

Message from Headteacher

Autumn Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who helped to make the Autumn Fair such a great success. I am delighted to report that we raised over two thousand pounds, every penny of which will be spent to enrich our school for our pupils.

I was going to write to all of the volunteers who came to help set up, man stalls and clear up but there was so many of you, I am afraid of missing someone out!

I would like to thank everyone who gave up their time, PTA representatives, parent/carers volunteers, staff, friends from local community organisations, PCSO Lockwood and all of the parent/carer volunteers who came to support the Autumn Fair. Your time, energy and commitment to our school is very much appreciated. You helped to ensure that the Fair ran smoothly and was an enjoyable event for all who came.

It was especially great to welcome back to school many of the pupils from last year's Year six who joined us for the Fair.

The PTA is in process of organising the PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM). It would be great to welcome as many families as possible to this. During this meeting, plans for events for the remainder of this school year will be finalised.

Look out for the date for the PTA AGM coming soon.

Academy Conversion

Chester Diocese Learning Trust officially came into existence on 1st October 2025 with Davenham Primary School, Capenhurst Primary School, Lostock Gralam Primary School and St Andrews Primary School all converting.

We are still heading towards a conversion date of 1st November and this is looking promising. I will keep you posted if there is any change to this.

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Parent Talk

I would like to draw your attention the series of Parent Talk sessions we have arranged in school. Increasingly, where families express concern about social, emotional or behavioural issues which they are worried about, external agencies will explore what actions and approaches have already been trialled within the family before accepting referrals or considering offering support.

Parent Talk is an informal group where parents and carers can discuss and explore issues they have faced. This is absolutely non-threatening. Sessions are designed around a theme which members of the group can share experiences and strategies that they have used. Participants are not talked at or lectured. It is an opportunity to reflect and consider alternative approaches or underlying issues which may drive behaviour which presents as challenging.

Being a parent/carer does not come with a handbook. Parent Talk is a forum in which you can collaborate with others who may be able to help and support in different, more comfortable ways.

Future sessions are as follows:

Tuesday 14th October - The busyness of family life
Tuesday 25th November - Understanding children's 'love languages'
Tuesday 27th January - Communication
Tuesday 24th March - Setting boundaries
Tuesday 12th May - Preparing children for the outside world
Tuesday 7th July - The importance of family time.

I would urge you to sign up for these short sessions (all run from 4-5pm). To get the most out of Parent Talk, you would attend every session. However, if you are unable to attend every session, you are welcome to select those you feel are most helpful. Speak to school if you would like further information about the content of individual sessions.

Reception Phonics Workshop

Reception staff welcomed parents/carers for the Phonics workshop this week. Thanks to all who came to learn about the Little Wandle phonics programme we use in school.

The Little Wandle programme is specifically designed to support children in learning sounds and building reading skills.

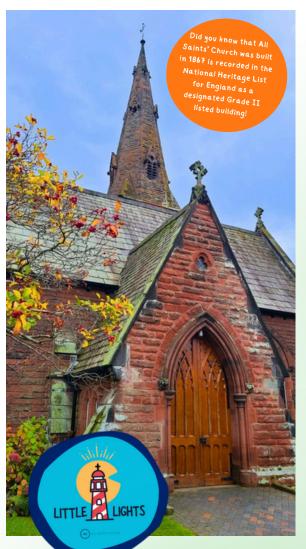
Children at our school do make a flying start with phonics and reading. This was highlighted in our Ofsted report – the Ofsted inspector was astounded by the confidence, engagement and proficiency our pupils showed in Reception and Key Stage 1 when they read.

We strive to work in partnership with families to ensure that all children build strong foundations to enjoy the wider curriculum. If you have any questions about any aspect of school life, please ask your child's teacher.





All Saints' Church



One of our greatest blessings is the strength of the flourishing relationship between All Saints' Church and our school family.

All Saints' is a lively and growing Chester church of all ages, serving the whole community of Hoole. Strong relationships between church leaders, parishioners and school staff mean that opportunities to collaborate and grow together are maximised.

In addition to weekly worship with Gemma Gaudion (Children & Families Outreach Worker) and Sam Johnson (Youth Worker) here at school, we have welcomed church leaders in to support us in events such as our annual Remembrance Service in school.

