

Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21st March 2025

Dear Parents,

Following the excitement of 'Reading Week', this week has been a much more 'normal' week in school. Nevertheless, we have enjoyed visiting classes and seeing our brilliant school in action. A definite favourite part of the week was interviewing five Reception children about our school on Monday – we were amazed by how much they could tell us!

On Thursday, we were joined by our Local Education Advisor from NYCC who explored our curriculum, with a particular focus on Music, MFL and Computing. This included some lesson visits and speaking to groups of children; she was incredibly impressed by children's attitudes to learning during lessons and equally by their knowledge and application of subject-specific vocabulary so a big well done to all!

A huge thank you for supporting Red Nose Day today – there were some very funny jokes and the children looked great in their red outfits. Thank you to the Pupil Leaders and Mrs. Webster for organising the events. Next Friday is also a non-uniform day – further information can be found below.

We have updated the list of dates overleaf with a couple of key dates for the summer term including a Sports Morning (in place of our usual Sports Afternoon) and the dates for the Year 2 - 6 end of year production.

Mr. Donaldson & Mr. Cope

Y2/3 Stone Age Day

Just a reminder that Year 2/3 will be having an outdoor 'Stone Age Workshop' next Tuesday (25th March). Children should wear outdoor clothes and shoes to school (no school uniform). Voluntary contributions towards the experience are now live on Parent Pay.

Parents' Evening

Children should have brought home the reply slips with times for Parents' Evenings on earlier this week. If you have not received yours, please speak to your child's class teacher. We look forward to discussing your child's progress with you.

Non-Uniform Day / Easter Egg Raffle

Next week we will also be fundraising with the return of our Easter Egg Raffle. Children are welcome to wear their own clothes to school on Friday 28th March in exchange for a donation of an Easter egg. Tickets for the raffle will then be sold the following week with the grand draw taking place on the last day of term.

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	Mrs. Dozēy	Mrs. Tunmo		Mr. Cope		1rs. Ilocks	Miss Weeks	Mrs. Pearson	Mr. Donaldson
Above & Beyond (Care – Aspire – Excel)	Albie	Bertie	9	Emmy	A	nnie	Faye	Max	Jaiden
	Robin Class (Rec / Y1)			Kingfisher Class (Y2)		Partridge Class (Y4/5)		Woodpecker Class (Y6)	
Curriculum Award	Indi	William R				Bea		Grace	
Aims Award	Teddy	Jack	Jack Kirsty			River		lsaac	
Team Points	Bolton								
Tidy Classroom	Robins reception								
Golden Spoon	Amelia-Rose								
Monarch	Evie (Y5)								

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When?	se keep checking the dates below as some may cho What?	Who?	How?	
Friday 21 st March	Red Nose Day	All	Information sent	
Tuesday 25 th March	Y2/3 Stone Age Day	Y2/3	Information sent	
Tuesday 25 th March	Easter Event (Reception Parents)	REC	Information sent	
Friday 28 th March	Non-Uniform Day (Bring an Easter Egg)	All	Information sent	
Wednesday 26 th March	Parents' Evening	All	Information sent	
Monday 31 st March	Easter Film Night	All	Information sent	
Tuesday 1 st April	Easter Baking Night	All	Information sent	
Wednesday 2 nd April	Easter Treasure Hunt Night	All	Information sent	
Thursday 3 rd April	Easter Labyrinth	All	Information sent	
Friday 4 th April	Decorated Egg Competition	All	Information sent	
Friday 4 th April	School Closes for Easter Holiday	All	See newsletter	
Monday 28 th April	Reception Monk Park Farm Visit	REC	Information sent	
Tuesday 22 nd April	School Opens for Summer Term	All	See newsletter	
Tuesday 29 th April	Y1 Pony Trekking Visit	Y1	Information to follow	
Monday 12 th May	KS2 SATS Week	Y6	Information to follow	
Friday 23 rd May	School Closes for Summer Half-Term	All	See newsletter	
W/C Monday 9 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check Begins	Y1	Information to follow	
Tuesday 17 th June	iesday 17 th June Sports Morning		Information to follow	
Wednesday 9 th July	Y2 – Y6 End of Year Production	Y2-Y6	Information to follow	
Friday 18 th July	School Closes for Summer Holiday	All	See newsletter	

Around the Classes...

Robin Class (Reception): This week, we have enjoyed our Drawing Club story 'We're Going On An Egg Hunt'. We have been using the story to inspire creating an 'egg-xiting' event for you for next week. In Maths, we have been developing our knowledge of part and whole (2 is a part and 3 is a part of 5 which is the whole). In PE, we have been continuing our adventures in gymnastics, finding space and moving in various different ways. We have been working hard on our sentence writing and children are working really hard at segmenting words to spell them phonetically correct independently – amazing! **Robin Class (Year 1):** We have been very inquisitive this week! In Science, we took part in an 'eggsperiment' to see which material would protect Humpty Dumpty from his fall; it was very 'eggciting'! In History, we continued to travel back in time to 1960s and learn why there were no smart toys or games. And can you believe... a spaceship landed in our outdoor area, and it was Beegu. Mr Donaldson and Mr Cope were spotted on an online news report! We created a WANTED poster and used imperative verbs to describe how to take care of Beegu if she was found. A well-deserved weekend after a very busy week - well done everyone.

Kingfisher Class: In Maths, we have started a new unit on statistics, which has seen us explore tally charts as well as pictograms (using different values to represent each picture). In History, we have enjoyed learning more about the mystery of Stonehenge, investigating different theories as to why it was built whilst in Science we were planning an experiment to investigate the effects of exercise on our heart rate. Our drumming lessons have continued and it is great to see the children progress each week. With spring making an appearance, hopefully everyone will enjoy a bright and sunny weekend!
Partridge Class: Partridges have had a brilliant week! In English, our murder mystery novel came to a conclusion as we finally discovered who the murderer was! Alongside this, we have been writing our own murder mystery narrative based in Hunton. In Computing, we used microcontrollers to create disco dancers with sparkles and motors. We have also began practicing for the Easter Labyrinth, which is quickly approaching in a couple of weeks! Well done Partridges have a good weekend!
Woodpecker Class: Another great week in Year 6. We have started to apply all of the writing skills we have learnt in English lessons – this week creating narrative stories based around a journey through a mysterious door. It was great to see so many elements of writing on show. In Maths we have continued to delve deeper into algebra – we've also enjoyed learning more about programming variables in Computing and develop outdoor and adventurous skills in P.E.

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