

Hook CE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

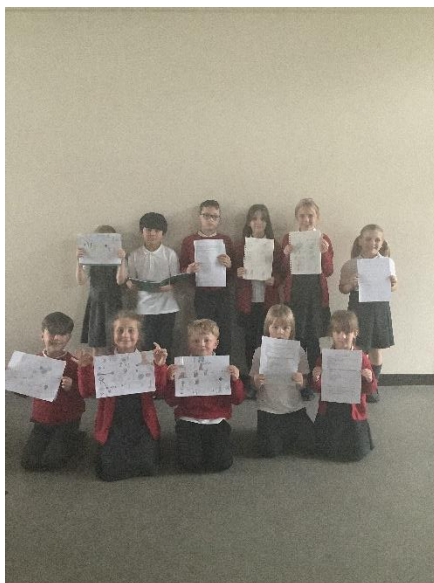
OCTOBER ROUND UP

What a busy first half term back! The children really have settled into their new classes exceptionally well and I am delighted at some of the excellent work being produced as they become engaged with the class topics.

Celebrations

Good Work Assemblies October 2023

Every month we hope to show you photos of children who were selected during the month for special recognition of some excellent work they have completed. Here are the Good Work Assembly Winners for October.



Merit Awards

Every week, children are selected from each class to recognise their exceptional behaviour. Below is a photo of our October Merit Winners.



Class 1's Harvest Festival Service

Class 1 lead our Harvest Festival service at St Mary's Church, and performed the tale of The Enormous Turnip. They did incredibly well and the service was wonderful! All the food donated will go to local charities, thank you so much for your support.



Sports

Boys' Football

Our Year 5 & 6 Boys Football Team took part in the Goole Area Sports Partnership (GASP) competition at Goole Academy. They put on a brilliant show of skill, sportsmanship and really represented our school so well!

Olive Hunt Netball Competition

The Year 5 & 6 Netball Team took part in the annual Olive Hunt Netball Tournament and came away with Bronze! What a super result!

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Girls' Football

Our Year 5/6 girls took part in the GASP Girls' Football tournament. They worked together brilliantly as a team. Unfortunately, we didn't make the top three teams to go through to the next round, but we won a game, lost one and drew the rest. Fantastic job girls!

Community News

Parking

Unfortunately, the situation with traffic and parking is still a problem on Garth Lane in spite of our requests. We have contacted the Council and hope to set up a meeting with a representative from the Highways team together with parents who wish to air their concerns and offer suggestions about how we can keep our children safe on their journeys to and from school. As soon as we hear from the Council to set up a date, we will send out invites.

In the meantime, please be mindful of where you park and keep in mind the restrictions put in place to keep our children safe, and please also mention this to any family members who may collect your children on your behalf.

PTFA Halloween Disco

We really must extend a huge thank you to our PTFA, who once again have pulled out all the stops donating their time, energy and skills to put on a fabulous Halloween disco for the children. Judging by the smiles, the children loved it and the event raised just shy of a whopping **£800**. The PTFA are going to ask for suggestions from the School Council how the funds can be used in school. Thank you once again to the PTFA for your support, it really does mean so much to us.



School Photos - Ordering

School photo proofs have been sent out this week (please check book bags today if you have not yet received them). Orders placed within 2 weeks from today will receive free delivery to school. Details of how to order are on the proof, but if you have any queries about this please don't hesitate to let us know.

Upcoming School Events

Week 6th November – 10th November – All Classes – British Legion Poppy Appeal

We will have a selection of Poppy Appeal items and paper poppies to purchase from the school office. Items are with a suggested donation price as follows:-

Snap Band – £1.50

Silicon Wristband – £1.00

Poppy Reflector – 50p

Zip Pull – 50p

All children will have an opportunity to purchase (on a first-come-first served basis). If you would like your child to purchase something for the Poppy Appeal, please send a small amount of change in a named envelope, wallet or purse.

Tuesday 7th November – Class R – Vision Screening

Hull University NHS Teaching Hospital will be visiting early afternoon to test the vision of our new Class R children.

Wednesday 8th November – Class R – Visit to York Theatre Royal

Class R will be at York Theatre Royal the first Wednesday back to watch *The Stick Man*. Please could Class R parents make sure they have completed the payment, consent and lunch request on Parentpay by Tuesday 7th November.

Wednesday 8th November – Class 1 – Elmer Day

Class 1 will be having an "Elmer Day" with exciting activities linked to the popular book. All Class 1 children are invited to dress in bright clothes and bring along a white t shirt in their size and a washed, plastic milk bottle (with lid).

Friday 10th November – Class 4 – Remembrance Service

Class 4 are practising hard for the Remembrance Service that they will be leading. Class 4 parents are invited to attend to watch this beautiful and poignant service, which will be from 9:30am in the hall.

After the service, one of our parents, Kim Whitfield, will be holding a Macmillan Coffee morning event to raise worthwhile funds for the charity.

Week Commencing 13th November – Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-Bullying week is co-ordinated by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. This year, the theme is 'Make a Noise About Bullying' and will take place from Monday 13th November – Friday 17th November. Further details to follow.

Friday 17th November – All Classes – Children in Need

The ever-popular Children in Need fundraising campaign will be taking place on Friday 17th November. Details of this will follow closer to the date.

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Friday 17th November – Classes 3 & 4 – Visit to Danelaw, Murton Park

Classes 3 & 4 are taking a joint adventure for their school visit to Danelaw at Murton Park. Full details to follow.

Saturday 18th November – PTFA Fundraising Bag Pack at Morrison's

Details to follow.

Tuesday 28th November – Indoor Panathlon

Children selected to represent the school in the Panathlon will be contacted closer to the time about the event.

Friday 1st December – Christingle

Class 6 will be leading our Christingle service this year. Details to follow closer to the time.

Communications from School

We would like to remind parents and clarify how communications are sent out from school.

Email – this is for longer format letters and information.

Scholarpack App – This is for short form reminders and links to consent forms etc. If you have not yet activated Scholarpack or have difficulty getting on and would like help, please let us know. Please make sure notifications are turned on for your phone and the app in order to receive an alert for new messages. Rarely, if a message bounces back from Scholarpack because of internet issues, it will be resent by our system as a SMS text message.

Paper Forms/Letters – we try to avoid sending out paper communications wherever possible as not only does this work out more cost effective for our school but also helps with our initiative towards greener, more environmentally friendly ways of working! However, occasionally we do send out paper copies where unavoidable so please check bookbags regularly.

Dinner Money

We would like to gently remind parents of Class 3, 4, 5 & 6 children who take school dinners to please keep up to date with dinner money payments. It really does help us, as with the amount of children in school it doesn't take much for a significant debt to build up which we then have to carry until it is paid. We would like to avoid potentially causing embarrassment by asking any child with a significant amount of arrears to bring a packed lunch until the arrears are paid for.

We hope you all have a wonderful half term, and look forward to seeing everyone when we reopen on Monday 6th November.

Kindest regards,

Caroline Ainley

Headteacher

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