Huntington Community Primary School

Parent Newsletter

Learn to Live, Live to Learn

Friday 16 October 2026

Dear families,

What a busy week it has been at Huntington. Our children have been out and about learning in the real world, and a good number have been running too. There is plenty to share, so please read on.

Mini Hunters: our new toddler group

We are delighted to announce Mini Hunters, a new group for families with pre-school age children. Our slogan says it all: Play, chat, grow.

- When: every Friday, 9.30am to 10.30am
- First session: Friday 6 November 2026, then 13 and 20 November, and every Friday after
- Who: families with pre-school children
- Cost: **free**, and each session is led by a qualified teacher
- Where: Huntington Community Primary School, Aldford Road, Huntington, Chester CH3 6EA

Each session is full of stories, songs, musical instruments, crafts and play, and it is a lovely way to meet other families and get to know our school. Please pass this on to friends and neighbours with little ones. For more information, call the school office on 01244 506450.

Reception open days (September 2027 intake)

If you know a family thinking about a Reception place for September 2027, we would love to welcome them. I will be on hand to meet visitors, and families can see for themselves what makes Huntington special:

- A warm, welcoming first year of school for every child
- Strong early reading, writing and maths foundations
- Our new Early Years Provision and outdoor learning
- Breakfast, after school and holiday clubs on site via S4YC

Open mornings (from 9.30am): Thursday 5 November and Thursday 19 November.

Open afternoons (from 1.30pm): Monday 9, 16 and 23 November.

Open evening (from 5.30pm): Wednesday 18 November, with cheese and wine.

Places are limited, so please book with the school office on 01244 506450 or at admin@huntington.cheshire.sch.uk.

Years 3 and 4 step back in time in Chester

Our Year 3 and 4 children travelled to Chester for a Roman day at the Deva Roman Centre, walking in the footsteps of the people who founded the city almost two thousand years ago.

Inside the centre, the children travelled back in time to the Roman fortress of Deva. They found out why the Romans invaded Britain and what life was like for a soldier in Chester, and explored Roman

ports, streets, a hospital, a bath and an amphitheatre, with plenty of hands-on activities along the way. Then they were enlisted into the Roman Army on a walking tour of the city, meeting a legion veteran, taking on team challenges and marching through Chester with their shields.

Thank you to the staff and volunteers who made the day possible, and to families for their support with the trip.

Year 5 reach for the stars at Jodrell Bank

Year 5 visited Jodrell Bank to see science and space come to life, and to explore the work of one of the most famous radio telescopes in the world.

The children enjoyed a Space Dome show, which took them on a tour of the Solar System and helped them to pick out constellations. They listened to a talk from the Jodrell Bank Explainers about the site and its telescopes, complete with demonstrations, and then explored the exhibition galleries.

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the visit such a success.

Chester Mini Marathon: well done, Huntington!

We are very proud that lots of our children completed the Chester Mini Marathon. Taking part takes perseverance, determination and a good deal of courage on the day, and they showed all three.



Our Chester Mini Marathon finishers, medals proudly on show





Well done to every runner, and thank you to the parents and carers who cheered them on and got them to the start line.

Design the MP's Christmas card

Aphra Brandreth, the MP for Chester South and Eddisbury, has launched her annual Christmas card competition for the young people of the constituency, and Huntington children are invited to enter. The winning design will be featured on the front of her official Christmas card, with four runners-up displayed inside. The cards are sent to His Majesty the King, members of parliament, local businesses and leaders within the constituency.

- Size: A5, using the template provided by the MP's office
- Design: please keep blank space to a minimum
- Important: each entry must show the child's full name, age, school (Huntington Community Primary School) and class
- Entries must reach the MP by Friday 6 November 2026

School will send home an entry form on Monday next week. Completed entries to be handed into school Monday 2nd November 20206.

Thank you

Thank you, as always, for your support. Trips, groups and events like these only work because of the partnership between home and school.

Mr D Erne



Headteacher