

**14TH NOVEMBER
2025**



Message from Headteacher

Remembrance Service

We held our annual Remembrance Service in school on 11th November. Your children, as ever, were respectful in honouring the service of men and women of the armed forces. The two minutes silence was observed impeccably by every child from the age of four years old in Reception right up to our oldest learners in Year six.



After learning about the courage of Noel Chavasse VC from Liverpool last year, this year children heard about a brave airman who travelled from Trinidad in the Commonwealth to join the Royal Air Force. Ulric Cross served as a pathfinder in Bomber Command during World War 2. He was recognised with two medals for his courage, skill and tenacity.

Poppy wreaths from each class were received and placed on to our school 'cenotaph' by Lilly and Leon, whose brother (an ex-pupil of our school) is a serving soldier in the British army. On the day of our remembrance service, Seth brought in a picture of his great grandad, who served with the Royal Air Force, and this took pride of place on our cenotaph next to our wreaths.

If any family has connections to the local branch of the Royal British Legion, please can you make enquiries to ensure that our school is included in the wreath laying at the Hoole monument

We always seem to miss out, which is a shame when we are committed to commemorating Armistice Day with such respect in our school. Please let me know if you can supply contact details for relevant individuals who can help me to rectify this issue for next November.

Message from Headteacher

Parent Teacher Association (PTA) – Exciting events & appeal to 5S parents & carers

Our wonderful PTA held their Annual General Meeting on Friday 7th November. I would like to express my gratitude to Katie Milliken and all those who have contributed to the PTA over the last year.

Thank you to all of the parents/carers who have stepped up and taken on new roles and to everyone who has volunteered as a Class Representative.

The only class without a representative is 5S. We need someone to step up and take this on so that information is shared consistently to all classes. If your child is in class 5S and you may be able to help with this, please speak to the school office and we will put you in touch with a PTA representative who can tell you more about this role.

We are planning two exciting events before the end of this term:

Santa Social

An informal after school event where children can book to meet Santa in his grotto and parents/carers can enjoy a social with friends.

From 3.30pm to 5pm on Friday 5th December, families can join us to be entertained by our choir, the recorder group and some special singing guests whilst enjoying some refreshments.

If you or your child would like to share a song or two during this evening, please let me know via the school office.

There is no need to book to attend the Santa Social; simply stay after school and join us for a warm drink and a chat.

Booking for Father Christmas is open now on School Spider.

School Disco

We plan to hold a school disco after school on Wednesday 10th December.

There will be a disco for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and one later for older children in Years 3-6.

Tickets for this will cost £5. This will include a drink and a cookie or similar snack. All dietary requirements will be fully catered for.

In addition, there will be a stall selling sweets and glow wands on the way into the disco on the day.

Further details regarding timings and booking will be sent to families next week.



Message from Headteacher

Own Clothes Day

Children are welcome to come to school in their own clothes on Friday 28th November. All we ask is a donation of gifts (i.e. new toys, toiletries, chocolates or wine) for hampers for our Santa Social raffle.

Thank you in advance for supporting us!

Bikeability

Once again, pupils let their lights shine brightly to impress the Bikeability cycle training instructors.

Over the last two weeks, groups of children have successfully completed the training courses.

The instructors stated that our school is always one of the best they visit, due to their conduct, engagement and attitude to learning.

We are very proud of the comment that was left by the trainers in our Visitors' Book:

“Lovely school, very well organised - children impeccably behaved as always. Very able cyclists with a great ability to action instructions and learn quickly.”



Reception 2026

We have had unprecedented interest in our school for places in Reception in September 2026. Thank you for spreading the word about our work in the local community.

We have further tours for prospective parents/carers but these are filling up fast.

If you know any families who may wish to apply for places for September 2026, please encourage them to contact the school to book on a tour or to make an alternative appointment to come for a visit to see our school in action.

