



Message from Headteacher

Thank you

A huge thank you to the PTA for working with us to organise the school disco on Tuesday, Thank you also to the many volunteers who enabled us to ensure that the disco was safe and enjoyable for all children.

We are now polishing up our dancing shoes for the next disco in May.

Leadership Support

Thank you for your patience during this period where I am supporting a school in the local area for part of the week.

At the time of writing to parents/carers, I was unable to explain how and why this short-term arrangement had come about due to delays in parents/carers at the other schools being notified of the Local Authority's plans.

I am supporting at Capenhurst Primary, as the headteacher is covering at Barrow CE Primary School and Duddon CE Primary School, due to the absence of the executive headteacher. Duddon and Barrow are both local authority maintained schools and are not in any way associated with Chester Diocese Learning Trust.

This current short-term arrangement is currently scheduled to last for a further four weeks after the Easter break.

Smartphone Free Newsletter

We sent out the latest Smartphone Free Schools Newsletter last week. I hope you have had chance to read it, particularly as it explains our school approach to smartphones in school from September 2026.

I would also draw your attention again to the government consultation on raising the age for social media to 16. The consultation closes on 26th May. You can contribute your views at www.gov.uk/government/consultations/growing-up-in-the-online-world-a-national-consultation.

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Roblox

An interesting article about Roblox has been published this week. We have communicated with parents/carers before about the hazards of children being contacted by unknown individuals who target young people playing the most popular games online.

I know that this is a game which many children in our school enjoy at home.

The BBC News article can be found at www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cd6l07wwvlpo

School Spider Accounts

We began the data transfer to our new MIS system earlier last week and this has affected some parent School Spider accounts. We have sent an email to all parents with instructions to create a new account.

If you are experiencing any issues creating a new account or signing in, please contact the School Office for assistance.

School Dinner Price Increase

Just a reminder that from next Wednesday, 1st April 2026, the cost of school meals for pupils who pay in Key Stage 2 (Years 3 – 6) will be £3.00.

Children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 are entitled to a free school lunch under the Universal Free School Meal Scheme and will not be affected.

Families with children in Key Stage 2 who are receiving any of the following benefits, may be also entitled to Free School Meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you feel you may be entitled to Free School Meals, you can arrange this by contacting Cheshire West and Chester Council on 0300 1237021 or apply online at

www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk.

App Changes

Just a reminder that the School Gateway App and SIMS Parent Lite App are now unavailable for parents and carers to use.

These systems have been taken offline to enable our IT team to migrate all our data onto a new fully integrated pupil management system. Please note, the School Spider App is still available.

We have taken parental feedback on board. This change reflects our commitment to reducing the amount of different information and payment systems we operate, to simplify processes for parents and carers.

During the period of data migration, 16th March to 20th April 2026, you will be unable to top up your child's dinner accounts or update your child's details online.

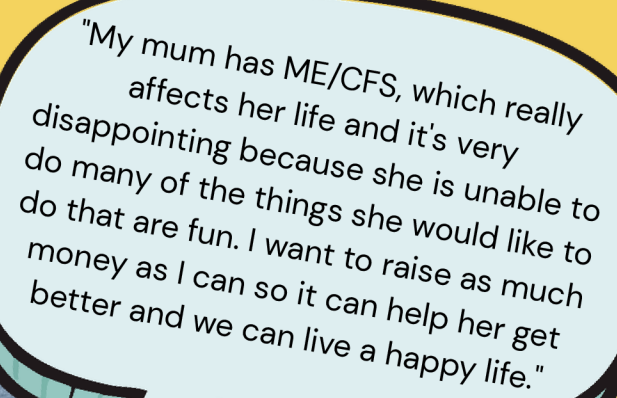
Once the data has been fully migrated, parents will be issued with new logins to the Compass School Manager App and a step-by-step parent guide. Once the Compass Parent Portal/App is live, you will be able to credit any lunch accounts which have gone into arrears during the system downtime. Staff will be available to support parents/carers to navigate the new system and where needed, to facilitate the top up of accounts.

