

# **Weekly Newsletter**

# Friday 14th October 2022



# **Fun Run**

We went to our first sporting event of the year yesterday – a local fun run! The children were full of smiles and enthusiasm. Year 3 and 4 ran in one race, followed by year 5 and 6 in a second. All the participants ran distance well, thinking carefully about pace. Our top runners were James C and Bob L, both coming in 6th in their respective races which is an excellent achievement. Both Miss Temple and I had a wonderful time supporting the children in the sunshine, and we look forward to attending more throughout the year. Well done to all the children who took part, you represented Hook in a fantastic manner!

If your child is invited to participate in a sporting event, it is essential that we receive your responses well before the event, giving us time to complete registration details and make transport arrangements. There were over 100 children interested in the Fun Run yesterday and of the 60 letters sent home only 26 replies were received. Unfortunately, this meant that we were unable to invite children who were on our reserve list and desperate to go in time. Please contact the school office if you think you should have received a letter, or simply need a replacement copy. Our invitations and consent requests are often also sent by email requesting that a brief survey is completed. When you receive a letter or email invitation, please follow the instructions carefully so that we can fill all available places.

Mrs Ellwood

### **School Meal Prices**

You may be aware that this week, Hampshire County Council announced that their catering services (HC3S) will be increasing the cost of pupil meals from £2.60 to £2.80. The charge for a pupil meal at Hook Junior School will remain £2.50 and we do not anticipate that this will change for the remainder of the school year unless the food supply chain is affected by exceptionally high price increases.

### NHS Flu Vaccinations – 18th October

The NHS School Age Immunisation Team will be coming to school next Tuesday to administer flu immunisations to children.

Please ensure you have completed the online consent form by 8am Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October if you wish your child to be included.

The immunisation team will not be able to administer a vaccine to children with for whom consent has not been given before 8am on Monday 17 October.

Register your consent online using our unique school code: SH116045

If your child develops any medical issues after submitting the consent form please inform the School Age Immunisation Team by phone (01252 335142) or email.

### **Seesaw Homework**

Some parents have reported problems viewing homework in Seesaw when the task has been uploaded in Adobe PDF format. We understand that the Seesaw development team are aware of the issue and working on a solution.

The Seesaw app has also changed. <u>Two previously available apps have now been replaced with a single app</u>. If you use the Seesaw app on a device at home, please update to the newest version.

The new Seesaw app will soon be introducing an account switching feature, meaning that for siblings who share the same device the account can be switched, rather than having to logout and login again. Please read the Seesaw account switching announcement for more details.

# **Skate Park Redevelopment Consultation**

The very popular skate park in Hartletts Park is coming to the end of its life and needs to be replaced. The Parish Council has employed skate park design specialists <u>Canvas</u> to design and build a new facility that will cater for skate boards, scooters and BMX bikes.

Come along to view the plans and attend a presentation at 5:30pm on Thursday 20th October and have your chance to say what you think of the proposed design. All are welcome, we would like to hear from users of any age. Further details can be found at the Hook Parish Council Facebook event. Consultation will be held in The Base (above the cafe) at Hook Community Centre, Ravenscroft, Hook, RG27 9NN.

Hook Parish Council

#### The HSCA AGM

The AGM will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022 in the Junior School hall. Access is via the pedestrian gate at the end of the community centre car park. Drinks and snacks will be served at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. Come along to learn more about the HSCA, our events and vote for the HSCA committee members.

# The HSCA Fire Show – 5th November

The HSCA will be hosting Hook Fireworks 2022 on Saturday 5th November 2022. The event will be held on the Junior School field and gates will open at 5pm.

The event promises to be a fantastic family night out, with hot food, fairground rides, inflatable fun, sweet treats, bar, live music and of course a spectacular Fireworks display! Purchases your tickets here.

If you are able to volunteer on the night, please do sign up; volunteers will receive a free drink and have their individual ticket price refunded. Signing up is simple and can be done as part of the check-out process on our ticket website. If you' would like to find out more about the volunteering roles, please email the HSCA.

#### Choir Places Still Available for Years 4 to 6

We still have some extra spaces for children who would like to join. Everyone is welcome and we would particularly like to encourage more boys who enjoy singing to give choir a try! The choir is friendly and fun and we explore a wide range of song repertoire; one of our current songs is called 'Roller Ghoster' which combines the excitement of a Roller Coaster Ride with the scariness of a Ghost Train – with actions to match!

