



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 10th February 2022

Year 4 have had a very busy couple of weeks!

They have had a music specialist in to teach them how to play the Ukulele, including learning the song "You are my sunshine" - it was lovely to hear the children singing along too. The children showed great knowledge of how to play, the notes and the parts of the Ukulele.

We have also been learning all about sustainability and being environmentally friendly as our topic. As part of our PSHE, the classes went to different parts around the school with the litter pickers and collected as much as they could. We managed to fill multiple black bin bags worth of rubbish, including bottles, wrappers and even an old, deflated football! The children showed such enthusiasm, and many commented that this is something they would like to do outside of school too, and we look forward to hearing the different places they go and items they find.

Learning Consultations

Please remember that learning consultations take place on Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 February. If you have not already booked an appointment then please do so via our online booking system. Read more about learning consultation and access the booking system [via our website](#).

1 Minute Maths



Have you heard about 1 Minute Maths?

Designed for use both in class and at home, 1-Minute Maths app helps children build greater number confidence and fluency.

It's all about targeted practice in engaging, one-minute chunks!

We have added 1 Minute Maths to our school iPads for children to use while they are at school.

It's a free app that you can use with your child at home – [find out more on the White Rose Maths website](#).

Governor News

We held a full governor meeting this week, covering a wide range of topics but with a particular focus on the progress being made across all the curriculum subjects. It is great to hear about the wide range of subjects that are being provided in class and we know that the children have benefitted hugely from this variety.

It was a virtual meeting on Tuesday evening but the Governors have been attending meetings in school during this term. We have adopted a hybrid model that is improving efficiency whilst also maintaining a physical presence in school. The Governor visits in school provide an excellent opportunity to stay connected to the staff, see the school in operation and witness all the positive activities that are taking place.

Reading Rockets Basketball Team - Miss Smith

Over the last term, many of the children have been enjoying playing basketball at lunchtime. One of our Lunchtime Supervisors, Mrs Bone, has been keen to encourage as much active play at lunchtimes as possible and sets up a variety of play equipment for the children every day. Mrs Bone was very keen to give the children playing basketball an opportunity to learn the rules of basketball and become inspired by professional basketball players. With help from one of our parents, Mrs Dawson, we have managed to get a coach from the Reading Rockets basketball team to come and deliver workshops to all the children in the school next term, as well as supporting the keen basketball players at lunchtime on the days he is in school. They are also trying to organise a player to come and meet the children. This will be a fantastic experience for all the children and will hopefully inspire some basketball players of the future!

A big thank you to Mrs Bone and Mrs Dawson.

You can find out more about the Reading Rockets by visiting [the Reading Rockets website](#).

Young Writers

If your child was a Young Writers competition winner, please remember that permission must be granted by a parent in order to re-print their work. If you have been asked to provide permission for your child's work to be included in the Young Writers publication, you must grant permission by 25 February.

Tesco Community Grant for Hook Junior School

We have applied for a Tesco community grant for us to develop a new planting and growing area for pupils. Our aim is to develop a well-resourced outdoor gardening space for children to plant and grow their own produce with sensory planting to introduce new smells, taste, texture and colour. Please consider voting for Hook Junior School if you receive a token when shopping at the Hook store. In store voting is open until 31 March 2022.

