent 2	
£160	£160	£320	£320	= £640

The 10 school week period may span different terms or school years (e.g. 2 sessions of unauthorised absence in the Summer Term and a further 8 within the Autumn Term).

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for a Term Time Holiday or Irregular School Attendance, the Penalty Notice will be charged at:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.
Reduced to £80 per parents, per child if paid within 21 days

Example: I'm a single parent of 2 children and we want to go on holiday for a week in term time.

Your holiday will not be authorised and you should speak to school before booking because your child will miss 5 school days, you will be issued a penalty notice fine.

Child 1	child 2	Parent
£160	£160	£320



The initial fine is £320 but if paid within 21 days it will be reduced to £160

Third Offence

(Within 3 years of the First Offence)

The third time that an offence is committed for either a term time holiday and/or irregular attendance, a Penalty Notice will not be issued. The case may be proceeded straight to prosecution/court.

The 3 year period can cover primary and secondary school periods eg: first offence in year 5 of primary and 2nd offence in year 7.



For more information:

www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/early-years-and-childcare/education-welfare-service/fixed-penalty-notices/taking-children-on-holiday-during-term-time



LETTING THEIR

LIGHT SHINE!

Elliot was awarded Footballer of the Week at PK sports club.

Eva, Maisy, Elise, Amelie, and Alice participated in the 1 mile Chester Fun Run!

Oliver W was Drama Star of the Week for remembering all his lines for his upcoming drama performance.

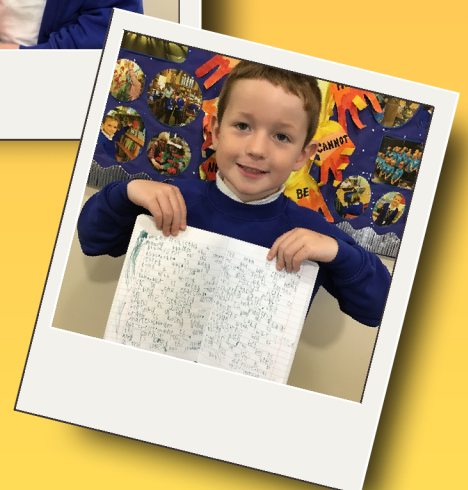
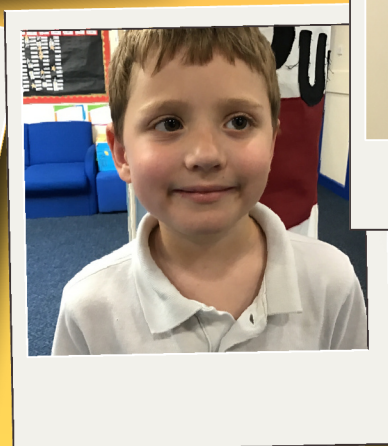
Oliver L was awarded two certificates for his mixed martial arts - not only was he Student of the month, but he came second place in the Cheshire In-house Championships!

George was awarded a Chief Scout Bronze Award at Beavers!

Sophie won the Best Dance Award Trophy at Silhouettes!

Ralph won a 1st Kick Football medal.

Oscar wrote a wonderful holiday diary all about his adventures!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Many happy returns
to all our
birthday buddies!

We hope you enjoy
your birthday book!



Elmina, Daisy,
Ranim, Molly,
Daryna,
Oscar, Ivy,
Nathan and
Logan

Curriculum Showcase

CURRICULUM SHOWCASE

at All Saints' Church

Parents and carers are invited to our spectacular year group
Showcases at All Saints' Church (Hoole Road) *

RECEPTION 3rd July 2.15pm
(* in school)

YEAR 1 2nd July 1.45pm

YEAR 2 19th March 1.45pm

YEAR 3 7th May 1.45pm

YEAR 4 14th May 1.45pm

YEAR 5 30th April 1.45pm

YEAR 6 18th June 1.45pm

Join us to discover what
we've been learning and
share in a unique
opportunity to explore the
diverse and exciting
projects we have been
working on this year!

