



Headteacher News

Welcome to Term 5. We are so pleased that we have finally had enough lovely weather to keep the field dry enough for the children to play on (let's just hope it continues!) The children are so fortunate to have a wonderful outdoor space where they imaginatively play with sticks and logs at break times as well as play their usual favourite sports such as football, tag and skipping. Please do remember sun-protection cream, sun hats and water bottles as the weather gets warmer. It will happen!

100 Challenge Day – Friday 7th May

Next Friday is our 100 Challenge Day. The children have been set a challenge to do something 100 times. I've been hearing about sporting challenges as well as eating and baking ones. One of our YRs says she will spin 100 times! I hope she does it somewhere with lots of soft cushions. We wait to hear what the staff will do – eating 100 Maltesers could be interesting. During the day lots of challenges will be set for the children including a scavenger hunt with prizes to win.

How you can help us – please can you encourage your child with their challenge and to get sponsors. There will be a competition to fill a plastic bag (we will provide and send home) with 100 of the same item. For an entry of £1 there will be a prize for the most original bag. Please bring the filled bag and £1 in on Friday 7th.

We will also be selling raffle tickets before and after school for a £1 a strip to win 100 treats. Whatever amount we raise it will help in providing those extras at Hunton that we really cannot afford. The raffle will be drawn on Friday and the winning number will be emailed so that the lucky person can come and collect their prize. Thank you in advance for your support.

I know that many of you will be very surprised to hear that Mrs Pilcher will be leaving us at the end of the academic year. She will certainly be missed by staff, children and, I am sure, many of you as parents will too. I personally have been so warmly welcomed to Hunton by her and she has supported me as she so effortlessly does with everyone else. Mrs Pilcher has been intending to work with vulnerable children and now has the opportunity to do so; we certainly wish her all our very best as well as giving her our appreciation for her work over the last 11 years at Hunton. We've still got her for a while yet. This week, I am pleased to say that we successfully interviewed and recruited after receiving a large number of applications.

I wonder what other changes you have seen at school especially near our entrance. As you know the children voted on 4 new Christian values that they understand. Christians believe that God loves and cares for them in many different ways; we will be using songs, hymns, bible stories etc to help the children realise the importance of the values. However, the sculptures at our entrance represent and remind us daily of our values too. They were designed and created by one of our parents, Mr Martin. We would like to express our appreciation to him.

These 'different' times do continue but I do hope that as restrictions are eased, this term will bring us some return to normality. Please do continue to look after yourselves and each other and I hope that you have super long weekend.

Mrs Makey

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Star of the Week



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 the star in the last two weeks! Congratulations for all their hard work.

	w/e 30 th April
Devas	Naomi
Bannerman	Scarlet
Porteous	Arwyn
Borton	Lottie

Dates



Friday 28 th May	Last day of term
Monday 7 th June	Staff Development Day (children not in school)
Tuesday 8 th June	Term 6 Starts
Wednesday 9 th June	Class Photos
14-18 th June	PGL residential for Y5&6
Tuesday 29 th June am	Sports Day (reserve 6 th July)
Wednesday 21 st July	Last Day of term



Twitter

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Have a look and follow us so you can keep up with what the children get to at school. Next week there will be lots of photos of our 100 Challenge Day. We'd love to see any photos that you tweet. Please tag us in any photos for us to retweet.



Purple Polishing Pens

Have you heard about purple polishing pens in school this week? As part of our feedback and marking, children are starting to use their purple polishing pens to improve or correct their work. They're used from YR-6. The impact on learning is far stronger when we mark live in the lesson. The children will correct their misconceptions and move their learning on by purple polishing.

Online Safety – this is important for parents!

Do you really know what your child is up to or who they are meeting on line?

Below is a 3 minute clip about the popular game Roblox about keeping your child safe. Please take time to watch.

[Is Roblox safe for children - see parent's guide | Internet Matters](#)

There are other [parental controls](#) that can be used in the game to ensure Roblox is super safe for younger players. It's worth checking out the [Roblox website](#) for guidance.



Contacting School

Just a reminder – please send emails via office@hunton.kent.sch.uk rather than directly to staff. Thank you.

Sickness

If your child has sickness or diarrhoea please allow 48 hours after the last bout before you send your child back to school.

Questionnaire

Please remember to return your questionnaire, as your views are important to us.

Sports Day

We are still unsure at present what format Sports Day will be able to take, and if we will be able to have the usual parent audience, but we have scheduled in dates so please make a note of these. If weather permits it will be held on Tuesday 29th June. The reserve date is Tuesday 6th July.

KCC SEND strategy published

KCC have now published the SEND strategy <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/special-educational-needs/send-strategy/strategy-for-children-with-special-educational-needs-and-disabilities> It identifies its vision and 5 key priorities. Please click on the link to read more.

[Can you match our new values to the wall sculptures made by Mr Martin?](#)

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Community News

If you would like to send us anything for our newsletter please send it to office@hunton.kent.sch.uk

Competition with the Kent Messenger

Once again, the KM is asking schools and/or parents to help children submit their pictures directly to their website at www.kmmydad.co.uk Children can add their own special message to their dad, and the pictures will appear in time for Father's Day in week commencing 14th June. This is open to all primary school aged children and pictures must be submitted by close of business 24th May.