Stars of the Week

Year 3: Seb H, Ivy HG, Isis B, Cobi J

Year 4: Evie J, Isla H, Mary-Ann V, Mickey T

Year 5: Tom L, William M, Ava B, Florence G, Zachary S, Issy W

Year 6: Lauren H, Hugh S, Maisie D, Laila W

House Points this week

Austen	176
Brunel	142
Nightingale	176
Wellington	153

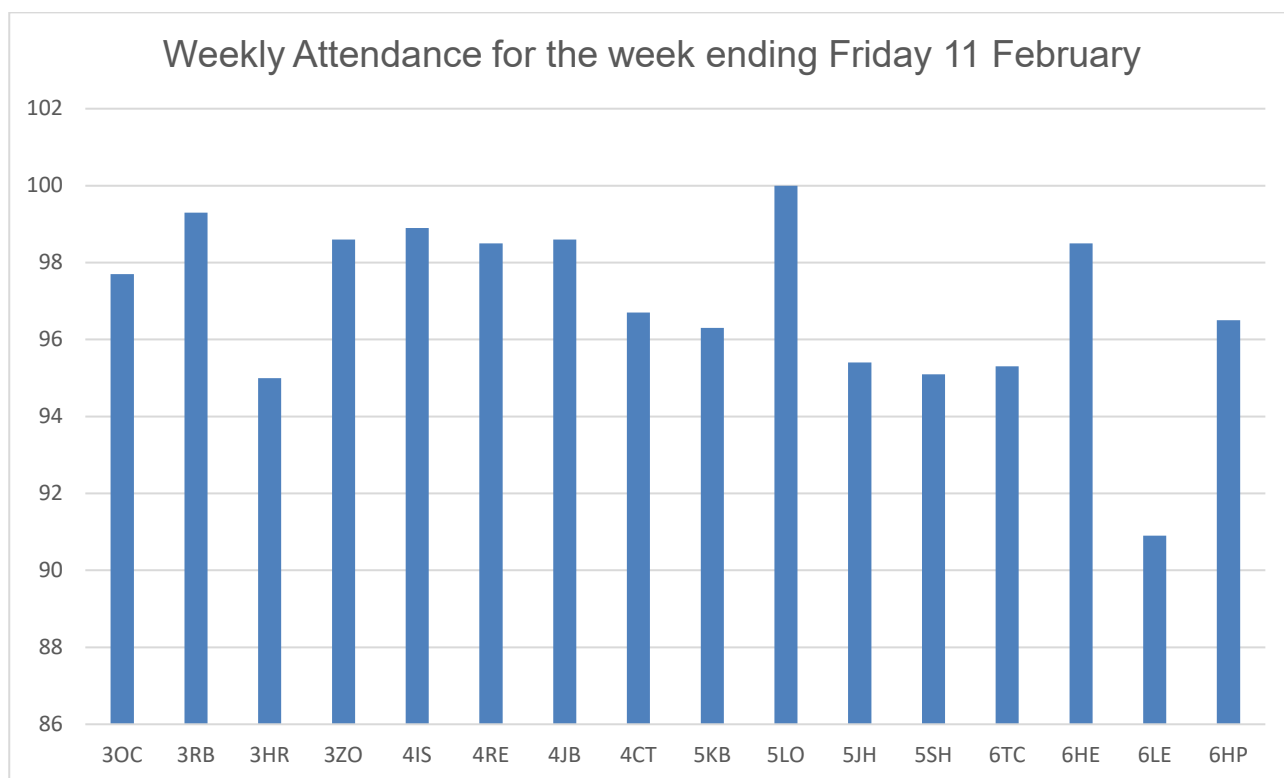
House point winners this week: Austen and Nightingale

Reading classes of the week: 3OC and 5KB

Reading Raffle Winner: Gigi B

Attendance This Week

Every day counts... Your child's attendance matters!



Overall attendance this week: 97%

Find out more...

Follow [@hookjunior on Twitter](#) and [visit our Facebook page](#) for more updates and photos.

Key Dates

18 Feb	Last day of half term - 3:20 finish
21 Feb	Spring Half Term Week
28 Feb	INSET Day
1 Mar	Spring Term 2 – back to school
3 Mar	World Book Day
03 Mar	HSCA Bag2school
19 Mar	HSCA Beer Festival
21 Mar	Year 3 Iron Age Workshop
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22 Mar	HSCA Mothers Day Sale
24 Mar	HSCA Mothers Day Sale
4 Apr	Life Education Wessex LifeBus visits for the week
8 Apr	End of term – 1:30 finish
11 Apr	Easter Break
25 Apr	Summer Term – back to school
27 Apr	Happy's Circus
28 Apr	Happy's Circus
19 May	Class Photos
23 May	Year 3 Roman Workshop
30 May	Summer Half Term Week
8 Jun	HSCA Bag2School
25 Jun	HSCA Gin Festival
11 Jul	Year 6 Residential trip to PGL Marchants Hill
16 Jul	HSCA Summer Fair
21 Jul	End of term – 1:30 finish



FREE

ANIMAL & WILDLIFE HALF TERM FUN



**Wednesday 23rd of
February 2022 11am - 4pm**
**Hook Community Centre,
Ravenscroft, RG27 9NN**



- **Come along to :**
- Meet all the animals from Mill Cottage Farm
- Make mini willow sculptures with Special Branch
- Plus meet reptiles & other animals with One World Animals (session tickets £3 per child, with one accompanying adult). Booking is advised

Organisations such as Guide Dogs, Hook in Bloom, Hart Rangers & Wildlife Trust. Refreshments will be sold to raise money for The Base Youth Centre - We hope you support them.

**To book session tickets please go to
thelittleboxoffice.com/hookvillagehalls
and for more information on
this event please contact
enquiries@hookvillagehalls.org.uk.**

Make a date whatever the weather. Again we are able to put the event on thanks to the support from Hook Parish Council & Jonathan Glen's HCC devolved budget.



In the event of unforeseen circumstances, Hook Village Halls Charitable Association reserves the right to alter or cancel any of the above events. E&OE

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**Hampshire
County Council**



Join in a fun-filled
village celebration of
love & Burns night
in the Elizabeth Hall
RG27 9HH



Saturday 5th of
February 2022
7.30 pm for
8 pm

VALENTINES CEILIDH

**Tickets £30pp
to include choice of menu
for your 2 course meal on
booking. Cash Bar.**

**A lively village gathering in the Elizabeth Hall to
celebrate Burns night & love. Enjoy a memorable
evening hosted by Jonathan & Sharon Glen.**

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