

Hook CE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Can you believe we have been back at school for nearly a month already? We are very proud of the way children have settled back into school, the atmosphere is calm and lots of learning is underway!

Celebrations

Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM) Award

Miss Farthing, who is our Science Co-ordinator, worked hard last year in showcasing the work we do in the Science part of the curriculum in order to apply for the PSQM Award.

The PSQM Awards celebrate schools that demonstrate a commitment to excellence in science leadership, teaching and learning. It ensures teachers have the knowledge, capability and support they need to give our children the best start to understanding science in the world around them.

We are thrilled to have been granted the award and incredibly proud to have the significant work we put into the science part of our curriculum recognised.



Tesco Stronger Starts In-Store Vote

We recently applied to Tesco to take part in their Stronger Starts In-Store vote. If you shop at Tesco, you may be familiar with the tokens you receive on check out to put into the cause of your choice. The cause with the most tokens wins £1,500 towards their project, with second and third prizes of £1,000 and £500.

We are so excited to have been selected, as this will help us provide opportunities to learn vital physical and social skills through play, such as water and mud areas, tunnels and places to climb and places for den building for our children.

Therefore, we would ask if you, your friends and family shop in either of the Tesco store on Boothferry Road or Rutland Road to keep your eyes peeled and please support our worthy project with your votes! To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.

Good Work Assembly September 2023

Every month, we hope to show you photos of the children who have been selected for their super work during the week. Here are the Good Work Assembly winners for September.



School Council

Our school council has been elected for this school year, and we look forward to working with them to take forward ideas from all our children regarding improvements and things they'd like to see in school.



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Sports

GASP Cross Country – Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

A number of children went to Delta Academy on Tuesday to take part in the local schools' Cross Country competition. We were blown away with the sportsmanship of our children and were so proud of them to be representing our school. We are excited to let you know that 7 of our children qualified for the next round with the following results:-

Year 3 & 4 Girls Group: 2nd and 3rd place overall

Year 3 & 4 Boys Group: 1st and 7th place overall

Year 5 & 6 Girls Group: 1st and 5th place overall

Year 5 & 6 Boys Group: 8th place over all

I'm sure you'll join with me in wishing them the best of luck for the next stage.

Upcoming GASP Events

3rd October – Boys' Football

10th October – Olive Hunt Netball competition

Invites will come out before the event for children selected to represent the school in the above competitions.

Community News

Scarecrow Festival

We have seen lots of scarecrows pop up in the village for Hook Celebration Group's scarecrow festival, including Step Up's Barbie on the school fence! The theme is Childhood Memories with prizes for the top three entries before 1st October.

St Mary's Church Harvest Festival & Supper

St Mary's Church will be holding their Harvest Festival Service and Supper on Thursday 5th October at 7pm, with tickets for the supper at Heppy's for £6 from Mr Jessop (07725 075699/peterjessop1@btinternet.com).

Harry Potter Book Night

Our local libraries are holding Harry Potter Book Nights. Whether you're a die-hard fan or just discovering the magic for the first time, Harry Potter Book Night is an event you won't want to miss. Grab your cloak, hop on the Hogwarts Express, and get ready for an hour of enchanting activities!

Booking Essential and can be done through the following link: <https://orlo.uk/Q5Q5X>

The times are as follows:-

Snaith Library – Tuesday 10 October at 4.30pm

Howden Library – Wednesday 11 October 5.30pm

Goole Library – Thursday 12 October 6pm

Parking

Unfortunately, in spite of numerous reminders sent out by school and the road markings being repainted clearly by the Council, it would seem there are still people persisting in parking in restricted areas in front of school and around/on the mini-roundabout. We have had complaints of cars parked on the yellow lines and vans in the corner next to the mini roundabout in front of Clayfield Close. This is especially frustrating when there are spaces available to safely park further up Garth Lane and High Street, now that it has been reopened.

We must stress that this is causing significant issues for cars turning and obstructing visibility for children crossing the roads safely and ask you to **please** not park on the yellow markings or areas around the mini roundabout at drop-off and pick-up time.

As mentioned previously, we are looking at setting up a Parent Action Group in relation to these issues and would welcome any suggestions to help keep our children safe on their way to and from school.

Upcoming School Events

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival Service will be led by Class 1, and will take place on Thursday 5th October at St Mary's Church. Class 1 parents are invited to watch from 10:45am.

We will be collecting tinned and or dried food donations from children in their classrooms and they will carry it to church for the service. The donations will be distributed to local charities.

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Flu Vaccination

The NHS immunisation team will be in school on Thursday 12th October. You will have received a link from them which will ask you to confirm whether or not you wish your child to have the vaccination, so please confirm either way via the link. The vaccination roll out and responses go directly to the NHS Team, so please direct any queries you may have about the immunisation programme to them.

School Photos

Tempest will be in school on Tuesday 17 October to take individual school photos. We will also arrange for joint photos to be taken for any siblings within school, and you are welcome to bring any preschool age younger siblings to the hall from 8:30am before school to have them included in a sibling photo. You will be able to order photos directly from Tempest, details of how to do this will be sent to you with your proofs.

Parents' Evening & SEN Reviews

As a reminder for your diaries, SEN Reviews will be held the week commencing the 23rd October and a face-to-face Parents' Evening will be held on Wednesday 25th October. Details about how to book your appointment slot will be sent closer to the time.

PE Kits & Water Bottles

As you will know, we ask that all children leave a PE kit in school and a water bottle be brought each day. If your child needs to borrow a water bottle or PE kit from school, you'll get a text message regarding this. We have school friendly water bottles available to purchase for £1.50.

Unnamed Uniform

We are already gathering a small collection of unnamed jumpers and cardigans that have been left around the school grounds. We have tried to find their owners, but they are so far unclaimed. If you know your child is missing a jumper or cardigan you are welcome to come and check if we might have theirs.

If you have queries about any of the above, please don't hesitate to ask us.

Kind regards

Caroline Ainley
Headteacher