We understand the inconvenience this may cause you, and we appreciate your understanding. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the School Office

Harvey's Charity Bike Ride

Harvey has decided he wants to do a charity bike ride and cycle over 50 miles in a month to support the ME Association.

Harvey's mum, Jo, was diagnosed with post-viral ME 7 years ago, not long after he was born.



"My mum has ME/CFS, which really affects her life and it's very disappointing because she is unable to do many of the things she would like to do that are fun. I want to raise as much money as I can so it can help her get better and we can live a happy life."



If you would like to donate to Harvey's Just Giving page, you can do so by following this link:
www.justgiving.com/page/harveys-big-ride

It's the PTA

EASTER

TOMBOLA



TUESDAY

31ST MARCH

3.15PM

**OUTSIDE THE FRONT
OF SCHOOL**



50p

a ticket*

*Cash only - Please bring correct change

Summer Term Clubs

We are delighted that we are once again able to offer a wide variety of after school clubs for the Summer Term. We are so fortunate at Hoole to have staff who give up their time as well as range of external partners to work with to offer exciting activities.

Clubs bookings will be released on School Spider at 6.30pm on Monday 30th March.

Copies of the external club booking letters can be found on the school website, www.hooleprimary.co.uk/page/clubs or paper-copies can be collected from the School Office.

Day	Year	Club	When	Places	Notes
Monday	R	Lego	3.15-4pm	20	Starts 27 th April. Free – run by Staff
	R-6	Choir	3.15-4.10pm	Full	Starts 27 th April. Free – run by Staff (Places rollover each term-no need to rebook)
	3-4	Football (mixed)	3.20-4.20pm	20	Starts 27 th April. Free – run by Staff
	4	Science	3.20-4.20pm	12	Starts 27 th April. Free – run by Staff
	5-6	Netball (mixed)	3.20-4.20pm	Full	Starts 27 th April. Free – run by Staff (Places rollover this term-no need to rebook)
	5-6	Boys Football	3.20-4.20pm	30	Starts 27 th April. Free – run by Staff
Tuesday	R	Mindfulness	3.15-4pm	10	Starts 28 th April. Free – run by Staff
	1-2	Lego	3.15-4pm	20	Starts 28 th April. Free – run by Staff
	1-2	Football and Outdoor Play	3.15-4.10pm	26	Starts 28 th April. Free – run by Staff
	2-5	Young Enterprise	3.15-4.20pm	20	Starts 28 th April. Free – run by Staff
	3-4	Netball (mixed)	3.20-4.20pm	Full	Starts 28 th April. Free – run by Staff (Places rollover this term-no need to rebook)
	5-6	Zentangle Art	3.20-4.20pm	30	Starts 28 th April. Free – run by Staff
	5-6	Summer Sports	3.20-4.20pm	30	Starts 2 nd June. Free – run by Staff
Wednesday	R-1	Art	3.15-4pm	12	Starts 29 th April. Free – run by Staff
	1-6	Street Dance	3.20-4.20pm	20	Starts 29 th April. Provided by Victoria Condliffe. 11 sessions, £77
	2-6	Beacons	3.15-4.20pm	30	Starts 29 th April. Free - provided by All Saints' Church
	3-4	Arts & Crafts	3.20-4.20pm	30	Starts 29 th April. Free – run by Staff
	5-6	Girls Football	3.20-4.20pm	18	Starts 29 th April. Free – run by Staff
Thursday	3-4	Lego Club	3.15-4.15pm	20	Starts 30 th April. Free – run by Staff
	3-4	Shakespeare	3.20-4.20pm	Full	Club runs up until the shows on 5 th and 7 th May
	5-6	Imaginative Art	3.20-4.20pm	30	Starts 30 th April. Free – run by Staff
Friday	5-6	Shakespeare	3.20-4.20pm	Full	Club runs up until the shows on 28 th & 30 th April
	4-6	Dodgeball	3.20-4.20pm	30	Starts 1 st May. Provided by PK Sports. 8 sessions, £36







A HUGE THANK YOU, TO OUR
INCREDIBLE PTA FOR OUR SPRING
DISCO - WE HAD A BLAST!