Remaining tour dates are as follows:

Wednesday 19th November 9.30-10.30am

Wednesday 3rd December 9.30-10.30am

Thursday 8th January 9.30-10.30am

Thursday 8th January 1.30-2.30pm

Footwear

Thanks again for your cooperation with footwear in school. We have seen a dramatic improvement in children not wearing brightly coloured trainers or inappropriate shoes since I mentioned this in last week's newsletter.

Thank you for helping us to maintain high standards of uniform and presentation.

Romero Britto Art Challenge

Mrs Elston and the Art ambassadors would like to say a huge thank you to all of those children that contributed to the Britto artwork challenge.

We were blown away by the high quality of the creations. The Art ambassadors got together and chose the artwork that they would like to award special recognition to and celebrated this in Friday's assembly.

Art work will be displayed on our art from the heart wall.



Christmas Decoration Competition



Do you love Christmas crafting? Can you help to make our tree the best in the church? As always, we are taking part in Hamilton Street Methodist Church's tree festival. We need you to make one Christmas tree decoration for our tree! You can make anything you want with any craft resources you already have at home.

All children taking part will be in with the chance of winning a festive prize!

Don't delay...get crafting at home and hand your tree decoration into the school office, clearly labelled with your name and class by Friday 28th November. Mrs Elston and the Art Ambassadors are very excited to see your crafty creations!

Friday Assembly

Parents and carers are invited to Friday Assembly when their child's class is presenting. Please arrive at 2.25pm for a 2.30pm start. If you are able to join us, please refrain from parking in the visitors car park as the gates will close during the assembly.

Date	Class
21st November	Team 1J
28th November	Team 6M
5th December	Team 5S



As you will have seen in last week's newsletter, we have been accredited as a Centre of Financial Excellence by Young Enterprise which recognises the work we do to ensure all children in our school family have a good financial education, preparing them for life beyond school.

Mrs Watling attended the Young Enterprise conference in Manchester earlier this week where she was presented with the award on behalf of the school.

At the conference she was able to talk to other primary schools as well as high schools and specialist schools about our school bank and how it is helping children become responsible citizens with regard to making choices with their money.

If you would like to open a bank account for your child at school, please pop into the school office for an application form.

Reception & Year 1

MATHS WORKSHOP

Learn and Make with Maths!

Join us to learn all about how to help support your Reception or Year 1 child with early methods of Maths!

We will be showing families how we use bead strings to help us with Maths, covering the objectives we have and the strategies we use to help children learn. Take away your creations to use at home!

Book your place on School Spider today!

MONDAY
1ST DECEMBER
3:30-4:30PM



WE RAISED
£330 FOR
Children in Need!

*Thank you all for
your generosity!*





The parents' lottery

Support your school with every ticket

**£25,000
jackpot!**

**Support
our school**



Scan this
QR code and
enter our school
name to join The
Parents Lottery



How does it work?

There will be **guaranteed prizes** up for grabs each week including the chance to win the **£25,000 jackpot!** Keep your eyes on the Friday weekly draw to find out if you'll be a winner this week.



The Parents Lottery is a weekly lottery promoted by Parentkind Enterprises Ltd (PEL Company no :3884281), a wholly owned subsidiary of Parentkind. It is run under our remote operating licence (Licence no: 057904). The Parents Lottery is strictly 18+ only. Playing a lottery is a form of gambling. If you, or someone you know, needs information and/or help with a problem gambling, please call the National Gambling Helpline on 0808 8020 133.

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COMMISSION

LOTTERIES
COUNCIL

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lottery



Following the PTA AGM last week, we are pleased to congratulate and welcome the following volunteers in their new committee roles:

- Chair - Sarah Ennis
- Vice Chair - Victoria Reay
- Treasurer - Katey Massey
- Vice Treasurer- Kara Newton
- Secretary - Laura White
- Vice Secretary - Roxi Beasley

Our new team is already busy beaver away, carefully planning our PTA Santa Social event. If you would like to lend them a hand, please email the team at ptahoole@gmail.com.

Turn cashback into free donations

Support Hoole CofE Primary School PTA, Chester on easyfundraising!

