



**HOOK NORTON**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

School Newsletter;

8th May 2026

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### Key diary dates

- 11th May**—Yr6 Assessments all week finishing Thursday
- 22nd May**—End of Term, ***Non-Uniform Day*** (see poster at end of Newsletter)
- 22nd May** – Warriner Visiting Y6 Children
- 1st June** – INSET DAY (School closed)
- 2nd June** – School re-opens for ALL year groups
- 3rd June** – Vision Screening (Reception only)

*\*Please note change of time for FOHNS Summer Fete 20th June at 12-3pm*

### Weekly School Attendance 96.04%

*Another good week for attendance everyone. Well done!*

### A message from the Head Teacher

We hope you all had a good long weekend, the children have been continuing with their learning in our shorter week, see the year groups sections for some of the highlights.

Mrs Voce was very proud to take children to the Tennis Festival at Chipping Norton School this week in their new sports kit - they looked exceptionally smart thanks to Heath Home Improvements and the Sports and Social club!

We continue to develop our OPAL play using large loose parts, and the children are very much enjoying learning how to play with non-standard materials and using their imagination. I thought you might enjoy these photos of children having fun in the sunshine!



### Huge Hook Norton Well Dones!

**KS2 Children:** Eli Davies, Sarah Cassell, Florence Newnham, Joshua Reynolds, Charlotte Stevens, Bea Farlmiloe, Mabel Edwards, Macie Neal, Kobi Workman & Sebbi Andrew

**KS1 Children:** Iris Perkins, Oliver Dyke, Lorcan O'Sullivan, Eva Patel, Demetri Kostov & Bella Newnum



### Caught being **KIND!**

Freddie Sharp, Eliza Frame, Rafe Papenfus, Mila Dunkley, Hadley Price, Bea Farmiloe, Luke Ellard & Kit Squire-Farnell

*Please can we remind you not to park on the yellow zig-zags outside of the school. Yellow zig-zag lines on UK roads prohibit stopping, waiting or parking to ensure safety and visibility. This is hugely important outside of school where young children are crossing the road. We'd all hate for there to be an avoidable accident.*

*Thank you for your co-operation in keeping your children safe.*

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## Life in Early Years this week

**Nursery** have been thinking about ways we can be kind to each other through the story of The Rainbow Fish. The children have been very creative with their junk modelling. If you have any spare small boxes or cylinders at home that could be used for modelling, please send them into Nursery.

**Reception** have had spells and magic galore this week from Freddy and his fairy to rainbow bubbles. We have been using nature's garden to make magic wands and telling stories.



## Life in Lower KS2 this week

This week we have had great fun exploring natural materials to create artwork in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. In Computing we have been writing our own code snippets to create shapes and make our own designs using Turtle Logo. In music we have been learning about the Pentatonic Scale and are starting to compose our own pieces using these.



## Life in Upper KS2 this week

**Year 5** have written explanation texts on the pros and cons of plastic useage and what we can do to reduce our plastic waste. In Big Question we have been looking at the importance of our diet and exercising on keeping us fit and healthy! In PE we have continued our work on cricket and tennis.

**Year 6** have been learning about how our lifestyle choices and diet can affect our bodies, as well as the impact that drugs and alcohol can have on our health and wellbeing. We have worked with great determination and resilience to complete our SATs preparation and are feeling ready to tackle the tests next week. Alongside our hard work in the classroom, we have also enjoyed spending time outdoors, developing our teamwork and sporting skills through tennis and rounders.

## Life in KS1 this week

This week our Big Question work has moved onto a Design and Technology focus. We learnt all about Punch and Judy shows which have been a seaside staple since Victorian times, then we explored different types of puppets. Following this we experimented to learn about the best ways to join different things to fabric including glue stick, PVA glue, glue gun and sewing. We practiced on a sock and had varying degrees of success in making a sock puppet to take home. **HELP NEEDED ~ We are looking for help on a Mon, Tues and Thurs afternoon for the next two weeks.** Please let us know if you can help via this link [Volunteering DT 2026 – Fill out form](#) We only have a couple of volunteers so far and have 76 puppets to make so any willing pair of hands welcome. Please do share with family/friends who may be able to help. Thank you!



## School Games~ CNPS Tennis Festival Year 3 ~ Mrs Voce

This week it was the chance for Year 3 to visit Chipping Norton School to take part in a Tennis Festival. There were so many children interested that we had to draw names from a hat to select the 14 who got to go. We wore the new sports kits which we are so grateful for, donated by Heath Hoe Improvements and Hook Norton Harriers. The children looked so smart and a big thank you to parents who have followed the washing instructions very carefully to get them back to me looking pristine and ready for the next team to wear! A huge thank you as well to Robyn Wise and Candice Hinds-George who accompanied us, we cannot do these visits without help like this. The children had a fantastic time working around 10 different activities developing our tennis skills and we were definitely more skilled by the end of the afternoon! The session was run by Excel Tennis Academy who run junior lessons at Chipping Norton, more details on their website if you are interested ~ <https://www.exceltennisacademy.co.uk/juniorcoachinginchippingnorton>



**Quiz Night** @ Sports and Social on Friday 15th May, from 7:30pm

Please come along and support Katharine House Hospice Great Wall of China Trek.

Kevin Hope will be running a fun, general knowledge quiz

£12 includes cheese, dips and crisps

### Owl Values:

This half term our Owl Value is **Learn**: Let the wise listen and add to their learning and let those with understanding attain guidance. Proverbs 1:5

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# **BRING A BOTTLE**

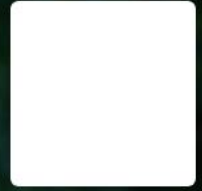
## **FOR NON- UNIFORM DAY!**

**In aid of the Summer Fete Bottle Tombola**

**Donations are optional but we would love anything from a bottle of bubbles, to bubble bath, beer, wine, or a delicious summer drink! Please wear sensible shoes to bring those bottles to us too!**



# **22 MAY**



CHIPPING NORTON RFC

26.05.26  
AGES 4-16

# RUGBY CAMP

Chipping Norton Rugby Club are holding a one day camp open to all, no need to be a member, during May Half term. This is for children ages 4—15 years old. Please book via: <https://www.universe.com/users/kingsholm-stadium-gloucester-rugby-and-gloucester-rugby-foundation>

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