



13TH JUNE

2025



Message from Headteacher

Shakespeare Club

Last week, the Year 5 & 6 Shakespeare Club were in action. They performed Macbeth to packed houses on Wednesday and Friday evenings. I was astounded by their confidence in presenting a lengthy play with such finesse. Within the script, there was a great deal of the actual words Shakespeare wrote woven in. The children coped with this with ease and really rose to the challenge, performing with maturity beyond their years.

Before half term, the Year 3 & 4 pupils from Shakespeare Club presented their version of Romeo and Juliet. It was wonderful to see such young children performing tricky Shakespearean language with such stage presence.

On a personal note, I want to thank every child who attended Shakespeare Clubs this year. They were fantastic to work with – so enthusiastic and determined that the plays would be successful. I am so proud and genuinely humbled by the effort they invested into learning their lines. We talk in our school about how hard work, combined with perseverance, courage and enthusiasm goes a long way. This is the perfect example of this and an experience I hope the children will draw on in times of anxiety, fear or self-doubt. They were all absolutely tremendous!

Over recent years, children have enjoyed performances of Hamlet, Romeo & Juliet, Much Ado About Nothing and Macbeth all presented by Shakespeare Club. We also welcomed a visiting theatre group who performed The Tempest for our school family.

Our recent SIAMs report highlighted the commitment of our school to our vision “Let your light shine.” Shakespeare Club is one of our strategies for supporting children to approach the next phase of their education with confidence, so they can let their lights shine brightly.

When pupils leave us and progress to secondary school, they will encounter Shakespeare’s works at some point, and this can be daunting given the difficult language and storylines in the plays. Pupils at Hoole are already familiar with many of Shakespeare’s plays before they leave us at the end of Year six. We hope that this gives them the confidence to approach lessons with confidence and motivation to show what they know so they can shine like little laser beams.

Message from Headteacher

Reception 2025

On Thursday evening, we welcomed parents and carers of children joining us in Reception in September. It was fantastic to see the hall filled with families and to meet some of our new pupils. Our school is certainly becoming more and more popular. Despite the falling birth rate locally, we are full in Reception in September. Thank you for your support for our school in the local community.

Swimming

Swimming sessions have gone very well this week with pupils from Reception to Year 6 enjoying lessons. Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring that children come to school prepared for their lessons and for reinforcing messages that poor behaviour choices in the pool or in changing areas will absolutely not be tolerated. Please continue to discuss this with your child over the remaining two weeks of our pool hire, particularly messages about getting changed sensibly and respecting themselves by keeping their body parts private.

PCSO Jayne Lockwood

We welcomed PCSO Jayne Lockwood into school on Monday. Next week, on Thursday 19th June, pupils in Key Stage 2 will enjoy a further visit from representatives of Cheshire Police. Children will have the opportunity to chat with officers and access the Safety Van, which supports learning about a range of issues, including open water safety.

Community Clothing Cabin

Our Community Clothing Cabin is the blue building located next to the school bike sheds at the front of school, nearest the main playground and the staff car park.

The cabin contains pre-loved clothing and footwear for children of all ages. All items are clean and in good condition. There is a wide selection of ready to wear clothing and footwear in a range of sizes. There is no charge for any items.

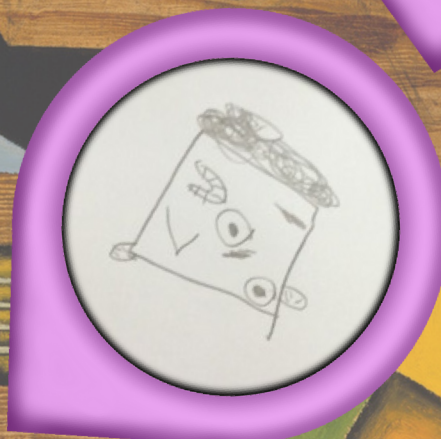
The Community Clothing Cabin is open every school day from 8am to 4.30pm.

