



**HOOK NORTON**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

**School Newsletter;  
28th November 2025**

Weekly School Attendance: 93.33%

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### Key diary dates

**Monday 1st December**—Final Magical Maths and Colouring club (*all other clubs have finished*)

**Monday 1st December**—Y5/6 Christmas Production, 6pm

**Tuesday 2nd December**—Y5/6 Christmas Production, 6pm

**Monday 8th December**—Community Tea Party

**Tuesday 9th December**—KS1 Christmas Production, 2pm

**Wednesday 10th December**—KS1 Christmas Production, 6pm

**Friday 12th December**—Reception Class Sing-a-Long, 2.40pm

**Wednesday 17th December**—Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day

**Thursday 18th December**—Christmas Service in Church, 09.45am

**Friday 19th December**—Last day of term, 1.30pm finish (Owl club available until 4.30pm)

**15th January 2026**—Reception admissions application deadline

### A message from the Head Teacher

Another exciting week has flown past in school and the corridors have been ringing with practising songs of various kinds. We are definitely ready for the festive season to begin.

The wellies at lunchtime are continuing to be a great success and children have been making camps in the tree belt and collecting the conkers that mysteriously appeared one day! (Thank you for those donations!).

Opal Play training has now been rolled out to all staff and we will be starting to collect up materials in earnest once we have some storage. I will send out a list to the whole school community, as mentioned before, of items that we can put to good use.

The time of plays and productions begins next week so keep an eye on reminders of dates and have a restful weekend before the countdown to Christmas (there - I've said it), begins!



### Huge Hook Norton Well Dones!

**KS2 Children:** Mabel Edwards, Hattie MacLauchlan, Charlotte Stevens, Mia Jones, Mally Huckin, Kahlia Heatherley, All of Year 6, Jack Adkins & Genie Hollingdale

**KS1 Children:** Oscar Lock, Ronnie Brazer, Mimi Neale, Harvey Dedja & Freddie Sharp



### Caught being **KIND!**

Emily Hunter, Thea Patterson, Ru Vint, James Lawrence, Sasha Tokarev, Georgina Curry, April Stubbs & Alice Houseman

### School Games ~ CNPS Athletics ~ Mrs Crouch

This week I had the pleasure of taking some Year 5 and 6 pupils to the Sports Hall Athletics competition at Chipping Norton School. There were about 40 of us and when we got there we were split into teams alongside other children from the schools in the partnership. We had a friendly competition of obstacle races and the team that won the whole competition – Team RESPECT - were given a medal. We got to know some children that we might be at secondary school with, so that was a bonus!

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Hollingdal, Mrs Devin and Mrs Johnson for coming along to help. We had a great time!



### Life in Early Years this week

**Nursery** have been busy practicing singing away in a manger. The children have wrapped parcels for our classroom post office, and we have been working on zipping up our coats to keep warm outside. We made silver bell decorations for the Christmas trees outside the front of the school.

**Reception** have been enjoying playing in their post office making letters and reading all about The Jolly Postman who visits many other characters from various other books. Next week we will be making gingerbread men and need parents to donate ingredients. Please sign up for your donation on the list outside of the classroom. Thanks!



### Life in KS1 this week

What a week of singing, dance, drama and music! Alongside our English and Maths, we have been working hard on our performance skills for our production of Prickly Hay. Keep practising those lines and lyrics at home. Remember that a crèche is available and you can book this online by [clicking here](#).

We have also found time to write a postcard from Kenya and learn about the features of a Kenyan town.

### **Hook Norton Primary School ~ Key Stage 1**

would like to invite the senior community members to our Christmas production **Prickly Hay** dress rehearsal

