



# St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

## Weekly Newsletter

21<sup>st</sup> November 2025

### Dates for the diary

#### November

- 22<sup>nd</sup> Choir singing at 6pm Mass
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Christmas Bazaar 11am-2pm, church hall
- 24<sup>th</sup> Assessment Week

#### December

- 1<sup>st</sup> School Closure St Francis Xavier Feast Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> KS2 Advent Reflections in church – 9.15 start approx. – exact timings TBC
- 10<sup>th</sup> Nativity performance - 2:15 Reception parents and year 2 parents with children with surnames N-Z.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Nativity performance - 2:15: Year 1 parents and year 2 parents with children with surnames A-M
- 12<sup>th</sup> Carols With Our Choir 3.15 KS2 Playground – parents welcome to join in at collection time.
- 19<sup>th</sup> End of Autumn term 1pm finish

### Mrs Grace

Dear parents and carers,



I was delighted to receive a phone call from Will Forster MP's office this week with the good news that a child from St Hugh Of Lincoln Catholic Primary had won his Christmas Card design competition. Rudie from Year 2's design was chosen out of hundreds of others from schools all over Woking. Mr Forster then joined the whole school on a 'Teams' call to announce the winner himself during Thursday morning's assembly. It was so exciting for the children. Well done to all those who entered the competition.

Mr Forster will be sending his Christmas cards out this weekend and every one of them will bear Rudie's design. We are all very proud of Rudie – a big 'well done' to him!.

On Monday, we celebrated The feast of our patron saint, Saint Hugh with Fr Rob. Mass was a joyful celebration, as usual, and the choir treated us to a performance of one of their winning songs from The Woking Music festival Competition.

Wishing you a lovely weekend. God bless. Mrs Grace.



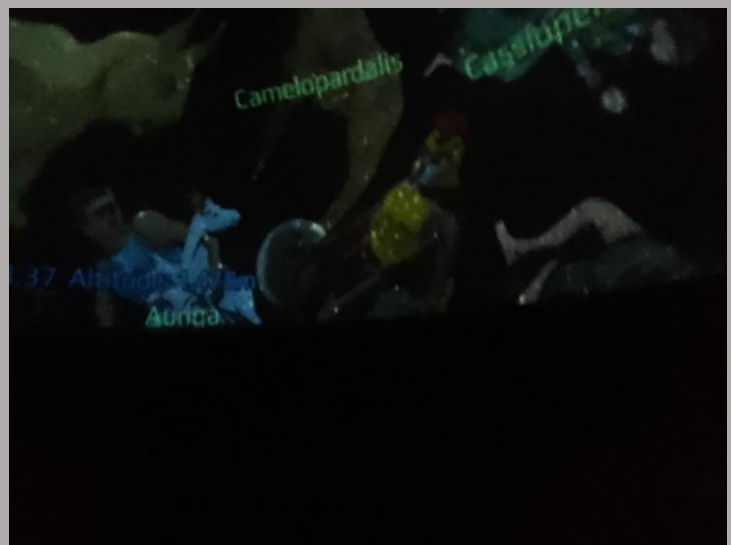
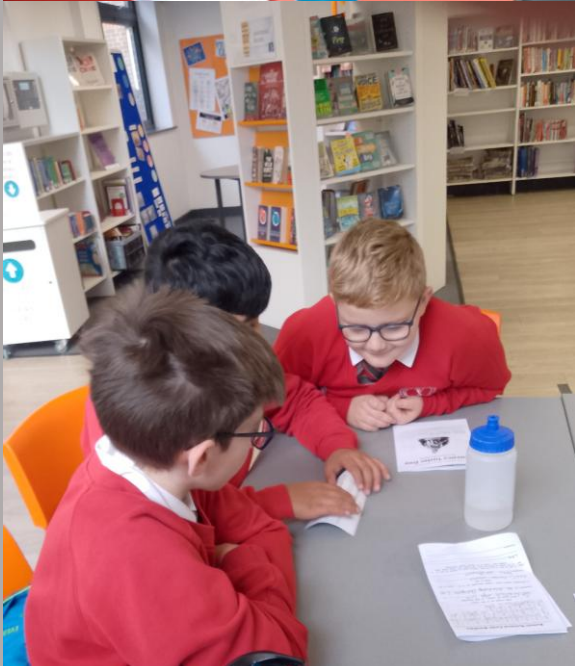
## News at St Hugh

### Year 5 Latin Experience Morning at Winston Churchill Secondary School

A group of our Year 5 children recently enjoyed an exciting Latin Experience Morning at Winston Churchill Secondary School. Joining pupils from several other primary schools, they took part in a lively carousel of activities designed to bring the ancient world to life.

