



HOOK NORTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

LIVE, LOVE, CARE, THINK, LEARN, DARE
Love your neighbour as yourself (Matthew 22:39)

**School Newsletter;
17th October 2025**

Weekly School Attendance: 96.07%

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Key diary dates

Thursday 23rd October—Flu Immunisations for Reception—Y6.

Friday 24th October—Last day of term

Monday 3rd November—INSET day

Tuesday 4th November—Children back to school

Tuesday 4th November—Parents/Carers evening Yr 1—6 at 5.00—7.30pm
Parents /Carers evening Reception at 3.30—5.30pm

Yr 7 School Applications now open: <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/schools/apply-school-place/year-7-applications>

Deadline to submit your application is 31st October.

A message from the Head Teacher

This week I had the enormous pleasure of accompanying our Boccia Teams to a partnership tournament at Chipping Norton School. The children were all fantastic and we had a lot of fun, one team finishing in first place. It is thanks to Mrs Voce that our partnership involvement is so successful as she has championed it over many years.

As promised I turned my hand to making a welly rack – here is the result! We are getting ready to be able to use all of our school grounds over the winter so will be asking children to bring in wellies once we have enough storage for them. Donations of scrap wood to make more racks will be very gratefully received. Or why not have a go at making one for us!



Staffing

I sent an email to the Year Six parents earlier today to inform them that Ms Quartermain will be leaving us at Christmas. She has been with us for many years and has now been offered an amazing Key Stage Three opportunity at another school. This is excellent career progression for her but she will be very much missed at Hook Norton. We wish her all continuing success as she moves on.

Huge Hook Norton Well Dones!

KS2 Children: Lacey Robertson, Francesca Farmiloe, Jaiden Smith, Oceana Foster, Samuel Elkabir, Erin Parker, Monty Barrett, Jake Chilton, Penelope Jacob & Aisling Mates

KS1 Children: Max Hendry, Kit Squire-Farnell, Iris Perkins & Isabella Hendry



Caught being **KIND!**

Teddy Bingham, Arthur Riordan,
Lachie Harrison, Aurelia Vint, Betty Kershaw
& Savannah Morgan

Hooky Neighbours Pantry is on this Saturday, 18th October at the School from 10.00 till 12.00pm. If you are struggling please come along and grab some food bags and hygiene supplies. A warm welcome awaits with a free cuppa and a piece of cake. We offer a listening ear and offer support and advice for anyone who needs it.

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Life in Early Years this week

Nursery We've had a fun-filled week in nursery! The children have been busy going on dinosaur hunts around the classroom and searching for Percy the Park Keeper's animal friends in the nursery and reception garden. We've enjoyed sharing stories, snacks, and building houses together—lots of great teamwork and imagination on display! Thank you to everyone who has sent a family photo for our family wall. If you haven't had the chance to send one in yet, please do—we'd love every child to have a picture to share and talk about.

Reception have been enjoying the Autumn already, playing with leaves building big piles and jumping in them! We learning to subitise; that means instead of counting up to six objects we have been spotting sets. So a bit like when we see spots on a dice after a while we no longer count them, we recognise the pattern.



Life in KS1 this week

We have learnt about black scientists who worked as palaeontologists as part of Black History Month. We also answered our Big Question by deciding if a dinosaur would make a good pet and completing our science assessment. In English we have completed our own Troll Swap stories that our teachers are enjoying reading. We have made so much progress with our writing!

Life in Lower KS2 this week

This week, we have written wonderfully descriptive diary extracts about arriving in England from Trinidad, based on the book 'Coming to England' and considering how it would have felt to travel all that way to start a new life in this country. In our Big Question work, we have been using four-digit grid references to locate and describe places on a map and have created our own treasure maps using these.

Life in Upper KS2 this week

A busy week in year 5/6. We loved our Globe theatre exhibition morning. We were all amazed at the amazing models that we all made and loved sharing them. We have continued our work on Tudors and created some wonderful portraits. We have also started our Xmas production rehearsals which we are so excited for!



School Games ~ CNPS Bocci Tournament ~ Mrs Voce

We had another excellent team representation at this week's partnership Bocci event. Boccia is an inclusive game very similar to boule that you may play on the beach. It is played from a seated position in a team of three and you each throw two balls, trying to get the closest to the Jack. Our Year 6 team represented us fantastically, they were polite, friendly and showed excellent team spirit. We came away with third and first place overall from the twelve teams. This means our winning team has qualified for the West Oxfordshire district finals later in the year. Well done!



SPORTS KIT SPONSORSHIP

We are looking for sponsorship for our school team sports kit. These would be for the children to borrow and wear when they participate in competitive events, mostly through our Chipping Norton Partnership. We currently have several small kits we have collected from free promotions/been donated over a year but often have the girls/boys teams wearing different colours.

We would like to purchase new kits with our new logo and enough sets that all teams could be wearing the same, smart kit at these events and clearly represent our school. The cost of a set of 30 new shirts would be £500, shirts and shorts would be £650 and shirts, shorts and socks would be £800.

Do you own or work for a business who may have some funding to donate to a local cause? We would be able to add a sponsorship logo to the kit if required. If you or someone you know would be able to help with a donation for all or part of the kit please get in touch with Mrs Voce at ewol9158@hook-norton.oxon.sch.uk Thank you

FOHNS'
end of 1/2 term
Bake Sale
in the playground
at school pick up
Friday 24th October

**FOR FRIDAY MORNING
WE NEED YOUR HELP!
PLEASE DONATE BAKED GOODS
AT DROP OFF
NO NUTS! PLEASE LABEL ANY GLUTEN
/ ALLERGY FREE**

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**FRIDAY AT 3PM
COME TO BUY SOMETHING YUMMY!
PLEASE BRING EXACT CASH IF
POSSIBLE. IF NOT CARD MACHINES
ARE AVAILABLE.
ALL ITEMS WILL BE £1**

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**All Proceeds to Support
the new Opal play scheme**

WANTED

We are in need to shin pads and goalie gloves. If you have any spares and you are able to donate them, please hand them to Mrs Voce.

Thanks!

Owl Values:

*This half term our Owl Value is **Live**: You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures for evermore. Psalm 16:11*



Booking closes
9 November or until
spaces last!

Friends of Hook Norton School
invites you to our

5th ANNUAL
FESTIVE
WREATH MAKING
WORKSHOP

£45 with mulled wine & mince pies

Friday 28th of November

7:30 - 10 pm
St. Peter's Church
Hook Norton

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STAY AND PLAY



Come and join us

Friday mornings 9.30-11.30 term time

**For parents, grandparents and carers
with preschool children and babies**

- All welcome -

Toys, refreshments, friendly company

Hook Norton Baptist Church Hall,
Netting Street, Hook Norton, OX15 5NJ