We enjoy our Harvest and Christmas Services at the church, along with our Year 6 Leavers' Services, our Year 2 Graduation Services and Curriculum Showcases.

Little Lights is the All Saints' Baby and Toddler group for those aged 0 to 3 years old, and their parents or carers. This group meets in the church centre on a Monday morning (during term time) from 10am–11.30am.

Their aim is to provide a friendly space for parents (and carers) to meet and get to know others in the neighbourhood who are at a similar stage in their lives. It can be reassuring to know that others are experiencing similar joys and challenges of having a young family. At each session there will be time to chat, enjoy a cuppa and a biscuit and sing some songs and nursery rhymes. Little lights also enjoy an annual trip to our Forest School.

If you would like to pop along to a Little Lights session, please contact Julie Tynegate by emailing her at julie.tynegate@allsaints.church.







Sam and Gemma also run our Year 2-6 Beacons Club. The Beacons enjoy fun songs, exciting games and get crafty every Wednesday!

We still have a few places available so if your child would like to join the Beacons Club, please speak to the School Office.



Road Safety Competition



WINNERS OF OUR SEPTEMBER COMPETITION ON ENGINE IDLING:

THEO, NIALL, MARIE-CLAIRE, RUBY, AADHIRA AND HETTIE

WELL DONE EVERYONE!

Ambitions and Aspirations



"When I'm older, I would like to join the police force. I really like helping people and I want to catch thieves."

Kostia, Year 4

"I would like to be a professional footballer when I'm older and play for Man United as they're my favourite team. I practice hard at Upton Juniors every week."

Honey, Year 4





Hoole Choir in the Community

On Saturday, members of our choir were invited by The High Sheriff of Chester to perform at Chester Racecourse for her charity event!

The High Sherriff walked around the track, completing 26 miles to raise money for Cheshire Community Foundation alongside lots of other families. We sang with members of the Sankofa Songsters to encourage the walkers as they completed the walk.

We were presented with a certificate for our performance. The High Sheriff enjoyed our singing, sang along and chatted to our incredible pupils. A special thank you to our children who sang on a Saturday morning with the chilly Autumn breeze!



Friday Assembly

Parents and carers are invited to Friday Assembly when their child's class is presenting. Please arrive at 2.25pm for a 2.30pm start. If you are able to join us, please refrain from parking in the visitors car park as the gates will close during the assembly.

Date	Class
10th October	Team 5R
17th October	Team 4JK
7th November	Team 3U
14th November	Team 2C
21st November	Team 1J



Our Autumn Term Parent's Evenings will take place before we break up for half-term.

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 21st October
		Wednesday 22 nd October
	Miss Mcdonald – Team RM	Tuesday 21st October
		Wednesday 22nd October
Year 1	Mrs Jeffs – Team 1J	Monday 20th October
		Tuesday 21st October
	Miss Hildebrandt – Team 1H	Monday 20th October
		Tuesday 21st October
Year 2	Miss Carter – Team 2C	Monday 20th October
		Tuesday 21st October
	Mrs King – Team 2K	Tuesday 21st October
		Wednesday 22 nd October
Year 3	Mrs Elston and Mrs Inns – Team 3EI	Monday 20th October
		Thursday 23rd October
	Mr Underhill – Team 3U	Monday 20th October
		Tuesday 21st October
Year 4	Mrs Kelly and Mrs Jones - Team 4JK	Wednesday 22nd October
		Thursday 23rd October
	Miss Cotgreave – Team 4C	Monday 20th October
		Tuesday 21st October
Year 5	Mrs Salisbury – Team 5S	Monday 20th October
		Tuesday 21 st October
	Miss Rennocks – Team 5R	Monday 20th October
		Tuesday 21st October
Year 6	Mrs Millington – Team 6M	Monday 20th October
		Tuesday 21st October
	Miss Buckley – Team 6B	Monday 20th October
		Tuesday 21st October



At the front of our school, we have a blue cabin which houses our Story Shack, next to the Uniform Union. Our Story Shack is our very own school library so pupils at Hoole are never short of something exciting to read!

