



St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter



20th March 2026

Dates for the diary

March

23rd March Y4/Y5 Swimming week

27th Final day of Spring term early finish 1pm

April

13th start of the Summer Term

20th Parent Book Looks

21st Feet First Y3

May

2.45pm -3.15pm Y3

3.15pm-3.45pm Y4

6th Wintershall Trip Liturgy

Leaders Y4/Y5

11th KS2 SATS Week

18th Y6 Residential Trip

25th Half Term Break

Mrs Grace

John 9:1-41

Dear parents and carers,

The children have lived out Catholic Social Teaching this week with their acts of kindness towards others.

For our Lenten fundraiser, the children chose to support Mary's Meals and, this week, we held a bake sale for them. Thank you to the parents who helped us by baking, setting up and selling cakes. The Fundraising Committee had a brilliant idea to support the Woking Food Bank again and asked for Easter Egg donations for them. We had a huge response to this appeal. Thank you to everyone who donated an easter Egg and to Miss Scott who delivered them all to the Food Bank on our behalf.

Well done to Year 1 and thank you for your beautiful Liturgy this morning with Fr Rob. Many parents in attendance commented on how well the children are progressing and how confident they all are. Thank to Miss Butler for her hard work in organising such a meaningful celebration.

In our Gospel this week, where Jesus healed the blind man, we learned that God calls us to use our gifts and not to ignore the problems that we see. A better world needs all of us to play our part. Thank you to all the children in our school for taking action. They know that if anything seems wrong or unfair, there is a lot they can do to help change it.

Finally, I'd like to say a huge thank you to a much-loved member of our team, Mrs Grossi. She has worked in our school office for the past 6 years and will sadly be leaving us at the end of April. We will all miss her immensely but know that she is looking forward to embarking on an exciting new career opportunity. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

God bless! Mrs Grace



News at St Hughs

In response to cases of Meningitis and Meningococcal Disease linked to the University of Kent and the local area, and related national media coverage, we are aware that you may be looking for guidance on how to respond to concerns and queries. An article has been published on the Surrey Education Services hub with information about signs and symptoms and signposting to where additional information can be found.

[Meningitis and Meningococcal Disease | Surrey Education Services](#)

[Wednesday Word | The Sunday Gospel | Catholic Church](#)

Click the link below for the latest Wednesday Word.



SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL
WITH SCHOOLS,
PARENTS & FAMILIES

News at St Hughs

KS1 Bake Sale Success for Mary's Meals

On Thursday after school, St Hugh of Lincoln School was filled with excitement as our KS1 children hosted a wonderful bake sale in support of Mary's Meals. The event was a fantastic success, with a great turnout from families and a wide variety of delicious homemade treats on offer.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents and carers who generously contributed cakes and baked goods. Your support and effort made the event truly special and ensured there was something for everyone to enjoy. We would also like to give special thanks to the volunteers who gave their time to help run the sale their help was invaluable in making the event run so smoothly.

Thanks to the enthusiasm of our school community, we are delighted to share that we raised a fantastic amount for this important charity. The funds raised will go towards providing nutritious meals to children in some of the world's poorest communities, helping them to attend school and gain an education.

Through initiatives like this, our pupils are learning the importance of kindness, generosity, and helping others. The money raised will make a real difference, giving children the chance to learn, grow, and build a brighter future.



SORA

We are still able to provide your children with lots of fantastic books to read during the holiday through our online library. Please log on to The Hampshire School Library e platform Sora. Your children will be able to choose ebooks, audio books and magazines to borrow. To find out more about the service the library service have created a short information video. Log in details can be found in your child's reading diary.

With Sora, you can get free ebooks and audiobooks from your school.

1

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2

In Sora, find your school (or enter your school's setup code), then sign in.

3

Setup code: hampshiresls

4

Close the book and go to your **Shelf** to see all your books (including assignments). From there, you can:

- Tap **Open Book** or **Open Audiobook** to read or listen to the book.
- Tap **Options** to renew or return the book, get to your notes and highlights, and more.

