



# HOOK JUNIOR SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

### **Christmas Fun on Thursday 17 December**

Thursday 17 December will be a day filled with Christmas fun. Children are invited to dress in a festive non-uniform outfit. Outfits can include Christmas dresses, Christmas t-shirts and Christmas jumpers, but please ensure that your child's clothing is suitable for a day at school and will keep your child warm.

The Hook Schools Parents Association are providing a gingerbread biscuit (allergies catered for) and a glow stick for every child and the school will be providing lots of craft activities for the afternoon

There is a suggested donation of £2 for the day which will be collected at the school gate as children arrive in the morning.

Christmas lunch will be served on Thursday 17 December. We have already invited you to indicate whether your child would like a Christmas lunch. If you did not receive an invitation, or have yet to reply, please contact the office. Orders for Christmas lunch must be made in advance of the day.

### **Year 4 Dance Days**

Year 4 classes will be participating in their dance days next week apart from 4HG, who did their dance day today. Please ensure that your child is wearing their PE kit into school on the appropriate day as follows:

4IS: Monday 14th December

4JH: Tuesday 15th December

4HR: Wednesday 16th December & Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December (Dance Mornings)

Your child also needs to wear their PE kit into school on Wednesday for their PE lesson in the afternoon.

### **Keeping Our Records Up To Date**

On 11 November we sent home a summary of the information we hold about your child. We requested that you check and update this as necessary to ensure our records are current. Thank you to everyone who has already returned their form. If you haven't already checked, updated, signed and returned your data collection sheet, please do so by Friday 18th December. You must sign and return the data collection sheet even if there are no changes to be made.

### **Library Thanks**

We would like to thank Mrs Edge and Mrs Mitchell for their recent donations of books for the school library.

If you would like to donate good quality fiction or non-fiction books, please contact the school office.

Mrs Adsley

## Online Safety – TikTok

It has been brought to our attention that some children are using TikTok accounts. This social media platform has an official age rating of 13+ years and has been graded as 'average' on the NetAware safety rating scale for children above this age. We encourage all parents and carers to please [read more about TikTok on the NetAware website](#) in order to help you make an informed decision of whether your child should have access and for you to be aware of the mature content they may be exposed to.

## Parent Governor Ballot

Last week all parents were emailed with an invitation to vote to appoint two governors from the four applicants we recently received. The ballot closes on Wednesday 16 December, after which it will not be possible to cast your vote. The outcome of the ballot will be announced just before the end of term.

## HSPA Online Christmas Raffle

We are very excited to be bringing you the first ever HSPA Online Christmas Raffle. We would normally hold our Christmas raffle during the Christmas fair, but as we have been unable to hold the fair this year, we thought we would still bring you our raffle with fantastic prizes to be won.

Prizes to be won this year are:

- Brand new adult BMW limited edition Microscooter - £75 Christmas Hamper - £40 Miller's Ark Voucher - Navy leather handbag - Bottle of Hook Gin! - 20% voucher for Unique hair salon, hair straightener and mini hair dryer - £30 kid's Christmas Hamper (various toys & chocolates/sweets) MORE prizes to be announced soon. Some prizes have been donated by local businesses but some have been purchased by the HSPA and then enhanced by the local retailers. So buy our raffle tickets and help support our fantastic local businesses - PLUS the Hook Schools benefit too! #supportlocal

As always tickets are 50p each and you can buy as many as you would like. Your receipt will show as 1 ticket transaction, but rest assured we will have a list of all tickets which you have purchased. All you need to do is follow this link: [school.plansocial.app/events/61574](https://school.plansocial.app/events/61574)

***The draw will be taking place live on Facebook on Sunday 13th December, on the Christmas Raffle event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/800627350486811>***

We hope you are able to take part in this great event, and even one 50p ticket can help raise funds for the school and you might even win a fantastic gift in time for Christmas

If you have any questions please drop us an email at [contactus@hspa.org.uk](mailto:contactus@hspa.org.uk)