The Story Shack contains a wide variety of books, educational toys and games suitable for readers and players of all ages. There are fiction and non-fiction books to suit every interest for children to enjoy independently or with a member of their family. Any member of our school may borrow books or games to enjoy for as long as they wish. There is no need to sign out books or have any special library ticket. Children and their families may access the Story Shack and choose what they would like. Our only condition is that items are returned in good condition, with no missing pages or pieces, so that they can be enjoyed again in the future.

The Story Shack supports us in ensuring that children develop a love of reading for pleasure. It ensures that all children have access to a wide range of reading materials, authors and genres. This is particularly important if they unable to access a public library or have limited reading resources at home.

The loan of educational games and toys supports pupils in building social skills, such as turn taking and working collaboratively, and problem-solving skills.

Providing this service also enables us to promote a positive message about sustainability, recycling and reusing items to our school family.

The Story Shack is open every school day from 8am to 4.30pm

"Oh we absolutely love the Story Shack! We are there a minimum of two or three times a week!"

WHAT OUR FAMILIES THINK!



"My daughter loves to go in there to borrow books and it is more convenient that always going to the library."

"My child really enjoys having a new game of book to borrow. It also helps him to understand that it is good to donate stuff too for other people to enjoy."

"My child loves visiting the Story Shack after school and choosing a book or a puzzle. It kept him entertained on long, dark Winter afternoons after school."

Safe School Chester

Safe School Chester, is a community project that works along the lines of Neighbourhood Watch.

The project is in collaboration with Safeguarding in Education, David Keane, Police Crime Commissioner, local schools, their pupils and parents, local councillors and the police.



There are over 40 local shops and businesses who have agreed to display stickers in their windows to show that it is a safe haven for them should they feel at all at risk. Your child can then go into the business if they feel at risk at all and ask that their school, parents or, in more serious cases, the police are called. So far, the project is in Hoole, Newton, Upton, Bache, Vicars Cross, parts of Handbridge and Great Boughton.

We would ask that if your child goes out independently you familiarise them with the Safe Zones.

The following shops and businesses are working in partnership with Safe School:

Hoole CE Primary School

Hoole All Saints Centre Hoole Road / Vicarage Road

Sainsburys Faulkner Street

Sarnies Faulkner Street

Hoptons the Butchers Faulkner Street

Denton & Hyde Faulkner Street

The Gift Box Faulkner Street

Hoole Food Market Faulkner Street

Oliver George Faulkner Street/ Prescott Street

With Love From Hoole Charles Street

Chatwins Charles Street

Charlies Kids Cuts Charles Street

Co-op Hoole Road

Hoole Community Centre Westminster Road

Hoole Lighthouse Westminster Road

Jane Smellie Hoole Road

The Piper Pub Pipers Lane / Hoole Lane

The Groves Hairdressers Cedar Grove

Tesco Weston Grove

Upton Heath Post Office

Spar at Upton

County Sports Plas Newton Lane

McColls Dicksons Drive

Co-op Kingsway

McColls Brook Lane

Spar at Vicars Cross

Aldi Tarvin Road

Shell Tarvin Road

Queens Road Shop Vicars Cross

Bill Smith Motors

Co-Op Christleton Road

Spencers Christleton Road

Morrisons

Chatwins Bache

Bache Post Office



Cheshire Phoenix Season Ticket

We have been very kindly gifted a school season ticket for Cheshire Phoenix Basketball matches.

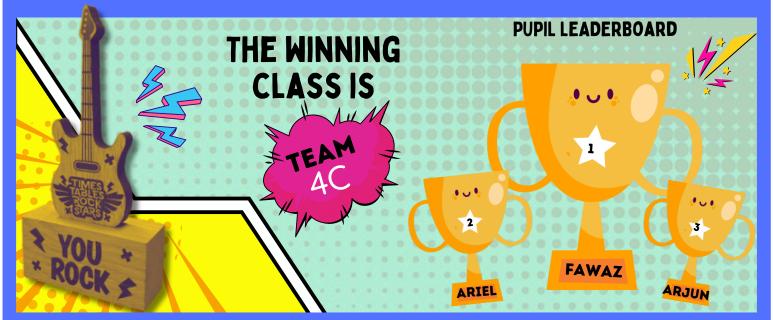


We have been very kindly gifted a school season ticket for Cheshire Phoenix Basketball matches!