Mr Ellson's Camino Francés pilgrimage

In April, Mr Ellson will be completing the 800km Camino Francés pilgrimage from France to Spain to raise money for music education St Hugh's school and the other eight primary schools he teaches at. All funds raised will be shared equally between the schools and ring-fenced for music, helping to support instrumental lessons, resources, and continued participation in the programme.

Please see the link below if you would like to support Mr Ellson's pilgrimage.

LINK: <https://gofund.me/00549fe33>





THE GOVERNORS

& THE FRIENDS

SPONSORED EASTER BUNNY RUN & COLOURING COMPETITION

26 MARCH 2026 | DURING PE LESSON

Please see Classlist or the email sent
for more information.



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News at St Hughs

Lunch Time Clubs



**St Hugh's
Lunchtime Chess Club**

**Years
3-6**

**Beginners
welcome**



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Monday 13th July 2026 (12 weeks)**

Time: 12.45-1.15pm

Cost: £60

**Contact Paul/Jo at paulwellingchess@gmail.com
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Betty & Brook
arts and crafts

ART CLUB

'FUTURE CREATIVES' PART 2

Thursdays 3.15-5pm
Years 1-6
16th April - 25th June 2026
£125, with 10% sibling discount
To book visit:
<https://linktr.ee/bettyandbrook> or
email bettyandbrook@gmail.com for
more information



Parents can book via

<https://linktr.ee/bettyandbrook>



PLANET SOCCER COACHING

SCHOOL CLUBS

ST HUGH OF LINCOLN PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUMMER TERM 2026

Monday – Football Club
3:15 – 4:15pm | Year R-6

Thursday – Multi Sports Club
3:15 – 4:15pm | Year R-6

Bookings Open Friday 20th March

For Dates, Prices & Bookings Visit:
<https://bookwhen.com/planetsoccerclubs1>
or scan the QR code

For more information contact us on
admin@planet-soccer.info
01483 363190



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[Planet Soccer Clubs 1 - Booking by Bookwhen](https://bookwhen.com/planetsoccerclubs1)

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Reception - Saint Bernadette

On Wednesday, Reception made the most of the change in the weather as they became 'Nature Detectives' looking for signs of spring in our school grounds. They were thrilled to feel the warm sun on their faces; hear birds singing and insects buzzing as well as seeing bees, beetles, butterflies, new leaf buds on trees and many beautiful flowers in bloom. In the Creation Garden, they took some time out to give prayers of thanks to God for the wonderful gift of life on Earth. Let's all make sure that we look after our environment and take some time out to stop and really appreciate the wonders of spring!



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Phonics

Group C - <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/acP4Z4TI/XmFbeTID>

Ditty - <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Yi6HWOGD/7oR7KV26>

Green - <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/1w0fBJMw/253glfT0>

Year 1 - Saint George

Year 1 loved welcoming so many of you to their class Liturgy on Friday. The children have been extremely dedicated in their practice this week, and this was evident in the way they led the Liturgy. All of the adults in Year 1 were incredibly proud of each and every child for how they conducted themselves. It was a beautiful morning, and we hope you enjoyed it as much as the children enjoyed leading it.



Thank you for your continued support.

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Purple group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/d6m2F3jH/Ple9ZRim>

Yellow group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/livxa8h2/ucl89SQ7>

Blue group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/livxa8h2/ucl89SQ7>



Year 2 - Saint Francis

Well done Year 2. You have been incredible and persevered brilliantly this last week. In Maths, we have come to the end of our unit on measuring, having looked at measurement of capacity and temperature. In English, the children have completed their non chronological report on Kenya along with some interesting facts, which may surprise you. In History, the children have consolidated all that they have learnt about holidays in decades past by writing a short story of a holiday and the activities they completed and they have begun constructing their Ferris wheel using a cardboard box and paper plate.