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★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Choir About Town ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

It seems our fabulous Choir Club is in great demand this festive season, having been booked by Chester Cathedral, All Saints' Church and local public house, The Piper Pub, amongst others! Please see below for the full programme of events that they will be participating in:

Date	Venue	Information
2nd December	Bishops High School	The choir will participate in a service from 6pm-7pm (KS2 only)
4th December	Heart & Soul Cafe, All Saints' Church	The choir will entertain customers from 10.30-11.30am
5th December	PTA Santa Social	The choir will entertain guests from 3.30pm
6th December	Piper Pub, Pipers Lane	The choir will entertain guests from 12.30pm-1.15pm
8th December	Chester Cathedral	The choir will participate in a service from 1pm-3pm (KS2 only)
11th December	School Hall	Our Intergenerational Choir will be holding a singalong from 2pm
21st December	All Saints' Church	The choir will participate in the Nativity Service from 10.30am

"My child loves school and only has positive things to say about it, there are lots of opportunities for children to develop and challenge themselves which makes school an exciting place to be."



"I feel very privileged that I get to drop (my child) off every morning for school with him being so happy as we both know that he is known, cared for and looked after so well at school. Thank you for everything you do!"



"As our daughter moves into another year at this school we are so happy that she continues to be progressing so well but more importantly that she is very happy. She is being challenged but not too much out of her depth. All staff in the school are amazing but that stems from the strong leadership in the school. The extra curricular activities that are available is fantastic."

"I cannot thank all the staff at Hoole C of E for the love care and commitment they show to the pupils. (My child) is thriving at school and has been offered so many opportunities even in his first years. We would recommend the school to anyone and could not be happier with his progress."



"I love how the school is so supportive not just of the children but also the parents. Also how they celebrate the children's achievements and accomplishments. Very happy."

"(My child) loves school and has done throughout all 7 years at Hoole. She has consistently been nurtured and encouraged in both academic and extra curricular activities. The school is going from strength to strength."

"We are so impressed with the school, all staff are very friendly and pastoral. Great communication across the board. Leadership is excellent."

"Our child is thriving at the school and we feel it is a warm and safe space with amazing staff. The staff are friendly and welcoming. Mrs Flanders is involved in a way I've never known a head teacher to be, and knows every pupil as individuals."

"This a loving and caring school where every member of staff wants the best for my child. They care about making them 'a good person' as well as pushing them to achieve academically. Thank you for your hard work."

Our school vision 'Let your light shine' is lived out every day. We are so proud of the feedback we receive from our school family. We thought we would share our recent Parent and carer feedback with you so that you can celebrate this too.



SPORTS NEWS



YEAR 3-4 GIRLS FOOTBALL

Last Friday, we were represented by a brilliant team in a Girls' Football Tournament at Christleton High School. The team progressed well through the group stages without losing any matches, with some fine gameplay, tackling, team work and shooting. After beating Mill View Primary in the semi-final, they faced a strong Tarvin Primary in the final.

It was 1-1 at the final whistle with the girls hitting the cross-bar twice!

The game went to penalties and sadly, the team were unsuccessful.

Well done girls! Mr Attwood is so proud of you.

Special mention to Alice and Eva who represented the school even though they are only in Year 3!

YEAR 3-4 DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

On Tuesday, Year 3 and 4 took part in a inter-school dodgeball competition. Everyone represented a different country and took part in many games. The teams displayed lots of teamwork and camaraderie in connection with excellent dodging and throwing techniques. The attitude of all the children was fantastic and it was lovely to see everyone smiling and taking part!

A fun time was had by all! Well done folks!



HOOLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

MY HAPPY

PARENT INFORMATION
WORKSHOP



MIND



WHEN?

Wednesday 26th
November
5-6pm

WHERE?

In the School Hall

WHO IS IT FOR?

All Parents and Carers
of all pupils in
Reception

WHAT IS IT?