The children explored Roman numerals through fun challenges, stepped into the planetarium to discover how Greek and Roman gods are linked to the stars, and worked collaboratively with new friends throughout the morning.

Staff at Winston Churchill Secondary were full of praise for our pupils, whose enthusiasm, curiosity, and outstanding behaviour shone through in every session. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to broaden their learning and experience a taste of secondary school life.



## News at St Hugh

### Pupil Parliament

At our recent whole school assembly, the Year 5 Pupil Parliament ambassadors proudly shared their exciting plans to make our school an even better place. From caring for the environment with eco activities and planting zones to promoting wellbeing through play days and kindness challenges, each committee had brilliant ideas. They spoke about encouraging sport for everyone, creative art and reading competitions, fundraising for good causes and improving e-safety. The ambassadors also helped choose our next whole school reward, which will be a Fun Day filled with activities for all. Their hard work and creativity show how committed our pupils are to making school positive, inclusive and full of opportunities.



## News at St Hugh

### Carols With Our Choir



We are delighted to announce that Mr Ellson will be leading a special event at collection time on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 3.15pm.

Our wonderful KS2 choir will be singing well known carols to lift pick-up time with some joyful Christmas spirit.

We would like the KS2 choir to stay until approximately 3.45pm to lead the carol singing and we invite you all to join in.

If your child is in the KS2 School choir, please could you confirm on scopay that they will be able to stay for the duration of the concert.

Mrs Grace

## Xavier Trust Governance Professional

### Trust Governance Professional

Xavier, which is our school's Catholic Education Trust, are looking to appoint a person with the suitable skills and experience to lead on governance within the Trust. The successful applicant will go on to play a key role in securing excellence in Catholic education across Surrey. Please see the link below for more details:



# Hampshire Book Recommendations

Dear parents and carers,

Please see below this month's book recommendations from Hampshire Library. This can support you with finding engaging books for your children at home. If your children love animal stories, these books could be for them!

Best wishes,  
Miss Butler










If you enjoy

# Animal Stories

you'll like these










## Friends News



# THE FRIENDS CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

THURSDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

7pm - 9pm | St Hugh's School Hall | Price: £35  
Tickets include a tutorial, equipment & refreshments

Link to buy tickets: [Classlist.com](https://www.classlist.com)



# Christmas BAZAAR

SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER

11AM-2PM

ST HUGH OF LINCOLN  
CHURCH HALL

**FATHER CHRISTMAS  
ARRIVES AT  
12.10PM**

Refreshments available plus...

Pin the nose on the reindeer, name the elf,  
Christmas tree ping pong and more!

LOOK OUT ON CLASSLIST FOR  
STALL SIGN UPS NEXT WEEK!



# Reception – Saint Bernadette

What an exciting week YR have had. On Thursday afternoon Chertsey Toy museum came to visit us and show us toys old and new. Some of the toys they showed us were 100 years old! Even older than Mrs Barker! The children learnt that the toys from the past were made from wood and metal and duller in colour. We made a zoetrope, and we were able to play with modern versions of the toys from the past.

“Some of the toys look old because the pictures are coming off and they are worn” Aurora

“This toy is old because it is very rusty” Gigi

“Some toys from the past cost lots of money” Albert



**Read Write Inc.**  
Phonics

<http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/5Mbs0q6n/NkSxD6IT>

# Year 1 - Saint George

This week, we celebrated St. Hugh of Lincoln's Feast Day! Following a beautiful Mass in the morning, the children learnt about St. Hugh and his devotion to God. As a class, we created stained glass windows and decorated them with symbols representing St. Hugh. It was a wonderful day filled with joy and creativity! In History, we have continued our learning about life in the 1950's. The children were amazed to discover what a mangle does and how TVs were so different! Another great week of learning, well done everyone.



## Read Write Inc. Phonics

Green group- <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Y5Qltw0x/6GsK5x8B>

Pink group- <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/GwMAIuIb/kidRxzo1>

Purple group - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/GwMAIuIb/kidRxzo1>

Orange group- <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/GwMAIuIb/kidRxzo1>



# Year 2 – Saint Francis

We had a wonderful, frosty week in Year 2! In English, we read the next few pages of Esio Trot and began to understand Mr. Hoppy's plans. In English and History, as part of our topic on the Great Fire of London, we wrote fire poems imagining that we lived in 1666 and witnessed that terrible night. In RE, we listened to the story of the Annunciation and discussed how Mary might have felt when the Angel Gabriel appeared. The highlight of our week was an unexpected Science lesson on Wednesday when it started to snow in the middle of the morning! We spent some time outside observing the snow and making hypotheses about why the rain had turned into snowflakes and why it sometimes melts on the ground but not on the plastic shed. We concluded that the temperature of different materials affects whether snow stays or melts. What a fun and exciting live learning experience!



