

Dear Parents,

Welcome back!

We hope you all had a lovely summer break. Following what has been a vast amount of time for some away from school, we really are glad to have all the children return and welcome you all back to Hunton CEP School for a new academic year.

The children have settled back extremely well and it has been a delight to see Hunton pupils return to learning in their classrooms.

The following pupils described how it felt to be back at Hunton CEP School after a long absence:

"It feels a bit like when I first started Devas, after what felt like a lot of weeks. It feels better now I'm back. I've really enjoyed learning about the Great Fire of London." – Jenna Y2

"I was very excited to come back to school because I hadn't seen my friends in such a long time. I have liked learning about the Ancient Greeks" – Evie. T Y4

"It felt a bit weird at first. Now I've started lessons again, I'm happy to be back and it feels fun to learn again. I have enjoyed discussing my feelings in Zones of Regulations" (in PSHE). –Noah Y5.

Covid-19

Whilst there is a sense of normality again, please be aware the school is still being vigilant with Coronavirus. If your child is suffering with the following symptoms:

- High Temperature
- New, continuous cough
- Loss or change to sense of smell of taste.

Please inform the office at the earliest opportunity.

Drop-off and Collection

Thank you all for your efforts with the staggered start and finish times. Please ensure that drop-off and collection times are stuck to and that only one parent comes to drop-off and collect. Once you have collected your child, please also ensure you leave the premises as soon as possible to minimise the number of people on the school site at any given time.

Compassion, Hope, Reverence, Wisdom

We also kindly ask parents to consider the neighbours when parking outside the school gate and, due to the different entrances and exits, we also ask parents to **not bring dogs** onto the school premises.

Many thanks for your cooperation with this.

Building Work and School Grounds

Thank you all for your patience with the new roof. The intention is for the building work to be completed in the coming days.

Also, **a massive thank you to Mr Hawes** who has overseen all building work over the summer holidays and carried out a number of DIY jobs and maintenance work!

New Libraries

Over the summer holidays, Hunton staff worked tirelessly to create two new libraries within the school. The non-fiction library is positioned adjacent to the office by the main entrance to the school. The fiction library is in the corridor in-between Bannerman and Devas classrooms.

We continue to hold reading at the centre of our curriculum as we progress on our journey to truly become a 'reading school'.

Each class will provide individual information regarding reading books and home reading shortly.



Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations will take place on Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th October. More information to follow.

Collective Worship

Whilst we are still unable to gather for whole-school Collective Worship, Mr Ming and Mr Ryan held a virtual 'Zoom' Collective Worship to reflect upon 'The Community' and the impact on this during the time we have all been away from each other, as well as how we can all contribute to the rebuilding of Hunton CEP School community.

Devas

Devas have made a terrific start to the term. We have been delighted by the way the children have come in so smiley, settled brilliantly and displayed a real enthusiasm to 'have a go' at all that is available to them. We have been so busy playing and exploring and being creative. Look at how much fun we've been having getting to know each other, learning the routines of the day, playing and exploring and being creative. Well done Devas class!



Bannerman



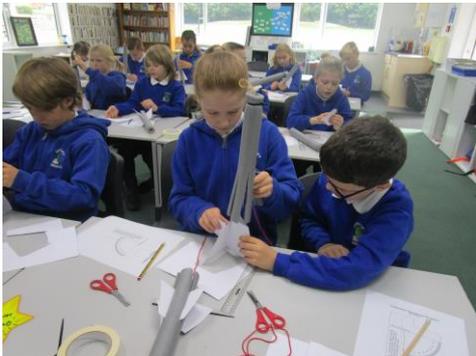
Bannerman have had a good start to the term with their learning. We have been counting up to 100, forwards and backwards, as well as practising our number formations and ordering. We have also been creating portraits of ourselves in art, using paint -they are very good. In English, we have started our new book: Traction Man. We have been describing what his character is like and exploring and discussing the images in the text. Well done Bannerman!

Porteous

Porteous Class have had a fantastic start to the year. We have started the story: 'The Lost Happy Endings' in our English lessons, we begun to learn about Ancient Greece and had fun practising some of our invasion games in PE. The class have risen to the challenge of the mile run too. We have also been enjoying our class book: 'The Boy who Grew Dragons.'



Borton



Pupils from Borton class have settled back extremely well. In English, Borton have been practising their reading skills within the autobiography of 'The Boy who Harnessed the Wind'. In mathematics, the children have read, written and understood the place value of numbers up to 10 million. Last Friday, Borton made rockets in their science/ design and technology lesson and launched them over 'Mud Mountain'. Borton also undertook an e-safety lesson around strong passwords for accounts.

We wish everyone a good weekend.