

31st January 2025

Compassion, Joy, Perseverance, Respect

Headteacher News

Hot off the press! Thank you to the School Council for organising Pyjama Day! Everybody enjoyed coming to school in their pyjamas.





It's hard to believe that we are almost half way through the academic year. The snowdrops are starting to show their bright, white, drooping heads and the mornings and evenings are thankfully starting to become lighter. Indeed, we are also proud of the growing enthusiasm in school life and progress with the children's learning. They continue to live up to our school vision of 'life in all its fullness' John 10:10.

Last Friday some of our KS2 children, supported by Mr Ming and Mrs Warde, braved the weather and certainly went outside of their comfort zones representing our school in the Cross-Country races at Mote Park. The perseverance they showed together with the joy of taking part was more than admirable. For the last few weeks you may have noticed a worn, muddy path around our school field. The children voluntarily trained so they could do their very best as they certainly did! There were at least 60



children participating in each race. A special well done to Zack, Ruby, Tabitha and Leo who all managed to finish in the top 10! Thank you to the parents who kindly drove the children to Mote Park.

Our School Council held an important meeting with the Contract Dining Company last week. They collected questions from their classes and very professionally met to ensure the questions were answered. In fact, Lisa from CDC agreed with their suggestions such as not giving unusual names to dishes — 'We don't know what Quorn Masala looks or tasted like'. CDC will now offer cheese to put on pasta dishes, garlic bread, butter for jacket potatoes and having bigger wraps and bigger portions for the older children. The mayonnaise cannot be Hellmans as due to allergies it has to be vegan! They also wanted to see the return of ice-cream in tubs. CDC explained that this was not very eco-friendly. Thank you to Rose, Tommy, Gracie, Savannah, Phoebe, Ben, Katie and Pippa for helping to make improvements to our delicious lunches. We all agreed that we were lucky to have such a good cook. The updated menu has been sent out to all parents, along with a copy added to our school website.

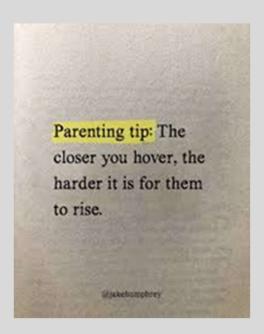


This week the children really impressed 5 headteachers with their enthusiasm for learning and their calm focus in lessons. Hunton is part of a collaboration with local schools. It was our turn to host and for the headteachers to give their opinion on the quality learning taking place. We were praised for children's attitude and behaviour in all lessons. We were particularly impressed by the children's ability to articulate and recall learning. Our reading fluency lessons were observed and again the headteachers were surprised by the children's ability to use their phonics, chunk up tricky words and use prosidy (expression).

Some Y5 and Y6 girls asked a couple of weeks ago if they could take an assembly on anti-bullying to bring our child friendly leaflet to life. Gosh! Independently they worked as a group at playtimes, not only creating a PowerPoint presentation but they also directed and produced a film! It was fantastic and they certainly explained the difference between unkindness and bullying in all its potential forms. Thank you, girls!



Finally, I will just leave you with this from 'Wake up Wednesday' and Jake Humphrey, the sports commentator, who has small children himself. Children can do things for themselves.





Have a lovely weekend Mrs Makey







Star of the Week and House points winners

Every week, each class nominates a pupil as 'star of the week' for an outstanding achievement or learning that has taken place. Their achievement will be linked to the Christian value they show. Look out for it on their certificate.

A huge well done to the children who got awarded star of the week! Congratulations for all their hard work.

Our house colours are named after people who reflect our vision of 'life in all its fullness' and we are sharing weekly results of house points.

	w/e 24 th Jan	w/e 31st Jan
Devas	Connie	Alana
Bannerman	Evie	Ruben
Porteous	Pippa	Mya
Borton	Luc	Benjamin & Leo
House points winner	Rosa Parks	Oliver Jeffers

Attendance

Every School Day Counts
Please don't let your child miss out on the education they deserve.

For the past 2 weeks these were the class attendance totals:

Devas: 92% Bannerman: 91% Porteous: 89% Borton: 96%

Well done to **BORTON** who achieved the highest attendance for $20^{th} - 31^{st}$ January.

Dates



Please note that dates are subject to change. Where possible, we will always try to give as much notice as we can if we need to change a date.

Monday	Football Club
3:20-4:20pm	
3/10 Feb	
Tuesday	Netball Club and
3:20-4:20pm	Kingsquad Club
4/11 Feb	
Wednesday	Acro
3:20-4:20pm	
5/12 Feb	
Thursday	Science
3:20-4:05pm	
6/13 Feb	

Thursday 6 th	Year R & Year 6 visit to
February 1:30pm	Coxheath Library
Wednesday 12 th	Bannerman trip to Leeds
February	Castle
Friday 14 th Feb	Last day of term 3
Monday 24 th Feb	First day of term 4
Tuesday 25 th Feb 2:30pm	SENCo Social – touch typing
Monday 3 rd	National offer day for
March	Secondary school
Thursday 6 th	World Book Day – dress up
March	as your favourite book
	character
Thursday 13 th	Year 4 visit to Coxheath
March	Library
Saturday 15 th	PTFA Curry & Quiz
March	
Monday 17 th &	Parent consultations – info
Tuesday 18 th	to be sent out in due course
March	
Thursday 20 th	Devas trip to Kent Life
March	
Friday 4 th April	Last day of term
	9:15am – Easter Service at
	the Church. All welcome!







Monkhouse (our school uniform supplier) are now offering free delivery if you choose to have your items delivered directly to school.

https://www.monkhouse.com/school/hunton-c-ofengland-primary-school-urn-118726

Please donate any pre-loved uniform with the Hunton logo to the PTFA.

Kingsquad after-school club

Kingsquad has been a welcome addition to our after-school clubs calendar, thank you to Becky Parnham and her helpers for running this club.

Each week there are different craft activities for the children to do with each one representing a story from the bible, all done in a fun and childfriendly way.