Our new programme that
promotes positive mental
wellbeing, boosts
confidence and self-esteem

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

You will explore the My
Happy Mind programme,
see an overview of the first
two modules, learn some
relaxing breathing
techniques and be
introduced to the parent
app that accompanies the
programme

WHO WILL DELIVER THE WORKSHOP?

Miss McDonald, our
PSHCE Leader

HOW DO I BOOK?

Log into School Spider and
book your place via the
My Happy Mind
Workshop survey

Cheshire Phoenix Season Ticket

We have been very kindly gifted a school season ticket for Cheshire Phoenix Basketball matches.



We have been very kindly gifted a school season ticket for Cheshire Phoenix Basketball matches!

If you would like to loan the ticket to get admission free for your family into one the Phoenix home matches at the Ellesmere Port Sports Village, please contact the School Office to check for any dates the ticket has available for this season.



CHESHIRE PHOENIX HOME SCHEDULE 2025/26

SEPTEMBER ■ SUN 28 BOOKED ONIA GLADIATORS . 5.30PM OCTOBER ■ SUN 12 BOOKED ELD SHARKS . 5.30PM ■ SUN 19 BOOKED ASTLE EAGLES . 5.30PM ■ SUN 26 BOOKED ELD SHARKS . 5.30PM NOVEMBER ■ SUN 16 BOOKED ON LIONS . 5.30PM ■ SUN 23 BOOKED OL FLYERS . 5.30PM DECEMBER ■ SUN 07 BOOKED TER RIDERS . 5.30PM ■ SUN 28 BOOKED HESTER BASKETBALL . 5.30PM	JANUARY ■ SUN 11 BOOKED ASTLE EAGLES . 5.30PM ■ SUN 18 BOOKED EY 89ERS . 5.30PM FEBRUARY ■ FRI 06 BOOKED HESTER BASKETBALL . 7.30PM ■ SUN 22 BOOKED EY 89ERS . 5.30PM MARCH ■ SUN 2 BOOKED OL FLYERS . 5.30PM APRIL ■ SUN 05 . vs LONDON LIONS . 5.30PM ■ SUN 19 . vs CALEDONIA GLADIATORS . 5.30PM ■ SUN 2 BOOKED TER RIDERS . 5.30PM
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*Fixtures subject to change



ALL GAMES PLAYED AT ELLESMERE PORT SPORTS VILLAGE



Times Tables Rockstar Championship



THE WINNING CLASS IS

**TEAM
4C**

PUPIL LEADERBOARD



YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY



THE YEAR 6
BIKEABILITY
TRAINING
CONTINUED
THIS WEEK!



We are so proud of our Year 6's, who have worked hard over the past week to learn how to navigate the roads safely on their bikes.

Special thanks to Richard, Ian and Sophie at Bikeability for all their advice, patience and expertise. They have ensured all the pupils that participated, gained their level 1 and level 2 Bikeability awards.

Christmas Events



Non-uniform Day Friday 28th November

OUR AMAZING PTA WILL BE HOLDING THE SANTA SOCIAL ON 5TH DECEMBER AND TO SUPPORT THIS, WE ARE INVITING PUPILS TO COME TO SCHOOL WEARING THEIR OWN CLOTHES ON FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER IN RETURN FOR A DONATION TO THE RAFFLE.

WE WOULD WARMLY WELCOME DONATIONS SUCH AS BOXES OF CHOCOLATE AND CONFECTIONERY OR UNUSED TOILETRY AND BEAUTY SETS.

DONATIONS CAN BE BROUGHT TO SCHOOL WITH PUPILS ON THE NON-UNIFORM DAY.

Christmas Events

On Friday 5th December, our amazing PTA will be hosting a festive Santa Social straight after school!

All are welcome to enjoy the performances from our School Choir and talented musicians, plus feast on some scrumptious festive food and warm up with a hot chocolate.

We will be visited by Father Christmas who will transform our staff room in to a festive grotto. If your child would like to meet him, bookings are now open on the School Spider app or via the School Website.