The choir is open to pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 and rehearses every Tuesday after school until 4.15pm and performs regularly to pupils and parents at school concerts etc. Each year a number of our choir members take part in a concert of massed school choirs and orchestras, run by Basingstoke Primary Schools Music at the Anvil. Last year we performed 'Ocean Commotion' which was a great success and enjoyed hugely by both the children and the audience. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children and a highlight in the choir's calendar!

If your child is interested in joining the choir, please contact the School Office in the usual way. The school charges £2 per child, per week for choir.

Mrs Laird and Mrs Linehan-Hill

# Chelsea Football Club Half-Term Soccer School

Chelsea Football Club will be holding their next Soccer School during October half-term:

Dates: Mon 24th October - Tue 25th October

Timings: 08:45 - 15:00.

Ages: 5-12 years

Venue: Queen Mary's College, Cliddesden Road, Basingstoke, RG21 3HF

Players attending will take part in fun challenges in age appropriate groups where the focus is on enjoyment and development. All players should have appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather conditions for the week and players will need to take a water bottle and packed lunch each day.

Parents can register and book a place here.

# **Applications for Secondary School**

Applications for a place in year 7 at Secondary School are open for children in Year 6.

The deadline for applications is midnight on Monday 31 October 2022.

Late applications will not be considered until after all on-time applications which will significantly reduce your chances of gaining a place at any of your preferred schools.

For further details, and to make an application, visit the Hampshire School Admissions website.

# **KOOSA Kids Holiday Clubs**

KOOSA Kids are pleased to confirm the dates for our October Half Term, Christmas & February Half Term holiday clubs. We're kicking off our Autumn/Winter holiday club programme with a **Spooktacular Adventure** during October Half Term (24th to 28th October), followed by a **Winter Wonderland** during the Christmas Holidays (19th to 23rd December). Children will take part in up to 9 activities each day, always a mixture of sporty and team games, arts & crafts, drama and imagination. All from just £24 per child for a standard day (10.00am to 4.00pm).

Visit <u>www.koosakids.co.uk/holiday-club</u> for more information or call 01276 21884. Bookings are now open.

# Stars of the Week

Year 3: Serena F, Sebastian G, Meris D, Zachary D

Year 4: Zak S, Sam R, Jakey S, Jay B

Year 5: Eloise T, Betty B, Samy V, Dillon N

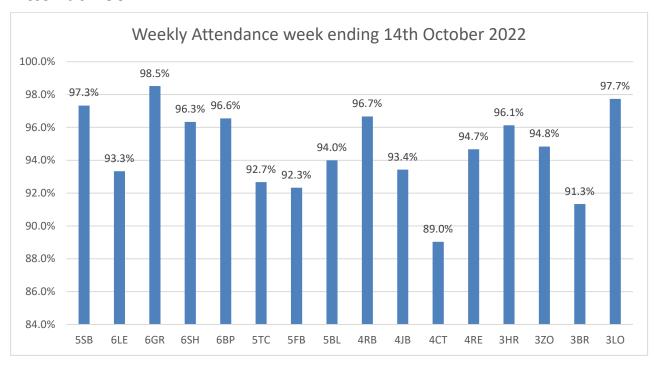
Year 6: Kaiyoori J, Katie B, Naomi M, Vansh C, Bertie F

# **House Points this week**

Austen	171
Brunel	208
Nightingale	184
Wellington	188

House point winners this week: Brunel Reading Raffle Winner: Nate, 4RE

# **Attendance**



Whole school attendance this week: 94.7%

#### Find out more...

Follow <u>@hookjunior on Twitter</u> and <u>visit our Facebook page</u> for more updates and photos.

# **Key Dates – New dates added to this Newsletter appear in green**

**17 Oct HSCA AGM 18 Oct** Flu Immunisations 20 Oct Year 2 Parent Open Morning 24 Oct **Autumn Half Term** 31 Oct **INSET** day **31 Oct** Year 7 applications close, midnight 2 Nov **Learning Consultations** 3 Nov **Learning Consultations** 5 Nov **HSCA Fireshow** 7 Nov Year 6 Local Artist Workshop, linked to Anti-Bullying week 7 Nov Year 5 Astronomer visit 8 Nov Year 5 Local Artist Workshop, linked to Anti-Bullying week 9 Nov Year 4 Local Artist Workshop, linked to Anti-Bullying week 10 Nov Year 3 Local Artist Workshop, linked to Anti-Bullying week 14 Nov Odd Socks Day 15 Nov Year 5 Learning Event 17 Nov Year 6 Learning Event 22 Nov Year 3 Learning Event 28 Nov **INSET Day** 3 Dec **HSCA Christmas Fair** 6 Dec Year 4 Christmas Production 8 Dec Year 4 Christmas Production 14 Dec Carols Around the Tree 16 Dec End of Autumn Term - 1:30 finish 19 Dec Christmas Holiday 3 Jan Spring Term – back to school 13 Feb Spring Half Term 20 Feb **INSET Day** 22 Feb **Learning Consultations** 23 Feb **Learning Consultations** 20 Mar Young Shakespeare Company performing to Year 5 & 6