We sustain our Community Clothing Cabin by collecting pre-loved items of clothing or footwear from our families so that this facility remains well-stocked. Providing this service also enables us to promote a positive message about sustainability, recycling and reusing items to our school family.

**KIT YOUR CHILD OUT FOR THE
SUMMER SEASON FOR FREE WITH A
TRIP TO THE CHILDREN'S
COMMUNITY CLOTHING CABIN!**



Art Ambassador News



This week the Art Ambassadors and Mrs Elston hosted a 'Picasso workshop' at lunchtimes for the year one pupils. This helped them to build upon previous skills they have learnt in art. The children's ideas were brilliant and they listened beautifully during the demonstration. Well done year one artists!

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons have begun successfully this week and the children have already made a significant improvement in their water confidence.

During every swimming session, there is a swimming teacher and trained lifeguard on duty. School staff 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 rota for next week in your child's book bag and via email.

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 2

W/B	16th June 2025													
Week 2	8.45-9.15	9.15-9.45	9.45-10.15	10.15-10.45	10.45-11.00	11.00-11.30	11.30-12pm	12pm-12.30	12.30-1pm	1pm-1.30pm	1.30-2pm	2pm-2.30	2.30-2.45	2.45-3.15
					Break				Break				Break	
Monday	3	1	2	10		12	5	13		4	11	7		8
Tuesday	18	39	37	38		9	6	19		15	16	17		1
Wednesday	3	40	41	42		35	32	6		36	33	34		14
Thursday	25	20	43	23		21	22	24		14	15	29		30
Friday	4	28	31	21		26	27	7		22	23	20		43



Year two were out exploring Chester City Centre this week! They have been learning about maps and geographical features and were experts at spotting them along the route. In addition to this, they were looking for buildings designed by the architect John Douglas. They created some beautiful sketches of the buildings and noticed some really interesting details.

The children enjoyed a well-earned picnic in the amphitheatre where they watched a Roman soldier demonstrating his skills. Well done year two, we are super proud of you all.





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

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.

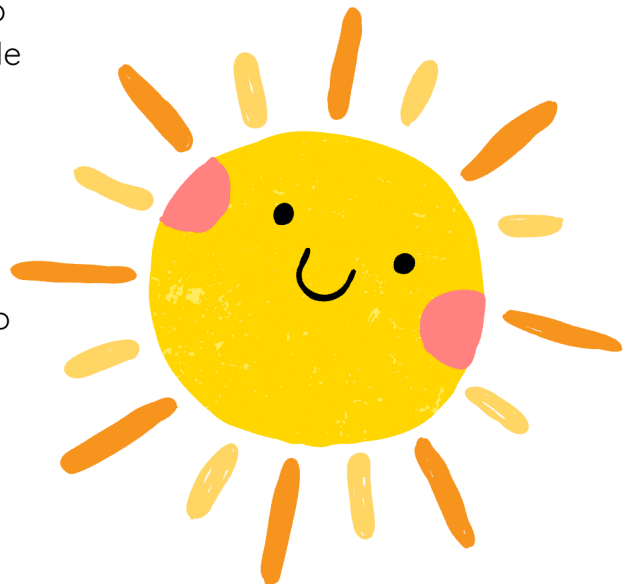
Please ensure that all children come to school every day with a water bottle, cap and wearing sun cream (weather dependent).

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





Sports News



Hoole Lionesses

After gaining an impressive finish to the Year 5/6 Girls' Football League, the team progressed to the Finals which took place on Thursday in Blacon. They secured a place in the semi finals by winning all their group games playing some lovely football. It was a close semi final against Dee Point Primary School with the girls narrowly being beaten 2-0 despite some super skills, tackling and goal keeping.

There was soon plenty to cheer about though, when they beat Belgrave Primary School 2-0 in a 3rd/4th place playoff, each girl receiving a fine medal to complete the season in style.



I am so proud of the girls' performance and has really enjoyed coaching and watching them all progress this year.



hello!

Non-uniform Day

Non-uniform Day Friday 18th July

To support the Autumn Fair in September, we are inviting pupils to come to school wearing their own clothes on Friday 18th July in return for a donation to a raffle.

