



Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 18th July 2025

Dear Parents,

This year, more than any other, seems to have gone by incredibly quickly – it doesn't seem two minutes since we were rehearsing for the Harvest Festival and Christingle – and now here we are at the end of the school year! There have been some wonderful events and memories created this year as part of our enrichment offer, but the excellent learning which takes place daily in all classes is also something we shouldn't forget to celebrate. We are so lucky to be supported by such great parents, governors and staff – our school would not be the same without them. Equally, we are privileged to work with such a great group of children who exhibit such great attitudes to learning.

Our brilliant staff team have worked diligently all year to create such excellent learning experiences for the children and we are very grateful to them for that. We're also pleased that we are not saying goodbye to any members of staff this year, with all of them returning in September. Finally, we hope you enjoy a great summer holiday together. We look forward to seeing everyone on our return to school on Tuesday 2nd September.

Best wishes,
Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Cope

'Hello & Welcome'

A huge 'hello and welcome' to Betsy (in Year 4) and Bill (in Year 2) who joined our school this week. How brilliant for them to be able to settle in and make friends before the summer holidays! We are sure they will be made to feel very welcome by our school family.

Goodbye & Good Luck!

Earlier in the week we said goodbye to Rollo, Margot and Hetty who have moved onto pastures new as their family is posted south. We have loved having them as part of our school for the past two years and they will be missed.

We're so proud of our wonderful Year 6 children and it will be hard to say goodbye to them today; they truly are fantastic role models for Hunton & Arrathorne School and we know they will be successful in their future adventures. They have each made such an impact on the life of our school and will be very much missed in September – a huge 'good luck' to Cate, Isaac, Max, Evie, Fiona, Amelia, Thomas, Ronnie, Grace, Sophie and Barnaby. Please keep in touch!

Governors' Corner

Another busy and successful academic year comes to an end with lots of successes to reflect on and celebrate. The school continues to blossom and grow, with pupil numbers increasing. Our children have so many exciting learning opportunities and experiences and I would like to express the thanks of the governing body to Mr. Donaldson and the school team who have all worked so hard throughout the year to ensure that our pupils thrive and that the school continues to move forward. We say goodbye to our current Year 6 pupils who move on to their new schools in September and take their next steps on their educational journey, they have all worked hard, we are very proud of them and wish them all the best for the future. We also say goodbye and thank you to our fellow governor, Mrs. Beverly Smeeton, who is leaving the governing body at the end of term. She has been a real asset to the school, a real hands-on governor, often in school, who has contributed lots and is a familiar face to the children. She will be missed. I wish you all a peaceful, happy and safe summer holiday.

Andrea Peacock Chair of Governors

September 2025

School reopens on **Tuesday 2nd September** at 8.45am. We will send a letter home towards the end of the summer holidays with further information about the start of term. Monday 1st September is a staff CPD day.

Diamond Dash

Well done to all of the children who competed in our 'Diamond Dash Final' this week – a special congratulations to Margot D (KS1) and Evie M (KS2) who were crowned as our first ever winners!

Safeguarding Reminders

Mr. Sam Donaldson is the Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mr. Gavin Cope is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Mrs. Louise Wyatt is the Safeguarding Link Governor.

If you have worries or concerns about a pupil, please don't hesitate to speak to one of the people named above, in confidence.

Safeguarding in the Summer Holidays

If you have concerns about the safety of a child whilst school is closed over the summer holidays, then the following website is a useful hub for information and next steps: <https://safeguardingchildren.co.uk/>