If you would like to loan the ticket to get admission free for your family into one the Phoenix home matches at the Ellesmere Port Sports Village, please contact the School Office to check for any dates the ticket has available for this season.



Times Tables Rockstar Championship



SCHOOL OFFICE NEWS



Here you will find key information that answers the most common questions we receive in the School Office. We are here to help!



How do I pay for school lunches?



With the School Gateway app, parents and carers can make payments online to top up their child's dinner money account.

- Go to www.schoolgateway.com and download the app. Then select 'New User' and enter the email address and mobile telephone number you have registered with school.
- You will be texted a PIN code; enter this PIN code on the app and your account will be activated. You can now pay money to the school online, at a time convenient to you. Dinner money is charged at £2.90 per meal.



How do I pay for school trips?



With the School Spider app, parents and carers can make payments online for your child's trips. You can also book parents evenings and complete permission forms.

• Go to the App Store and download the School Spider app then select 'Create User' and enter your email address registered with the school to connect to your child's account.



How do I order uniform?

School sweatshirts and cardigans are available to purchase from Uniformity Clothing, who have a shop in Handbridge, however purchases made through their online store can be delivered to school for free. You can contact them on 01244 680187 or place an order via their website at www.uniformityschools.com/school/hoole-c-of-e-primary-school. Alternatively, pick up some pre-lovbed uniform for free from the Uniform Union outside the front of school.



My child isn't well.

If your child is unwell it is essential that you inform us on the first day of illness by telephoning the School Office by 9am. Please state your child's name, class and a specific reason for their absence.

Where there is a need for medication for long term health problems such as asthma and diabetes, or prescribed medicine, please complete a medical form, available from the School Office.

Communication We are the portal for answering questions, emails, phone calls and messages sent via social media platforms! We sent out notifications to families, be it letters, text messages, emails, newsletters or social media posts.

Information We manage and update the information you will find on our website, in our brochures and on our social media platforms.

Medication

Gone are the days of the School Nurse! We administer pain relief and prescribed medicine to children.

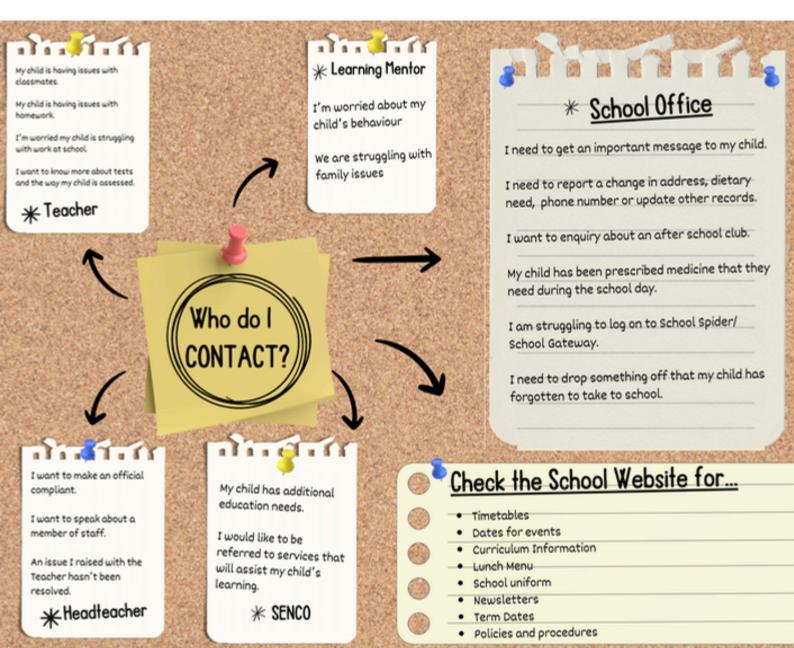
Records

We keep and update all data records. Contact us if you need to notify us or change any personal information, such as an absence, a dietary choice or a new address.

Clubs We compile the timetables, create the booking options and manage the registers.

Payments

We manage the financial systems where you make lunch and trip payments and also manage the card machine in the school office if you'd prefer not to make payments on an app.