Times Tables Rockstar Champions

The exciting Times Table Rockstars Competition continues!

This week's winners are:



Next Week's Menu

WEEK 1

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Breaded Chicken/Quorn Goujons, Potato Wedges and Seasonal Vegetables	Mac and cheese served with Garlic Bread and Seasonal Vegetables	Roast Gammon/Quorn with Roast/Mashed Potatoes, Gravy and Seasonal Vegetables	Chicken/Quorn Tikka Masala Curry with Rice, Naan Bread and Seasonal Vegetables or Hot Cheese & Ham Wrap with cucumber and carrot sticks	Cheese and Tomato Pizza served with Chips and Peas or Baked Beans
Jacket Potato with either Tuna, Cheese or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with either Tuna, Cheese or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with either Tuna, Cheese or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with either Tuna, Cheese or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with either Tuna, Cheese or Baked Beans
Tuna, Ham or Cheese Sandwich	Tuna, Ham or Cheese Sandwich	Tuna, Ham or Cheese Sandwich	Tuna, Ham or Cheese Sandwich	Tuna or Cheese Sandwich
Sticky Toffee pudding with custard	Chocolate Mudslider	Trio of Melon	Strawberry Ice Cream Cake	Shortbread Finger

Key Dates

9th June	Swimming lessons begin
13th June	Team 6M Assembly 2.30pm
16th June	Team RM Pizza Trip
17th June	Year 3 Trip
18th June	Year 6 Showcase at All Saints' Church
20th June	Team 5S Assembly 2.30pm
23rd June	Team RW Pizza Trip
24th June	Reception & Year 6 Height and Weight Check
27th June	Team 4C Assembly 2.30pm
30th June	AmaSing Show at Chester Cathedral
1st July	Year 2 Sports Day (PM)
2nd July	Year 6 Sports Day (AM)
2nd July	Year 1 Showcase at All Saints' Church
3rd July	Reception Classes Showcase at School
4th July	Class Photographs
4th July	Team 3U Assembly 2.30pm
7th July	Year 1 Sports Day (PM)
7th July	Year 6 Production 5pm

Key Dates

8th July	Reception Sports Day (PM)
9th July	Year 2 Graduation Service At All Saints' Church
9th July	Year 6 Production 5pm
10th July	Year 3 Sports Day (AM)
10th July	Year 5 Sports Day (PM)
11th July	Year 4 Brass Band Concert (AM)
11th July	Year 4 Sports Day (PM)
14th July	Team 1J Parents' Evening
14th July	Team 1H Parents' Evening
14th July	Team 2EI Parents' Evening
14th July	Team 3U Parents' Evening
14th July	Team 4K Parents' Evening
14th July	Team 6B Parents' Evening
14th July	Team 6M Parents' Evening
15th July	Team RW Parents' Evening
15th July	Team RM Parents' Evening
15th July	Team 1J Parents' Evening
15th July	Team 1H Parents' Evening

SUMMER FESTIVAL

SUNDAY
20TH JULY

More details to follow

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all saints hoole

To secure your place please
book via our website at
bishopschester.co.uk
or scan the QR code



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SCAN ME



YEAR 5 OPEN MORNING

Wednesday 2nd & 9th July 9.30-11am

LOOKING FOR A NEW TEAM?

HELBY U10'S



Helsby U10's are looking for a midfielder/defender for the coming 25-26 season. If you have experience of playing in midfield or defence, are currently in Y4 and would like to join a Chester based division 2 team then please contact us for a trial.

U10S FOR 25-26 SEASON | CONTACT | 07598 230039



LOOKING FOR A NEW TEAM?

HELBY U10'S



Helsby U10's are looking for a Goalkeeper for the coming 25-26 season. If you have experience of playing in goal, are currently in Y4 (or are a high level Y3 player) and would like to join a Chester based division 2 team then please contact us for a trial.

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