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Phonics

Blue Group: <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/iaiRUKz4/02TMSHCw>  
Grey Group:  
<http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/o0XICYHP/tVmOqvVO>

**Read Write Inc.**  
Spelling

**This week's spelling rule:**

**Some words begin the the n sound spelt gn. Example: gnome.**

**Red words (RECAP THESE): everybody, there, could, would.**



# Year 3 – Saint Veronica

This week in Geography, we have been exploring climate in deserts. We have learnt about the tropical desert climate and how there are few animals and plants that can live in the harsh conditions. We know that the Sahara is one of the biggest deserts in the whole world. We had a go at matching the Sahara, Mojave, Gobi and Namibian deserts to their locations on a map.



**Read Write Inc.**  
Spelling

**Our spelling rule this week is: Adding the suffix -ment**

**For example: enjoyment, treatment, movement, attachment, judgement, amazement**

**Orange words: guard, decide, purpose, continue, recent, increase**

# Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

This week, Year 4 have had another fantastic week of learning. On the 17th of November, they celebrated our patron saint, St Hugh of Lincoln's feast day. The children enjoyed learning about his life, the story of the swan, and how his values connect with our mission statement, "In faith and love we learn and grow." They then had great fun creating vibrant stained-glass windows featuring a swan to symbolise St Hugh's love and care for animals.



Our special focus in spelling this week is: adding the suffix – 'ion'.

Examples: collection, hesitation, invention.

Orange words: mention, answer, surprise, anyone, material, promise.

**Read Write Inc.**  
Spelling



# Year 5 Saint Raphael

Year 5 recently enjoyed a wonderful and enriching trip to the planetarium at Winston Churchill School where they were able to deepen their understanding of the Earth, Moon and Sun and explore how these three celestial bodies move in relation to one another. The immersive show captured their imaginations as they learned about day and night, the seasons and the different phases of the Moon, all of which linked beautifully to our work in class. The children were also fascinated to discover more about the other planets in our solar system and were eager to share the facts they had learned about their unique features from Mercury's scorching surface to the icy winds of Neptune. The interactive displays encouraged them to ask thoughtful questions and sparked a great deal of excitement about space and the wider universe. Throughout the entire visit the pupils demonstrated excellent behaviour. They were attentive, polite and showed genuine interest in the activities, representing the school proudly and receiving kind compliments from the planetarium staff.



**Our 6 orange words are:** identity immediate(ly) individual interfere interrupt language



# Year 6 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

What a busy week! We began by leading the school in our mass for St Hugh of Lincoln and then had our trip to London. The children thoroughly enjoyed finding out about how parliament works and we were surprised by our MP Will Foster who came out to see us at the end of our tour. We then headed to Tate Britain where we were surprised by some of the artworks and captivated by others. We have since written formal letters to Mr Foster to thank him for our visit and to ask him more about his role.



**Our 6 orange words are: Thorough, harass, identity, accommodate, cemetery, according**

**Read Write Inc.**  
Spelling



# Information Board



Woking Football Club have asked us to share some information about their Girls Emerging Talent Centre; a development programme designed to support and inspire girls who show an interest and potential in football, improving both their skills and confidence on the pitch.

The ETC sessions run on Monday evenings at Woking College and are open to girls in Year 3 through to Year 6 in the first session, and Year 7 to 8 in the second session. They are offering a taster package for pupils who may wish to try the programme before the ETC launches fully in January 2026.

## FRAZER FOWLER

Assistant Head of Community & Girls Phase Lead

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🌐 [wokingcfc.org](http://wokingcfc.org)

📱 [wokingfcacademy](https://www.instagram.com/wokingfcacademy) | [cardinalstc01](https://www.facebook.com/cardinalstc01)   [wokingfcacademy](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwokingfcacademy) | [cardinalstc](https://www.facebook.com/cardinalstc)

## Reminders

### Parking

The Surrey pub kindly allow us to use their parking. Please park considerately avoiding the disabled bays and electric charging bays.

When picking up from an extra curricular club please do not drive up to the school, the carpark and road is busy when the club finishes and we need to keep the children safe.

The only exception to this is if your child is attending the wraparound breakfast or afterschool club you may use the carpark to collect your child.

### School Absence

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

### Safeguarding

We seek to provide a safe and happy environment for all children. This means that we have a Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy and procedures in place. If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard, or [dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk) as soon as possible the same day.