Next Week's School Dinner Menu

Provided by HOOLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEK 3 LUNCH MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Slices of Texas BBQ Pizza (V) served with Baked Beans, Seasonal Vegetables or Coleslaw	Oven Baked Sausage Roll or Cheese & Onion Roll, Mashed Potato served with Baked Beans or Seasonal Vegetables	Chicken or Quorn in a Katsu Curry Sauce served with Rice, Naan Bread & Seasonal Vegetables	Spaghetti Bolognese served with Seasonal Vegetables	Cod/Salmon Fish Fingers or Veggle Fingers served with Chips, Baked Beans or Peas
Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Tomato & Herb Pasta Pot	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta Pot	Cheese & Tomato Pasta Pot	Hot Cheese & Tomato Baguette	Cheesy Bean Pasta Pot
Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich
Toffee Cake	Golden Crunch Biscuit	Chocolate Mudslide Cookie	Watermelon Wedge or Biscuit	Rice Crispy Cookie



Support in School

We want everyone involved with our school to feel well supported. We believe that good pastoral support focuses on nurturing the individual needs of each child. We aim to build trusting and empathic relationships with all our pupils and their families.

Our Learning Mentor, Mrs Robertson, is always available to support children and their families and ensure that all children are valued, nurtured and have the opportunities to acheive their goals. Mrs Robertson runs a lunch-time club for any child to attend if they are feeling vulnerable, providing a quiet calm space for reflection.

Pastoral care underpins personal development and we know from experience that with outstanding pastoral care, students feel they belong and their self-esteem is able to flourish because they feel valued and cared for.

Supporting the pastoral needs of pupils sometimes involves working with families and external agencies. In these situations, we ensure that confidential, professional, non-judgemental and sensitive care is provided.



Myles and Chris have created a
Thursday after-school TT
Rockstars meet up at The Bawn
Lodge, where they have been
playing TT Rockstars and other
multiplication games to try and
prepare themselves for their
multiplication check this year!

MYLES & CHRIS







Seb from Reception has been getting creative and made these incredible collages at home!



Year 6 High School Applications

We are at the time of year when Year 6 children need to be applying for High School. The application process has opened and will close on 31st October 2025. To apply for a High School place, please visit

www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions

There are guides to applying for High School and lots of helpful videas to support you and your child to manage this upcoming period of change on the Year 6 class page on the school website,

www.hooleceprimary.co.uk/class/year-6

If you need any assistance in applying for high school, please contact the School Office.



Education College CTION,

FOR CHESTER FOODBANK

ANY DONATIONS MADE TO THE SCHOOL WILL BE USED TO HELP LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED.



WE WELCOME DONATIONS OF:

UHT Juice Custard Tinned vegetables Jams and spreads Tinned meats Tinned fish

instant coffee Cuppa soups Instant noodles Instant pasta and sauce Tinned fruit Biscuits **Bible Worship Team**

Every Thursday, we welcome Mr Avery and Mrs Proctor from Hoole Baptist Church!

They come in to lead worship with a mix of stories, fun action songs and a chance to reflect on our lives.

They always love having the children heavily involved in what they do and the children are always very willing to help, and are keen to know what story comes next!



House of Hoole

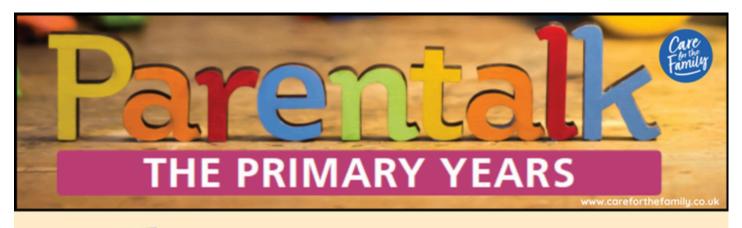
In order to support the school leaders in improving our school, we have a House of Hoole committee, who meet regularly to discuss and arrange lots of different things that make our school better. Our House of Hoole is structured like the UK government with different ministers holding responsibility for different areas of the school.

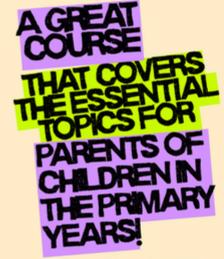
All classes from Years 1 to 6 are represented within the House of Hoole and these representatives act as points of contact between the school leaders and the classes.

