



Headteacher News

Compassion, Joy, Perseverance, Respect

It's Christmas!

We have come to the end of another busy and high expectation term so on behalf of the staff and governors, I thank you for your support and wish you all a very Happy Christmas holiday. We are proud of the children's many achievements - there is so much high-quality work completed in school and this term we have certainly lived out our vision statement of "striving for life in all its fullness".

- Hunton was ranked top out of the 10 local schools in the 'Daily Telegraph Best Schools Guide'.
- Hunton won the KCC Library Reading Challenge, beating all the schools in Maidstone.
- Schools coming to observe us and find out how we teach maths at Hunton.
- KS2 children competed in football tournaments and recently the Invicta Maths Challenge. Their enjoyment and ability to work as a team made us feel extremely proud.
- On our Vision and Values Day children worked in their House teams and supported each other, demonstrating our values and 'living life in all its fullness' when learning Chinese Dancing
- Borton Class brought to life their class text, 'The London Eye Mystery' when we travelled on the London Eye and sailed up the Thames.
- Porteous and Borton had cricket coaching with Adrian from Kent County Cricket Club plus Football coaching from Maidstone FC
- Visits to Coxheath Library
- All children delivered poems to Hunton homes on National Poetry Day.
- We had over 50 prospective parents tour our little gem of a school.
- Our Governors came in to monitor all areas of school life and have been so positive about the learning opportunities and experiences children have.
- We successfully gained another grant from the Redhill Trust so we could further develop play opportunities at break times.
- Devas Class have really settled in and enjoying their learning. It was great to see parents at the phonics workshop
- Katie Lam, MP, visited us and then experienced a question time style debate.
- Along with our wonderful PTFA the classes all created beautiful gifts and decorations to sell at the Christmas Fayre – not to mention the chocolate which came in. Well done Devas for bringing in the most!
- And of course, there has been some exceptional learning going on! We have completed our end-of-term assessments and congratulate the children on their hard work. Thank you, parents, for supporting us with supporting reading, spelling and times tables practice at home.

Have a lovely weekend



What a couple of weeks we've had to make wonderful memories for the children and start the 'Christmassy' feeling for staff and parents. The Nativity performed by Devas and Bannerman children put smiles on everyone's faces. The confidence they have in acting and singing is beautiful to see. As a school we may be smaller than others but we are unique in ensuring that all children have a chance to shine and perform.

This week we had our Christmas lunch and our incredibly special Christingle Service led and performed brilliantly by Borton and Porteous classes. This service is always so moving, reminding us of the true meaning of Christmas. In this time of excitement, joy, and being honest it is quite loud and frantic too, the Christmas story is infused with gentleness and love.

This Christmas I wish you much peace and joy amid the noise and early morning.



Thank you!

What a wonderful first term we have had and there are so many exciting things to look forward to when we return to school on **Tuesday 6th January** for spring term. On behalf of all the staff at Hunton I thank you for your Christmas cards, gifts and warm wishes.

Have a wonderful Christmas
Mrs Makey

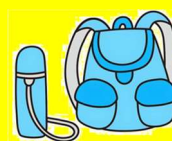
January reminders:

If your child gets these over the Christmas period, please remember:

No big water bottles – over 500ml

No big back packs

No big pencil cases in Borton (no other class need a pencil case).





Attendance

Every School Day Counts

Please don't let your child miss out on the education they deserve.

For the past week these were the class attendance totals:

Devas: 96% Bannerman: 93%

Porteous: 87% Borton: 86%

Well done to DEVAS who achieved the highest attendance for 8th – 19th December 2025.



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.

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 12 th Dec	w/e 19 th Dec
Devas	Leo	Tommy-Lee
Bannerman	-	Gabby & Halle
Porteous	Tilly-May	Chloe
Borton	Pippa & Xander	Mya-Olivia
House points winner	Oliver Jeffers	Bear Grylls

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.

Mondays 12/19/26 Jan 2/9 Feb	Make & Bake Club 3:20-4pm
Tuesday 13/20/27 Jan 3/10 Feb	Ball Games Club 3:20-4:20pm
Tuesday 13/20/27 Jan 3/10 Feb	FT Kids Club 3:20-4:20pm
Wednesday 7/14/21/28 Jan 4/11 Feb	HotShotz Tennis 3:20-4:20pm Click here to book
Thursday 28/15/22/29 Jan 5/12 Feb	Science Club 3:20-4:05pm Click here to book

Tues 6th Jan

First day of term 3



Please save your stamps! A message from the Eco-Council



We want to collect and save stamps for the RNIB (Royal National Institute of Blind people). At Hunton we regularly use a resource created by the RNIB so we can access our reading books on the ipads. In return this is just a little way we can help the charity. Please tear off any stamps on your envelopes and send them into school.



PTFA News & Events
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We would like to start by thanking everyone for their support this year. It means so much that such a small school like ours has a massive support network with parents happy to get involved in events. We have had some new members join our PTFA and PTFA helpers group recently and they have really enjoyed getting involved in their first couple of events.

The most recent event was the pop-up shop on Tuesday where we had a selection of over 50 different items for the children to choose from and we sold 239 gifts! The "buzz" in the shop from the children was amazing, as they took their time to look around all the different items and choose what they thought their recipient would like. They love having that bit of independence at the pop-up shops.

The winner of this years chocolate competition was Devas. They will get a non-uniform day in the new year. Second place went to Bannerman, third place were Porteous with Borton in fourth.

We hope you all have a lovely Christmas and enjoy the gift(s) that your child has chosen for you from the pop-up shop.



Staying Safe

With the Christmas festivities just around the corner, children are looking forward to receiving gifts. For many, this may be devices that allow them to go online. Please take a look at the link below which has top tips for staying safe online at Christmas.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/top-tips-for-staying-safe-online-at-christmas>

Winter Mini Challenge 2025



Visit Coxheath Library
Following the brilliant success of the Summer Reading Challenge, the Winter Mini Challenge

is running from 1st December till 20th February and will be continuing the Story Garden theme from the summer!

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Children can read books from the library including our range of e-Books and e-Audiobooks, they can also read books they already have at home or from school. You can see the full range of e-books and e-audiobooks we have available for children here:

<https://www.inspireculture.org.uk/reading-information/childrens-library/summer-reading-challenge/childrens-e-reading/>

Bishop Jonathan's, Bishop of Rochester, Christmas Message.

<https://www.rochester.anglican.org/news/bishop-shares-his-christmas-message.php>