Booking and payment instructions have been emailed to all parents earlier today. We look forward to seeing you all!



Hoole CE Primary School

SANTA SOCIAL

5TH DECEMBER

FREE ENTRY | FROM 3.30 PM

LIVE PERFORMANCES

SANTA'S GROTTO (PREBOOKABLE ON SCHOOL SPIDER)

FESTIVE REFRESHMENTS



Part of
CDLT
Chester Diocesan
Learning Trust



Christmas Events



Team RM and RW present the
Reception Nativity



Thursday 11th December
10am | School Hall



HOOLE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

WHEN?

Year 1 & 2

TUESDAY

16TH DECEMBER 1:30-3PM

Year 3 & 4

WEDNESDAY

17TH DECEMBER 1:30-3PM

Year 5 & 6

THURSDAY

18TH DECEMBER 1:30-3PM

WHERE?

**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH,
HOOLE ROAD**



**CHRISTMAS
SERVICES**



**EVERYONE
Welcome**



Christmas Events



IT'S CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!

Join us in supporting Save the Children on
Wednesday 10th December
and wear your festive attire to school!

Charitable donations can be made
via the School Gateway



Save the Children®



CHRISTMAS DINNER

WEDNESDAY 17TH DECEMBER

Turkey/Quorn with Sage and Onion Stuffing
Chipolata Sausage/Veggie Sausage
Roast or Mash Potatoes
Carrots, Sprouts and Peas
Gravy

*Ham/Cheese/Tuna Sandwiches also available as an alternative

Our wonderful Catering Team will be cooking up a festive storm on Wednesday 17th December. Preorders are now closed as they have to order the turkey in advance.

Sandwiches will also be available to order as an alternative to Christmas Dinner on the day. Unfortunately, our Catering Team will not be offering jacket potatoes due to over capacity.

Next Week's School Dinner Menu

Provided by
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HOOLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEK 3 LUNCH MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Slices of Texas BBQ Pizza (V) served with Baked Beans, Seasonal Vegetables or Coleslaw	Oven Baked Sausage Roll or Cheese & Onion Roll, Mashed Potato served with Baked Beans or Seasonal Vegetables	Chicken or Quorn in a Katsu Curry Sauce served with Rice, Naan Bread & Seasonal Vegetables	Spaghetti Bolognese served with Seasonal Vegetables	Cod/Salmon Fish Fingers or Veggie Fingers served with Chips, Baked Beans or Peas
Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Tomato & Herb Pasta Pot	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta Pot	Cheese & Tomato Pasta Pot	Hot Cheese & Tomato Baguette	Cheesy Bean Pasta Pot
Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich
Toffee Cake	Golden Crunch Biscuit	Chocolate Mudslide Cookie	Watermelon Wedge or Biscuit	Rice Crispy Cookie



AVAILABLE DAILY: FRESHLY MADE SALAD, FRESH BREAD, FRUIT YOGHURT, FRESH FRUIT, CHILLED WATER
FOR ALLERGEN INFORMATION, PLEASE ASK ONE OF OUR CATERING TEAM

Let's Celebrate

Rae D

Esme P

Willow-Rose M-D

Molly T

Bobby L

Harry M

Billy B

Leo B

The following children received a class honour for letting their light shine this week!

Alfie G

Demir D

Lily M

Seth L

Harlow P

Arlo A

Ayansh H

LETTING
THEIR LIGHT
SHINE!



Grayson participated in a Kickathon with his Family Martial Arts group over the holidays and raised a huge £1000 for charity!

Olivia created a wonderful home for her pom-pom family that includes a pool and slide!

Demir was made Star of the Week at Kixx Football Academy!

Paige achieved her level 2 at swimming!



Birthdays

DYLAN,
DEMIR,
ZARA,
HETTIE,
JACOB, ROSE
AND RUBY!

Many happy returns
to all our birthday
buddies!
We hope you enjoy
your birthday book!