Our House of Hoole representitives this year are Logan, Martha, Finn, Willow, Alice, Francis, Fabian, Norah, Ayla, Xander, Isla, Lelia and Evelyn!









TUES 14TH OCT TUES 25TH NOV THE BUSYNESS OF FAMILY LIFE

UNDERSTANDING CHILDREN'S 'LOVE LANGUAGES'

TUES 24TH MARCH

COMMUNICATION **SETTING BOUNDARIES**

TUES 12TH MAY

PREPARING CHILDREN FOR THE OUTSIDE WORLD

THE IMPORTANCE OF FAMILY TIME

PLEASE EMAIL ADMIN@HOOLECEPRIMAR CHESHIRE.SCH.UK TO RESERVE YOUR

Ambition for all to enjoy life in all its fullness















Let Your Light Shine - Matthew 5:16 (Sermon on the Mount)













As a school, we take a proactive approach to supporting our families with issues which may impact on family life and wellbeing.

We are aware that managing children's behaviour at home can sometimes be challenging. During periods of difficulty, parents/carers can feel isolated and may struggle with finding the answers to challenging behaviour they may face.

The Parent Talk in the Primary Years course is being run by staff from our school and HETTY Nursery (Mrs Jeffs, Mrs Bowes, Mrs Chester and Miss Cooper).

It will be an informal opportunity for parents/carers to engage with a range of topics related to managing behaviour in a supportive environment, with opportunities for discussion with staff and other families. The course will cover areas including setting boundaries, building communication and preparing children for the outside world.

The first session takes place on Tuesday 14th October and covers the Busyness of Family Life. We feel that all parents would benefit from attending these sessions, whether it's picking up parenting tips from each other or having a chat over a cup of tea and a biscuit.

There is no charge for this course. To book a place, please email, telephone or speak to the school office. All are welcome to attend, even if you only wish to attend one or two sessions.



Birthdays





Sophie dances with the Silhouettes and was awarded a medal at their end of season show in Blackpool!

Norah passed her Level 1 Swimming Certificate last week!

Billy was awarded a trophy for being the Best Footballer of the Week!



Molly plays for Upton Juniors and scored two goals, awarding her Player of the Match!

Hivda was made Star of the Day at her Martial Arts class!



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

Rory C	Connie C
Olivia P	Harriet P
Evie D	Otis M
Alice L F	Gwen F
Mayah G	Rose G
Isla F	Brody D



IS YOUR CHILD STARTING PRIMARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2026?

MEET OUR TEAM AT OUR OPEN DAYS!

WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER 4PM During the Open Evenings, you will see how learning is developed across subjects, discover how our curriculum is enriched by engaging resources and enjoy our extensive outdoor environment. You will meet our teaching and support team and find out about how we support children to shine brightly and achieve well! WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 4PM

At Hoole Church of England Primary School,

learning is active, exciting and out of this world!

We are also hosting tours of the school for small groups of families on:

Wednesday 24th September 9.30-10.30am
Tuesday 14th October 9.30-10.30am
Tuesday 21st October 9.30-10.30am
Tuesday 4th November 9.30-10.30am
Wednesday 5th November 9.30-10.30am
Wednesday 19th November 9.30-10.30am
Wednesday 3rd December 9.30-10.30am
Thursday 8th January 9.30-10.30am & 1.30-2.30pm

Tours will be hosted by senior staff along with our Early Years and Key Stage One leader.

Please pre-book your tour by emailing us at admin@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk or calling us on 01244 323890





























Key Dates

20th-23rd October	Parents' Evenings
24th October	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
27th-31st October	School Holidays
3rd November	School re-opens for pupils
5th November	Year 4 Trip
3rd-12th November	Year 6 Bikeability
12th November	Whole School Flu Vaccination
14th November	Non-uniform Day for Children In Need
20th November	Pupil Photographs
27th November	Lantern Parade
16th December	Y1-2 Christmas Service at All Saints' Church 1.45pm
17th December	Y3-4 Christmas Service at All Saints' Church 1.45pm
18th December	Y5-6 Christmas Service at All Saints' Church 1.45pm
20th December-4th January	School Holidays

Contact us



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