Good luck from the HSPA Team

## Stars of the Week

Year 3: Biranish N, Ava M, Isla H, Nyla A, Will C

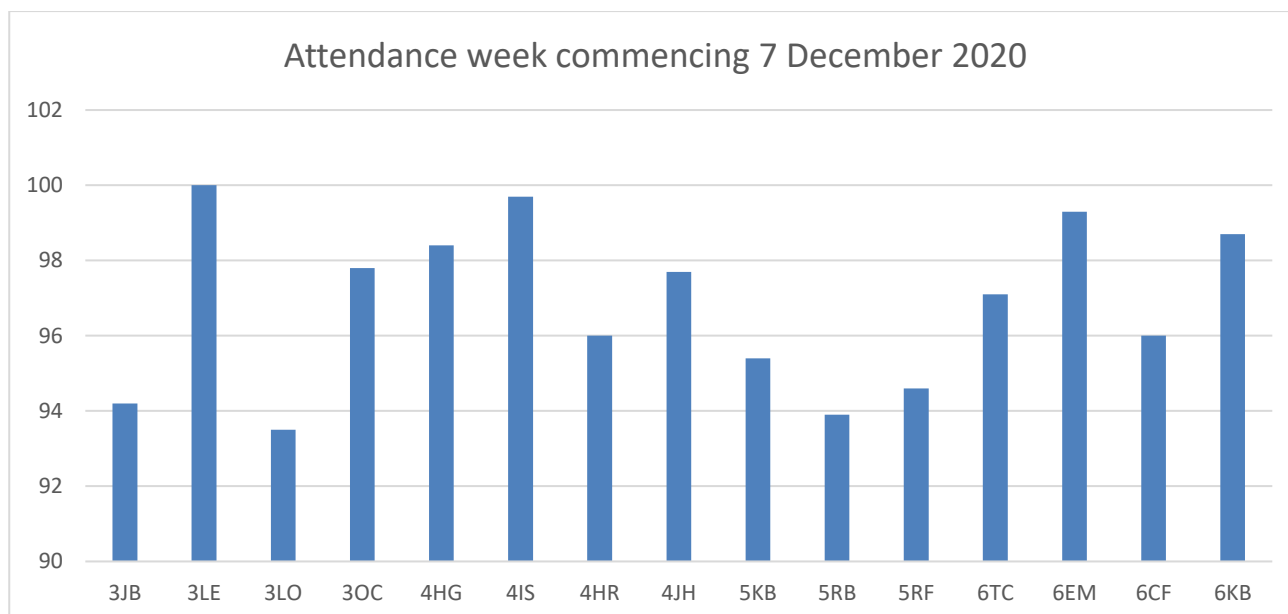
Year 4: Harry P, Lincoln P, Florence F

Year 5: Bronwen T, Eden R, Eli R, Amy R, Seth W, Harry R

Year 6: Alex SD, Eliza V, Izzy P-M, Sophie R, Evie K

## Attendance every day counts...

Your child's attendance matters!



Whole school attendance 96.8%.

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## Key Dates

<b>14 Dec 2020</b>	Children bring Christmas cards to school
<b>14 Dec 2020</b>	Week 1 lunch option
<b>17 Dec 2020</b>	HSPA Christmas Jumper Day and Festive Arts and Crafts
<b>17 Dec 2020</b>	Christmas Lunch
<b>18 Dec 2020</b>	Christmas cards are circulated at school
<b>18 Dec 2020</b>	End of Term – early finish; Year 6 @ 12:50, Year 5 @ 1:00, Year 4 @ 1:10, Year 3 @ 1:20
<b>21 Dec 2020</b>	Christmas Holiday
<b>4 Jan 2021</b>	INSET Day
<b>15 Feb 2020</b>	Spring Half Term
<b>22 Feb 2021</b>	INSET Day
<b>2 Apr 2020</b>	Easter Holiday
<b>31 May 2020</b>	Summer Half Term
<b>26 Jul 2020</b>	Summer Holidays