



Please remember to label all of your child's clothes - including coats, hats, scarves, gloves and P.E kits.

Compassion, Joy, Perseverance, Respect

Headteacher News

I must open the newsletter with some big thank yous. Firstly, to Sora and Darcie who along with our Head Girl and Head Boy held an extremely successful stationery sale in order to raise more money for our Howletts trip. They organised the advertising and the setting up of the stall so well, and of course, added up all the money. They took over £125! Furthermore, it is with much gratitude to the PTFA for giving a very generous donation towards funding the trip. Without their fundraising and dedication our children would never receive those special extra experiences. Thank you!

We have had more families than ever on our open day tours for little ones starting school in September 2025. Thank you to all our children who were proud to show Hunton at its best! The feedback from parents was extremely positive, with comments about our exciting learning opportunities and of course our wonderful children. There continues to be a real learning buzz at Hunton and it is great that so many visitors are impressed by the quality of provision across the school. Thank you to the PTFA for organising and serving refreshments when we had busy sessions.

This week was 'Design and Technology' week across the school. Instead of having a DT lesson each week we find teaching is more effective when we group the term's lessons in to one week. The learning theme has been textiles and sewing: Devas have been designing and making Christmas stockings, Bannerman designing pouches, Porteous making book pockets and Borton designing and creating waistcoats for their teddies. Creativity, dexterity and perseverance could be seen throughout to make their end products and it is wonderful to see which children really excel and help others. I mentioned to Borton that I am sure they could be a crafts person on the BBC 'Repair Shop'!



Somehow Christmas seems to be creeping close very quickly. I hope it's not too early to mention it.

The buzz around the school has started, planning for festivities and hearing the sound of children singing songs for their Christmas performances. I can't begin to tell you what a joyful sound this is – definitely the main perk of the job!

We are so looking forward to all the Christmas events coming up. Please note all the dates to join us at this special time of year. If you can help us in anyway at the Christmas Fayre we would be so grateful.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Makey



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: 97.86% Bannerman: 96.67%
Porteous: 95% Borton: 95.97%

Well done to **DEVAS** who achieved the highest attendance for 11th – 22nd November.



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 15 th Nov	w/e 22 nd Nov
Devas	Millie	Oliver
Bannerman	Mila	Ottillie
Porteous	Freddie	-
Borton	Wren	Elsie
House points winner	Rosa Parks	Rosa Parks

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 25 Nov & 2 Dec	Netball Club Years 3-6 3:20-4:20pm
Tuesday 26 Nov & 3 Dec	Christmas Crafts Club Years 1-6 3:20-4:20pm
Wednesday 27 Nov & 4 Dec	Acro Club Years 1-6 3:20-4:20pm
Thursday 28 Nov & 5 Dec	Tennis Club Years 2-6 3:20-4:20pm
Sat 23 rd Nov 3:00pm-5:30pm	Hunton Christmas market at St Mary's Church
Thurs 28 th Nov 1:30pm pick-up	Year 5 visit to Coxheath library
Fri 29 th Nov	Non-uniform day "bring a bottle" for the tombola
Sat 30 th Nov 6pm	Wreath making – PTFA event at Hunton Village Hall
29 th Nov – 6 th Dec	Chocolate competition – bring in chocolate for tombola
Thurs 5 th Dec 2pm	Devas & Bannerman nativity to parents
Fri 6 th Dec 2pm-3:45pm	Christmas Fayre
Tues 10 th Dec	Borton Leeds Castle trip
Tues 17 th Dec	Christmas jumper and Christmas dinner day
Fri 20 th Dec	9:15am – Christingle church service. All welcome.
Fri 20 th Dec	Last day of term 2. Come in and look at your child's books from 1:45pm
Tuesday 7 th Jan	First day of term 3



On the last day of term you are welcome to come in from 1:45pm and look through your child's books.

Once you have finished you can take your child home.