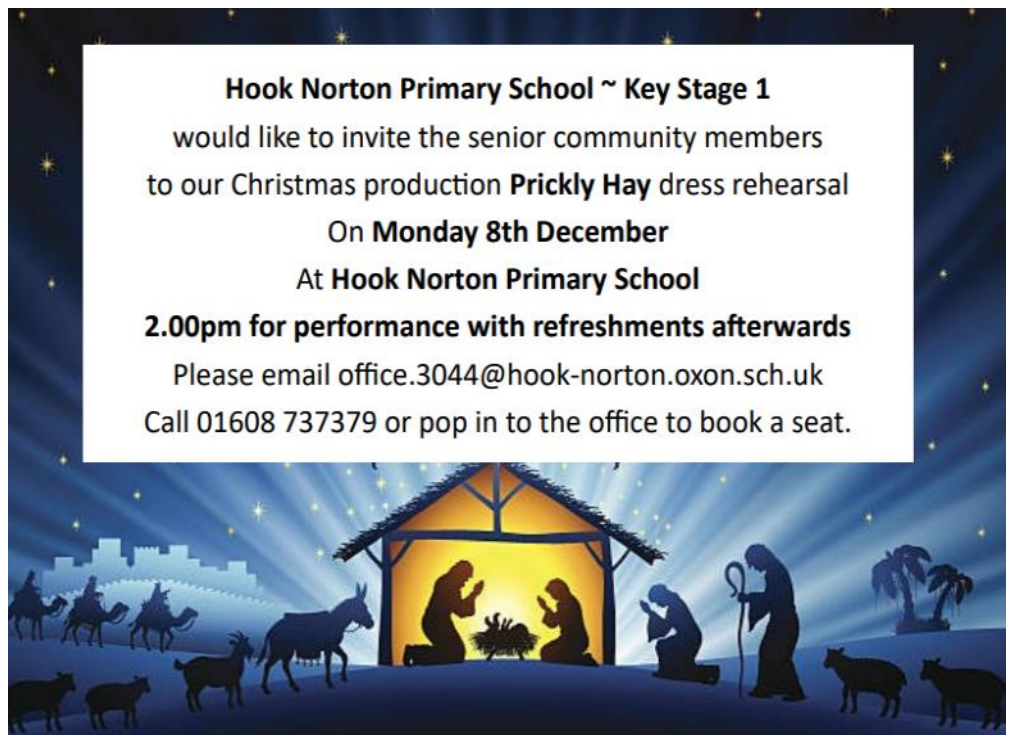
On **Monday 8th December**

At **Hook Norton Primary School**

**2.00pm for performance with refreshments afterwards**

Please email [office.3044@hook-norton.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3044@hook-norton.oxon.sch.uk)

Call 01608 737379 or pop in to the office to book a seat.



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### Life in Lower KS2 this week

This week, we wrote simile poems about 'loneliness' and 'hope' in response to our class text, 'Nen and the lonely fisherman'. The Teachers were blown away with our ideas and great use of language! We also began our new Big Question by looking at the impact that the Romans had on our country by comparing two different 'streets in time'.

### Life in Upper KS2 this week

Everyone has worked incredibly hard this week on final preparations for our Christmas Show, including performing a brilliant dress rehearsal today! Remember that a crèche is available and you can book this online by [clicking here](#).

We have also started our new Big Question all about light and have been making tickets and posters to advertise our play!



### Katharine House Santa Fun Run

A reminder that all children will be participating in the Katharine House Hospice Santa Fun Run in the week beginning 15th December. Thank you to the contributions made so far online, getting us £150 towards our £1000 target. Please share the link to sponsor us with family and friends: [https://www.justgiving.com/page/hnpssanta?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/page/hnpssanta?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL)

### Staffing

Mrs Puttick, who works in Key Stage One as an HLTA is leaving us at Christmas after many years at the school. We will miss her and wish her every blessing as she moves on to pastures new, and thank her for all that she has done in her time here.



### Piano Assembly

On Tuesday 16th December at 9.30, the school will once again host an assembly featuring the budding young pianists taught by Miss Rogers. Parents are very welcome to attend, so please do come along if you can!

**Wanted:** Willow whips to create a willow tunnel for our forest school please.

### Owl Values:

This half term our Owl Value is **Love**: The three most important things to have are Faith, Love and Hope. But the greatest of them is love. 1 Corinthians 13:13

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# COLLECTING FOR OUR CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER



5 DECEMBER, BRING NUT FREE BAKED GOODS TO  
DROP OFF AND LABEL IF THERE ARE ANY DIETARY  
EXCEPTIONS! SEE YOU AFTER SCHOOL FOR RAFFLE  
AND SINGING... AND YUMMY TREATS!