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Blue Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/i12p7RVz/1ievjGcB>

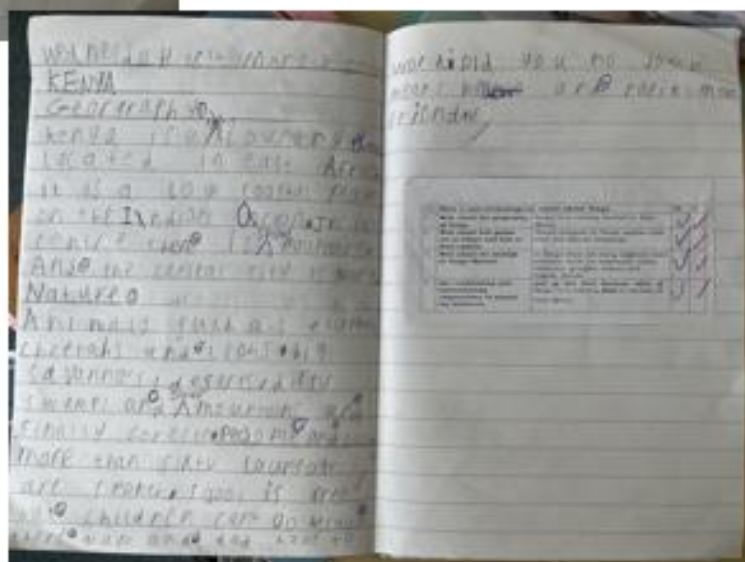
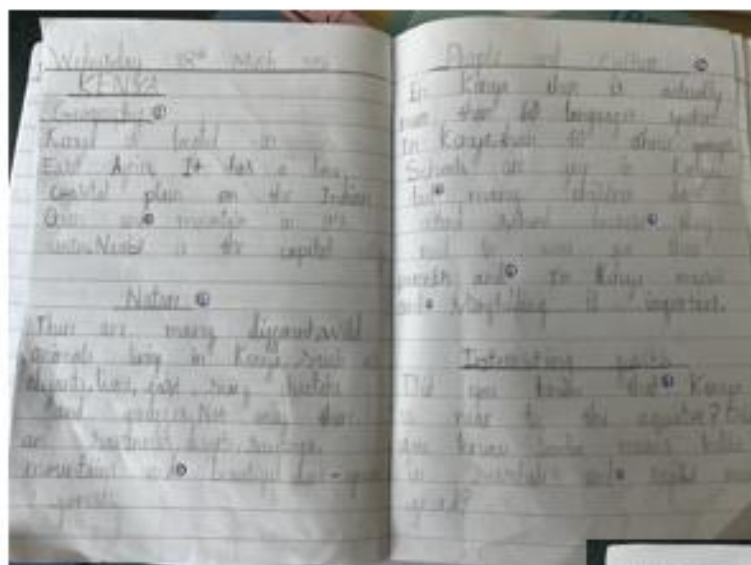
Grey Group:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/I4I2DzPg/NkvjcfQx>

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Spelling

This week's spelling rule: The u sound spelt o and the or sound spelt ar after w. Example: brother, nothing

Focus words: friend, watch, whole, were, April



Year 3 – Saint Veronica

This week in Science, we are still working hard at our What Plants Need topic. Following a very successful first experiment, we are now setting up an experiment to find out which type of soil helps radishes grow best. We planted seeds in different types of soil and have made predictions. Last time, we realised that there were maybe a few factors that made our test unfair, so this time we are monitoring our variables carefully so that everything else stays the same. Over the next week and a bit, we'll be observing the pots to see which soil produces the healthiest radish plants.



