



Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 13th March 2026

Dear Parents,

It has been another busy and brilliant week in school. After the excitement of 'Book Week', it has been great to have a 'normal' week in school with lots of great learning taking place; it is always a pleasure to have a walk around each class to see such wonderful attitudes to learning across the school.

Year 3 had a wonderful visit to Piercebridge Roman Fort on Monday morning where they were able to apply their historical enquiry skills in real life by investigating the Roman ruins. A big thank you to everyone who has donated an Easter Egg for our Easter Egg raffle – raffle tickets will be sold after school during the final week of term.

We hope to see many of you next week at Parents' Evening so we can share with you some of the great progress, which has taken place, as well as giving you an opportunity to have a look at your child's work.

Have a restful weekend,
Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Cope

Easter Special Events

Don't forget that we have our Easter specials coming up over the next couple of weeks. Firstly, our Easter Film Night on Monday; this is followed by our Easter Treasure Hunt on Wednesday 25th March. It's not too late to book onto these if you haven't already!

Easter Labyrinth

Our Easter Labyrinth will take place on Thursday 26th March. If you haven't already booked a slot for this special event, please do get in touch with Mrs. Godlee in the School Office.

Governors' Corner

I visited school on Tuesday afternoon talk to Miss Weeks about Computing in school. The children were learning about coding and algorithms. They worked together well in pairs and were all engaged with the learning. I learnt a lot too! I then met with Mrs Cromey-Hawke to discuss inclusion in school. She showed me all the strategies in place to support the children's learning and how they monitor them to make sure the children are making progress. It was evident that the whole school work together to be an inclusive school.

Louise Wyatt
Safeguarding Governor

Let's Celebrate!

See who has been awarded in Celebration Assembly this week!

	Mrs. Dozēy	Mrs. Hollocks	Mr. Donaldson	Mrs. Tunmore / Mrs. Gregory	Miss Weeks	Mrs. Kawai-Calderhead	Mr. Cope
Care – Aspire – Excel Awards	Elizabeth	Eric	Freya	Annie	Betsy	River	Beatrice
	Robin Class (Rec/Y1)	Kingfisher Class (Y1 & Y2)	Goldfinch Class (Y3)	Partridge Class (Y4 & Y5)	Woodpecker Class (Y6)		
Curriculum Award	Angus	Nancy	Finn	Holly	Rafe		
Aims Award	Finn	Mary	Bill	Poppy	Joey		
Team Points	Middleham						
Presentation Prize	Kai						
Golden Spoon	Lucas						
Monarch	Livy						
Tidy Class	Kingfishers						

Parents' Evening

Appointment times have been sent home for our Parents' Evening next week. If you have not received a slip with your appointment time on, please let your child's class teacher know.

Around the Classes...

Robin Class: This week, we have been learning all about the Easter Story, in preparation for our part in the Easter Labyrinth performance. We are very excited and have been busy planning ideas and starting to rehearse our part, (you are in for a treat!). In Maths, we have continued to look at 'one more' of a given number. We have enjoyed making 'Magic Shows' and 'Car Shows' in provision - enjoying making resources to enhance our learning. Following our story 'Toys in Space', Ruby went missing from our classroom. We had to make posters to put up around the school to see if others could help locate her! We have also been very busy making something for a very special person this weekend!

Kingfisher Class: What an incredible week! We are so proud of the children's achievements over the year so far. In Maths, we have worked hard to further our understanding of geometry by investigating the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. In English, we have continued to enjoy finding out more about the Great Fire of London in preparation for writing our own information texts. In History, we have enjoyed comparing how schools are similar and different to those in the past. We are also enjoying creating our own circus themed dance in our PE lessons.

Goldfinch Class: We got off to a super start; we were incredibly inquisitive during our visit to Piercebridge on Monday as well as being happy and healthy and risk-takers! We loved exploring, acting out and finding out facts; ask us which rank of the Roman soldier we became! We all participated enthusiastically in our new dance topic in PE, where our theme is 'At the Seaside.' We have been sequencing routines and keeping to the beat of 8. We have explored money and responsibility in PSHE, discussing ways to save money and spend responsibly. We conducted another experiment another experiment in Science, this week encouraging mould! Another wonderful week.

Partridge Class: Partridges have worked extremely hard this week, perfecting finding angles on a straight line in Maths. We have loved reading Beowulf and exploring the Anglo-Saxon text, identifying some of the interesting vocabulary and discussing the meaning. The children wrote their own recount of a battle, using their own incredibly powerful vocabulary. Following this, we have also enjoyed investigating primary sources in History, which we used to make our own deductions about Anglo-Saxon life. In Computing, we really enjoyed exploring algorithms as part of our 'programming' unit, identifying errors in my examples before experimenting with our own.

Woodpecker Class: We have continued our fractions, decimals and percentages unit in Maths, understanding the concept of a percentage before converting between the three. In English, we have been identifying different types of determiners as well as looking at how the 'power of 3' can be used within our own writing to make it more powerful. In Science, we had a brilliant time creating our own parachutes before conducting an experiment to find which material was the most appropriate whilst in P.E.; we continued to develop our dance skills. Another great week for each of the Woodpeckers – well done to all!

Diary Dates

Please keep checking the dates below as some may change at short notice! Please note the Music Morning will now take place in the summer term.

When?	What?	Who?	How?
Monday 16 th March	Easter Film Night	All	Information sent
Wednesday 18 th March	Parents' Evening – 3.30pm – 7pm	All	Information sent
Wednesday 25 th March	Easter Treasure Hunt	All	Information sent
Thursday 26 th March	Easter Labyrinth	All	Information sent
Friday 27 th March	Decorated Egg Competition	All	Information sent
Friday 27 th March	School Closes for Easter Holiday	All	See newsletter
Tuesday 14 th April	School Opens for Summer Term	All	See newsletter
W/C Monday 11 th May	Y6 SATS Week Begins	Y6	Information to follow
Wednesday 20 th May	Whole School Visit – Himalayan Sculpture Garden	All	Information to follow
Thursday 21 st May	Year 6 Theatre Visit	Y6	Information to follow
Friday 22 nd May	School Closes for Half Term	All	See newsletter
Monday 1 st June	School Opens	All	See newsletter
Wednesday 8 th July	KS2 End of Year Production – 2pm and 6pm	KS2	Information to follow
Friday 17 th July	Leavers' Assembly	Y6	Information to follow
Friday 17 th July	End of Term	All	See newsletter

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.