Hunton Church Christmas Market

Saturday 23rd November 3pm-5:30pm

On Saturday there will be a Christmas market at the Church with lots of handmade gifts, pre-loved toys, lucky dip, gifts, bottle tombola, raffle, kids pocket money toys, BBQ and lots more. Santa will also be in his grotto for any children who would like to visit him!



Coats and PE kit for cold weather

Please make sure that your child is suitably attired for school now the weather has turned colder. They do need a coat for lunch times as they will, of course, normally be outside for a period of time. Can you please also ensure that your child brings in a track suit or 'old' sweater and jogging bottoms for outdoor games lessons. Trainers are also best for outside PE. They can be left in school in your child's PE bag. It is important that all children take a full part in PE and games lessons and are suitably clothed for outdoor sessions so that they can enjoy them without getting too cold. We are sure you will support us in trying to encourage them to adopt healthy lifestyles now and in the future.

On the back of World Kindness Day last week, Hunton has launched Superkind- a new platform to encourage citizenship, social action



and kindness for our children <https://superkind.org/> This helps children know how to take action within a school, local or global issue they feel passionately about, for example climate change or work for a charity, and into easy steps and in a meaningful way. Each child can be awarded online badges for good work in the school or community; we gave our first badges to those that helped with the cake and stationery sale last week.



PTFA News & Events
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Christmas Fayre

Just 2 weeks to go! Please continue to bring in any donations, we especially need items/vouchers towards our raffle tombola and things for our Elfridges gift shop.

If you are able to help set-up on the day or work on a stall for an hour, please add your name to the rota on the main school doors. Every extra pair of helping hands means we can spread the workload so that everyone gets a chance to enjoy the fayre.



Thank you to everyone who signed up for the Christmas photo garland and to Rachel Kelly for taking the photos and making the garlands. We have had such lovely feedback from people who purchased these.

Coxheath Library storytime

On Saturday 23rd November 10:30-11:30am Coxheath Library storytime will have a special guest, author Elisa Peacock, reading her new book 'A Whale of a Time' and there will be an opportunity to make a whale afterwards to take home!



This free session is aimed at primary aged children. There is no need to book just come along and join in the fun.

Walking It Alone:

*The Art of Enjoying
Single Motherhood*



A REFLECTIVE
JOURNAL WITH
OVER 50 PROMPTS
TO EXPLORE AND
ENJOY!

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This is a mindful journal for all kinds of single mothers, whether freshly beginning motherhood alone or well-seasoned pros, it's particularly for all who have felt extremely overwhelmed, frustrated, lonely and exhausted at some point in their parenting journey.

There are six sections each with five thoughtful prompts to think about:

- Self Care & Wellness Check-In
- Parenting Wins & Challenges
- Attitude of Gratitude
- Connecting with My Child/Children
- Mum / Mam / Mom Guilt Reflection
- Future Intentions & Goals

There are another 25+ random prompts regarding you and your thoughts, offering a good opportunity to put your pen down and ponder personal perceptions, from random rants and remembrances to contemplative times.

And you can also colour the images, doodle in the empty spaces, make it your me-time/5-minute-unwind-time!

Available to buy now, all local support will be extremely appreciated:

🌐 **Walking It Alone: The Art of Enjoying Single Motherhood: A Reflective Journal**

Gifting a journal to FIVE single mothers who would like one, please ask at the office!



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- Registration Opens 15th Nov 2024
- Registration Closes 7th Jan 2025
- Collecting 12-14th January 2025

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After costs, 90% of monies raised will go to Hospice in the Weald. The remaining 10% will be distributed to a charity in the local community.

JustHelping supports volunteers, businesses, and charities to contribute to their community and the environment. Our national Christmas tree collection raises essential funds for charities in the local community.





YOU'RE INVITED TO

**CHRISTMAS
AT
KENWARD**

4 WEEKENDS OF CHRISTMASSY FUN...

30th Nov - 1st Dec
Kenward Christmas Art Fair

7th/8th December
Alpaca Meet & Greets
Wreath Making Sunday 8th

14th/15th December
Alpaca Meet & Greets

21st/22nd December
Alpaca Meet & Greets
Meet Santa Sunday 22nd

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