We would warmly welcome donations such as unused toiletries, boxes of chocolate/confectionery or wine. Donations can be brought to the school office on the day



LETTING THEIR

LIGHT SHINE!

Alex plays for Elton FC and he was awarded three football trophies - one for the Managers Player, one for the Players Player and his end of season trophy!

Arianwen came first place in a Welsh Cycling Competition!

Matthew was presented with a shield for the end of season at Helsby FC!

Rory wrote and illustrated his own book!

Charlotte created this incredible giraffe painting!

Sophia passed her grade 4 Gymnastics!



We Have a Winner!



Well done to Caleb in Team RM - June's winner of the prize draw for all children with a school bank account!

To be in with a chance of winning next month, pop into school to collect a Cheshire Credit Union Application Form to open an account.



A Passion For Learning

Our Passion For Learning Club attending a Careers Carnival earlier this week! Over thirty local businesses and professionals showcased the work they do with exciting activities and experiences. One of our lovely parents was working at the event and she observed how well our children behaved:

"I work for F Parkinson (a main contractor currently carrying out building work for Cheshire-west and Chester Council). I am the Social Value Manager and today, myself and our Contracts Manager were at the careers carnival. Hoole school children were extremely well mannered and a pleasure to have around our work table."

A great big thank you to Passion For Learning for organising this valuable experience and well done to all the children who participated.



Let's celebrate!

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

Connor B-E

Connie C

Suryansh

Sophie C

Zoe C

Johnny W

Amelie C

Finlay P

Hettie J

Maya R

Isabella B

Oliver S

Clara L

Bobby L

Imogen W

Emily S

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Many happy returns
to all our
birthday buddies!

We hope you enjoy
your birthday book!



George, Isla,
Bran, William,
Jac, Albie-
Paul, Oliver,
Marina, Rudi
and Phoebe!

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 2				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beef/Veggie Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges, Seasonal Vegetables or Baked Beans	Cheese and Tomato Pasta Garlic Bread and Seasonal Vegetables	Beef/Quorn Cottage Pie with Seasonal Vegetables	Chicken/Quorn Korma, Rice and Seasonal Vegetables or Cheese and Tomato Pizza slice with carrot and cucumber slices	Battered Fish (MSC) or Vegetable Bake 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
Apple Pie & Custard	Iced Wacky Chocolate Cake	Fresh Melon Wedge	Fruit Mousse	Vanilla Biscuit

Key Dates

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
8th July	Reception Sports Day (PM)
9th July	Year 2 Graduation Service At All Saints' Church

Key Dates

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
15th July	Team 2C Parents' Evening
15th July	Team 3U Parents' Evening



HOOLE

ALLOTMENTS OPEN DAY

WHEN

**Sunday 13th July 2025
11:00am - 3:00pm**

WHERE

**Junction of Panton Road &
Canadian Avenue**

Sat Nav: CH2 3HL

What 3 Words:

<https://w3w.co/bugs.solo.giving>

No on site parking

HOW MUCH

£3.00 entry

Children under 16 FREE

This is a cash only event

**All Proceeds to The Hospice of the
Good Shepherd &**

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

**SCARECROW
COMPETITION**

**CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING CHESTER ZOO**

**ALLOTMENT TRAIL &
QUIZ**

REFRESHMENT TENT

BBQ AND BAR

ICE CREAM VAN

PLANTS & PRODUCE

JAMS & PRESERVES

RAFFLE & TOMBOLA

"THE KNOT MAN"

FACE PAINTING & MORE

**HOOLE ALLOTMENTS &
GARDENERS ASSOCIATION (HAGA)**



Cheshire Horse Sanctuary **OPEN DAY**

Bank Holiday
Monday 25th August 2025

**LOCAL
STALLS**



FOOD & DRINK



ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS



FUN FAIR



**FUN DOG
SHOW**



FREE PARKING



RAFFLE

The Six Acres, Picton Gorse Lane, Chester, CH2 4HA

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