Key Dates

20th November	Pupil Photographs
26th November	Reception My Happy Mind Workshop 5pm
27th November	Lantern Parade 7pm (selected pupils only)
28th November	Non-uniform Day
1st December	Reception & Year 1 Maths Workshop 3.30pm
4th December	Early Help Navigator outside from 8.40am
4th December	Reception & Y6 Heights & Weights Checks
4th December	Reception Vision & Hearing Checks
5th December	PTA Santa Social 3.30pm
10th December	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children
10th December	Christmas Disco's (Details TBC)
11th December	Reception Nativity in School Hall 10am
12th December	Reception Christmas Party
15th December	Year 1 Christmas Party
15th December	Year 2 Christmas Party
16th December	Y1-2 Christmas Service at All Saints' Church 1.45pm
17th December	Christmas Dinner
17th December	PTA Christmas Disco (Details TBC)

Key Dates

17th December	Y3-4 Christmas Service at All Saints' Church 1.45pm
17th December	Year 5 Christmas Party
18th December	Y5-6 Christmas Service at All Saints' Church 1.45pm
18th December	Year 3 Christmas Party
19th December	Year 6 Christmas Party
19th December	Year 4 Christmas Party
20th December - 4 th January	School Holidays
5th January	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)
8th January	Early Help Navigator outside from 8.40am
15th January	Hot Dog Day (Change to usual dinner menu)
21st January	Year 5 Trip
4th February	Early Help Navigator outside from 8.40am
16th - 20 th February	School Holidays
5th March	Early Help Navigator outside from 8.40am

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A Hilarious Family Christmas Show

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For all the famiy!

So much fun!



Duggie Dug Dug's

Nativity Delivery

All Saints Church, Hoole, CH2 3HZ
Sunday 30th Nov 4-6pm (show starts @ 4.30pm)

Tuck shop available

£5 Juniors £10 Adults (max pay £30)

For tickets and for more information scan the QR code or visit the link allsaintschurch.churchsuite.com/events/toz6nmb7



CHESTER SANTA DASH

Sunday 7th December
Starts 10am

3.75km route



Ready to dash?



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Santa's Schedule 2025

Brought to you by Chester Round Table

- Mon 1st Dec - Blacon - Start: Waggon & Horses, 6pm
- Wed 3rd Dec - Saughton Camp - Start: Rake & Pikel, 6pm
- Fri 5th Dec - Newton - Start: Bears Paw, 6pm
- Sat 6th Dec - Upton - Start: The Wheatshaf, 5pm
- Mon 8th Dec - Handbridge - Start: Carlton Tavern, 6pm
- Wed 10th Dec - Lache - Start: Lache Larder, 6pm
- Fri 12th Dec - Great Boughton - Start: The Peacock, 6pm
- Sat 13th Dec - Hoole - Start: The Piper, 5pm
- Sun 14th Dec - Great Barrow/Guilden Sutton/Mickle Trafford - Start: White Horse, 4:30pm
- Mon 15th Dec - Kingsway - Start: Kingsway Shops, 6pm
- Wed 17th Dec - Westminster Park - Start: Sandstone bar, 6pm
- Fri 19th Dec - Christleton/Waverton - Start: The Christleton Institute, 6pm
- Sat 20th Dec - Vicars Cross - Start: The Centurion, 5pm
- Mon, 22nd Dec - Kings Moat - Start: Taylor Wimpey Sales Centre, 6pm

100% volunteer run, collecting cash to support good causes in Chester

We can't visit every street - if you're not on the route, please see Santa at the start!

Routes released before each night

Also taking foodbank donations each evening



Hoole Community LIGHTS SWITCH ON

Saturday 15th November 4pm -10pm

HOOLE COMMUNITY CENTRE

LIVE MUSIC FESTIVE FOOD

MARSHMALLOW TOASTING

STALLS BAR LOCAL CHOIRS

MULLED WINE SANTA



TICKETS HERE

Adults £4 in advance, £6 on the night

Under 16's £2 in advance, £3.50 on the night

Under 5's FREE