



HOOK NORTON
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

**School Newsletter;
06th February 2026**

Weekly School Attendance: 95.88%

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Key diary dates

- 11th February**—National Child Measurement Programme (Reception and Year 6 only)
- 13th February**—End of Term
- 23rd February**—School starts for all year groups
- 4th & 10th March**—Parents/Carers Evenings (*Please note change of dates*)
- 17th March**—Parents/Carers Evening for Tawny Owls (*instead of the 10th*)
- 28th February**—FOHNS Jumble Sale 2-4pm

SAVE THE DATE—20th June FOHNS Summer Fete

A message from the Head Teacher—Attendance

This week I thought I would say something about attendance. At our school, we know that great learning starts with being here—and being on time. Children thrive when they have a predictable routine, can build secure connections with adults and other children, and have access to the small, everyday moments within class that build their confidence and curiosity. That's why good attendance is one of the most important ways families can support their child's education.

Attendance at school is so important because even missing one lesson can mean children miss key building blocks that help them progress. We find that children who attend regularly feel more settled, secure, and ready to learn, and are more able to form lasting friendships and feel part of the class community. We also know that establishing good habits of attendance sets a strong foundation for future schooling and life beyond the classroom.

Of course we do not want children to come to school if they are poorly, and will always contact you if a child becomes ill at school and needs to return home. Well done to all those who soldier on with a mild illness and do not let it prevent their attendance, they invariably feel better once they get to school.

Huge Hook Norton Well Dones!

KS2 Children: Jack Adkins, Max Newnham, Isla Brazer, Evangeline Murray, Taylor Robertson, Jake Chilton, Louis Tofield-Jeal, Jaiden Smith, Tony White & Conrad Green

KS1 Children: Rowan Syrett-Sprules, Ivy Middleton, Millie Jennings (apologies for the wrong surname last week!), Elodie Sabin, Patrick Swanson, Elsie Bentley & Lily Howes



Caught being **KIND!**

Emma Cassell, Abigail Croucamp, Leila Martin, Eli Davis, Ailsa Duff, Taylor Robertson, Hadley Price & Austin Butler

Life in Early Years this week

Nursery have been celebrating Children's Mental Health Week. We explored The Colour Monster by Anna Llenas, learning about different emotions, and enjoyed taking part in calming Corefulness movement activities throughout the week.

Reception have been learning about nocturnal animals that come out at night and especially enjoyed making bats! In maths we have been beginning to understand the composition of numbers from 6 to 10 and that they are made up of smaller numbers. Next week we will be making pancakes! Please keep an eye out for the list of ingredients that we require donations of. *Thanks*



Life in KS1 this week

We have finished our Big Question by writing our own information book called 'How Can You Keep Healthy?' We have tried to show everything we have learnt about keeping healthy. In our English we have imagined that we are George travelling in the Dragon Machine. We wrote a diary in the past tense, using the -ed suffix, along with and, because and when to extend our sentences.

Life in Lower KS2 this week

We have conducted a science experiment to find out which liquids are bad for our teeth. We set up a fair test using eggs and a variety of liquids and made our predictions – we are now eager to observe the eggs each day to see what has happened...there are changes already! We have also started to think about the staging for our show – please help us to learn our song words and acting lines (Year 4) over the next few weeks.

Life in Upper KS2 this week

Year 5 continued our Electricity big question and tested out circuits using a range of components and learnt all about the history of electricity, including; Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Edison and Lewis Latimer. In English we have written excellent newspaper reports about the missing boy from The Selfish Giant. In PE we have continued our work on Gymnastics using a range of apparatus.

Year 6 have been preparing for our SATs, which take place in May, by completing some practice papers. We also started our Big Question topic about electricity, using symbols to draw circuits and making our own circuits using a range of components. We completed our topographical maps by painting them and adding a key.

Breakfast Club bookings—Reminder

If you have booked your child into breakfast club and would like them to eat breakfast, please ensure that they arrive before 08.15am. This allows time for breakfast to be served, eaten and cleared away before the beginning of school. Thank you.

Owl Values:

*This half term our Owl Value is **Care**: For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in. Matthew 25:35*