Our spelling rule this week is: Adding the suffix -ly
For example: suddenly, humbly, gently, completely, carefully, finally
Orange words: separate, accident, build, naughty, imagine, quarter

Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Year 4 had a fantastic and enriching school trip to Sayers Croft, perfectly linked to their Geography unit on 'Rivers'. The children began the day with great enthusiasm during their river study activity. They thoroughly enjoyed exploring the stream, identifying different species and recognising various parts of the river as they journeyed downstream. It was wonderful to see their curiosity and engagement throughout the activity. Afterwards, the children gathered around the campfire to enjoy their lunch, which was a lovely opportunity to relax and socialise in a natural outdoor setting. In the afternoon, teamwork took centre stage as the children were split into three groups and challenged to build sturdy, effective, and waterproof dens using logs. They demonstrated excellent communication, problem-solving skills, and creativity during this task. To conclude the day, the children took part in a pond dipping activity. They learned how to safely use nets at the water's edge, as well as the best stance to maximise their chances of catching species in their buckets. What a fantastic and enriching day it has been, with all children showing enthusiasm, resilience, teamwork, and a keen interest in outdoor learning!



Our special focus in spelling this week is: Adding the prefix super -
Examples: superhero, superstar, superglue.

Orange words: earth, famous, therefore, potatoes, possible, pressure.



Year 5 Saint Raphael

This week in Science, our Year 5 children explored the explosive reaction between vinegar and bicarbonate of soda. When the bicarbonate of soda is dropped into vinegar, it creates a chemical reaction that produces carbon dioxide gas – and to make the experiment even more interesting, we added raisins to the mixture to witness the reaction. The carbon dioxide gas formed bubbles that attached to the raisins, causing them to rise and fall in the liquid – to great excitement from everybody! We varied the amount of vinegar added to see if this would affect the result, which helped our critical-thinking skills. In Computing, we are continuing planning for our video productions – we have mapped out our storyboard ideas and have been writing our scripts. Topics range from nature and books to theme parks and dancing! The children are excited to begin filming next week and are planning which (sensible!) prop they can bring in to feature in their videos. They will then get to edit their different scenes together; we can't wait to see their finished productions.

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Our 6 orange words are: desperate determined develop dictionary disastrous embarrass



Year 6 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

The Classroom has been full of our model playgrounds this week. The children have worked hard to develop their designs into prototypes. They have also worked on their construction skills – including marking out, cutting, sawing and using a range of fixatives including hot glue guns. In English, we have been developing the suspense further in our writing based on the short film Francis. We have developed sentence lengths, use of tenses to shift formality and ensuring our punctuation allows the reader to interpret our stories in the way we want them to. In RE, we have been considering whether Jesus had a fair trial before his crucifixion. We have analysed the evidence and put forward our ideas – which mainly concluded that he definitely didn't! We have continued our SATs rotation practise identifying which areas we need to consolidate, and we have been adding these to our orange revision books. Finally, a very well done to our netballers who had a great first match against St John's which we won. There was super sportsmanship all round.

Our 6 orange words are: ancient, appreciate, apparent, available, average, attached,

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News

Logging Absence

All 'on the day' absences need to be reported through Arbor by 9am. This needs to be completed every morning that your child is absent. We have removed our absence line on our telephone system. Below is a reminder on how to report on the day absences on the Arbor parent portal:

- Log onto the Parent Portal in Arbor
- Select Attendance under Quick Actions
- If you are using a mobile device press the 'three lines' at the bottom left of the screen
- Select Log Absence
- Complete the absence time (only for that day) and the reason for absence
- Press Log Absence

To report a future absence such as a medical appointment please send a message to attendance@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk at least 48 hours prior to the appointment.

Any requests for an absence for exceptional circumstances requires you to submit a request for leave of absence using the Microsoft form linked [here](#). This link can also be found on our website under Parents/Useful Forms & Links or Parents/Attendance. Permission will not be granted for holidays booked in term-time.

Absences not reported in the correct way may result in an 'unauthorised absence' being recorded.

Can you please ensure that you have downloaded the Arbor app and are able to log on to Parent Portal. The app can be downloaded for free via the App Store or Google Play. Please log on and check all information for your child on Arbor especially emergency contacts and addresses. Any changes can be updated via the Arbor portal. The portal is also a good way to track your child's school attendance.

Further help and information on using Arbor can be found on our website -

<https://sthughoflincolnsurrey.ovw10.devwebsite.co.uk/page/?title=Parent+Portal+%2D+Arbor&pid=170>

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