Iron Age workshop with Year 3

Iron Age workshop with Year 3

23 Mar

24 Mar

31 Mar End of Spring Term - 1:30 finish

**3 Apr** Easter Holiday

29 May Summer Half Term

**19 Jun** Sports Day

4 Jul Year 6 Production6 Jul Year 6 Production

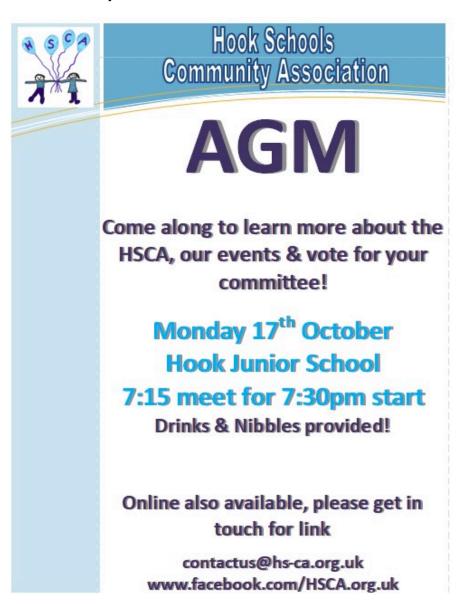
7 Jul Annual pupil reports circulated to parents10 Jul Year 6 Residential Trip to Marchants Hill

18 Jul Strawberry Tea

20 Jul Year 6 Leaver Assembly

**21 Jul** End of Summer Term – 1:30 finish

**24 Jul** Summer Holiday





# NEW SKATEPARK DESIGN MEETING

COME AND HAVE YOUR









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THE UPDATED PLANS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT: WWW.CANVASSPACES.CO.UK/HOOK-SKATEPARK



# How do I book my child?

We're social!





(Mon-Fri 9.30am – 6.00pm)



Book online 24/7









ACTIVITY PACKAGE	DAILY	WEEKLY (8% DISCOUNT)
Standard Activity Day – 10.00am to 4.00pm	£24.00	£110.40 (Save £9.60)
Standard Activity Day with AM Extension – 8.15am to 4.00pm	£26.00	£119.60 (Save £10.40)
Standard Activity Day with PM Extension – 10.00am to 6.00pm	£26.00	£119.60 (Save £10.40)
Standard Activity Day with AM and PM Extension – 8.15am to 6.00pm	£27.00	£124.20 (Save £10.80)

# WHERE AND WHEN ARE THE HOLIDAY CLUBS OPEN?

	VENUE	OCTOBER 2022	CHRISTMAS 2022	FEBRUARY 2023
Berks	Birch Hill Primary School, Bracknell	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
rks	The Heights Primary School, Caversham	24th to 28th October	21st to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
Hants	Alderwood Infant School, Aldershot	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	Court Moor School, Fleet	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	Hook Infant School, Hook	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	Liphook Junior School, Liphook	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
Kingston & Richmond	Castle Hill Primary School, Chessington	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	St. Mary's Hampton Primary School, Hampton	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	The Vineyard School, Richmond Hill	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
ichm	Teddington Sports Centre, Teddington	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
ă	Whitton Sports Centre, Whitton	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	Ashford Park Primary School, Ashford	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	Wallace Fields Infant School, Epsom	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	Busbridge Junior School, Godalming	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
S	St. Joseph's Primary School, Guildford	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
Surrey	Shottermill Junior School, Haslemere	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	Danetree Primary School, West Ewell	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	Manby Lodge Infant School, Weybridge	24th to 28th October	19th to 23rd December	13th to 17th February
	Knaphill Lower School, Woking	24th to 28th October	21st to 23rd December	13th to 17th February

<sup>+</sup> Siblings only

# **EXCEPTIONAL VALUE** ★ OUTSTANDING QUALITY ★ UNLIMITED FUN