Scarlet Fever

We are aware that there a rise in Scarlet Fever cases locally.

Scarlet Fever is a contagious bacterial infection, mainly affecting children, caused by Group A Streptococcus. It features a distinctive sandpapery, red rash, high fever, sore throat, and "strawberry tongue". Treated with antibiotics, it typically lasts about a week, and is spread through respiratory droplets or touching contaminated surfaces

Symptoms

Rash: A pink-red rash that feels like sandpaper, appearing 1-2 days after initial symptoms. It often starts on the chest/stomach, spreading to the body, neck, arms, and legs.

Red Face: Flushed face with a pale area around the mouth.

Strawberry Tongue: White coating that peels, leaving the tongue red and swollen.

Fever/Throat: High fever and a very sore throat.

Others: Swollen neck glands, nausea, vomiting, and fatigue

If your child displays any of these symptoms, please contact your GP as soon as possible.

Easter at All Saints' Church



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Easter Party

For Primary School aged children

Wednesday 1st April
5.30pm- 7.00pm

Calling all Primary school age children! You are invited to our Easter party! There will be Easter themed crafts, games and tea provided.

Spaces are limited so [HERE](#)

NB - This is a drop off party

- There is a suggested donation of £2.50 per child to cover find

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EASTER at as all saints hoole

EASTER PARTY

Wednesday 1st April 5:30-7pm
For Primary School Aged Children. Easter themed crafts, games and fun! Sign up @ allsaints.church/easter-2026

MAUNDY THURSDAY

2nd April - 9:30am - Holy Communion
A short service of thought and reflection.

GOOD FRIDAY

3rd April - 10:30am - Interactive Service
An opportunity for us to think about the events of Holy week. Many activities suitable for younger children. All ages welcome.

3pm - Reflective Service
A time of reflective worship, prayer, scripture and Holy Communion as we look to Jesus' saving death on the cross for the sake of the whole world.

EASTER DAY

5th April - 9am - Holy Communion
Join us for worship, prayer, teaching and Holy Communion as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus on that first Easter Day.

10:45am - Easter Day Celebration
Join us for worship, prayer, teaching, and baptism renewals as we gather to celebrate the joy and power of resurrection life together.

He is Risen



Our Art Ambassadors have joined together with our existing team to decorate our duck. They have spent some of their own lunchtimes helping to lovingly transform him into this years theme.

Can you guess what the duck will be?



ACTIVITIES FROM 12 NOON

THE COUNTES CHARITY

CHESTER DUCK RACE

SATURDAY 25th APRIL 2026 AT 3PM | **RIVER DEE THE GROVES CHESTER**

Colouring competition | Hook a Duck | Face Painting & More

Details

Duck Sponsorship £275

To sponsor or find out more information contact
emma.boylan1@nhs.net
01244366240

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THE SOUTHERN TASTER OF AMERICA

EVENT SUPPORTED BY **10163 HELP** | **Cheshire West and Chester** | **Cheshire's Dee 1063** | **admiral** | **THE GIBBONS**

In support of the Extra Mile Appeal. Providing additional pieces of equipment over and above core NHS provision

YEAR 1 PHONICS PARENT WORKSHOP

Join us to find out more about the Year One Phonics Screening Check and what this will look like for your child!

Book your place on School Spider today!

Tuesday 31st March 4pm-4.45pm

HOOLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Forthcoming Assessments

Just a reminder about assessments for year groups later this year.

Please ensure that your child is in school for assessments during these periods, particularly for national assessments in Year 6, Year 1 and Year 4.

If your child is in Year 2 and is retaking the phonics screening test this year, they will also need to be in school during the phonics testing week.

Year Group	Assessments Undertaken	Date of Assesements
Year 6	National End of KS2 Assessments (SATs)	11th-14 th May
Year 4	National Multiplication Tables Check	1st-12th June
Year 2	End of KS1 Teacher Assessments	May
Year 1	Phonics Screening Test	9th-13 th June

Please do not request time off during term-time if your child is due to have statutory national assessments. Thank you for your cooperation.

HOOLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
PRESENTS

CURRICULUM SHOWCASE

Join us to discover what we've been learning and share in a unique opportunity to explore the diverse and exciting projects we have been working on this year!

at All Saints' Church

Parents and carers are invited to our spectacular year group Showcases at All Saints' Church (Hoole Road) *

RECEPTION Tuesday 16th June
2pm (* in school)

YEAR 1 Wednesday 6th May
1.45pm

YEAR 2 Wednesday 7th March
1.45pm ✓

YEAR 3 Wednesday 20th May
1.45pm

YEAR 4 Wednesday 13th May
1.45pm

YEAR 5 Wednesday 29th April
1.45pm

YEAR 6 Wednesday 17th June
1.45pm



Our year groups will be holding a showcase at All Saints' Church on various dates throughout the Spring and Summer Terms, to share all of the wonderful work they have completed so far this academic year.

All parents and carers are very welcome to join us. There is no need to book; just turn up on the date detailed above. Please note that Reception's Curriculum Showcase will be in school rather than All Saints' Church.

Times Tables Rockstar Championship

THE WINNING
CLASS IS

TEAM
6B

PUPIL
LEADERBOARD



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
1st May	Team 3U
8th May	Team 2C
15th May	Team 1J
21st May	Team 5S
5th June	Team 4JK
12th June	Team 4C
19th June	Team 3EI
26th June	Team 2K
3rd July	Team RM
10th July	Team RW
17th July	Team 1H

Upton High Brass Concert

15 children from Year 4 let their lights shine brightly this week at the Chester Music Centre Spring Concert at Upton High. They performed with the Chester Schools Concert and Mezzo bands, playing some of the pieces they have learned this term. We are so proud of their achievements and how they represented our school so well. Their confidence and excellent behaviour shone through!

The children were commended by Love Music Trust for their impeccable behaviour as well as their musical performance.

Thank you to all the parents, brothers and sisters who also came along to support.



School Dinner Menu

Provided by
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HOOLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEK 3 LUNCH MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
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
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
Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham, Tuna or Cheese Sandwich
Toffee Cake	Golden Crunch Biscuit	Chocolate Mudslide Cookie



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

Birthdays

ARTHUR, MYLO,
ANNA, DEMIR, ISABEL,
ARLA, LILLY H, MAYA,
SHRI ANANYA, ZARA, POPPY,
LILY W, JASMINE, NOAH, LILY M,
TEE-JAY, SION, LEO, GEORGI,
CALEB, OLIVER L, ELLIOT,
OLIVER W, CONNIE,
ACACIA, SAMSON,
MEHRAAV AND
THAMID!

Many happy returns
to all our birthday
buddies!

We hope you enjoy
your birthday book!

LETTING THEIR
LIGHT SHINE!

Eleanor passed
her piano exam
with flying
colours!



Bobby and Georgia were
presented with
certificates after
completing their first
term at Gymfinity.

Georgia also took part in
a performance of
Aladdin at Theatre Porto
with Northwest Dance
Studios over the
weekend!



Sofia was awarded Star of the Day at
dance and her level 4 award in gymnastics!

Let's Celebrate

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

Zayn E

India-Grey S

Kian B

Ren R

Verity B

Bonnie D

Sam T-F

Isaac M

Elsie- Blu C

Lily W

Finlay P

Taran D-D

Elsie M

Yaz A

River Q-W

Taher U

Key Dates

31st March	Year 1 Parent Phonics Worskhop 4pm
1st April	Easter Service at All Saints' Church (Pupils only)
1st April	Year 4 Trip
2nd - 19th April	School Holidays
27th April	Summer Term Clubs Start
28th April	Midsummer Night's Dream 6pm
29th April	Y2 Curriculum Showcase at All Saints' Church
29th April	Year 1 Trip
30th April	Midsummer Night's Dream 6pm
4th May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
5th May	Hamlet
6th May	Year 1 Showcase
7th May	Hamlet
7th May	Early Help Navigator from 8.35am

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