



St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

12th December 2025

Dates for the diary

December

16th Christmas lunch and Christmas parties in the afternoon – Children may wear Christmas jumpers/MUFTI
19th End of Autumn term 1pm finish

January

5th – start of Spring Term
23rd Y4 Class Mass

February

13th Reception Class Learn and Share for parents in school hall.
16th-20th – Half Term



Mrs Grace

Dear parents and carers,
Thank you to all the parents who joined us to watch the amazing production of The Nativity by Reception class, Year 1 and Year 2. It was such a polished performance! Well done to all our amazing children who sang and read their lines confidently and clearly with such a sense of joy. We all enjoyed watching you very much! My thanks go to all the staff who have been working so hard to make this into such a success: Mrs Barker, Miss Scott, Miss Butler, Mrs Medina, Mrs Avery, Mrs Pinto, Mrs Nacca, Mrs Still, Mrs Fazzone.

We all enjoyed a few carols outside at collection time on Friday thanks to our amazing school choir and The Friends PTA who supplied hot drinks and mince pies. Thank you, parents once again, for joining us to support this fantastic event to help fundraise for our school. Thank you, Mr Elson for organising the event. Have a lovely weekend! God bless. Mrs Grace.



Important Reminder

Parking

As a reminder, please do not park or drive down Five Oaks Close. We strive to maintain a good relationship with our neighbours. Unfortunately, we have had a few complaints from the residents this week regarding parents blocking drives and parking in the turning points. 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.



This Christmas we are fundraising for Cafod. If you can, please donate using the QR code below. We wish you and your families merry Christmas!



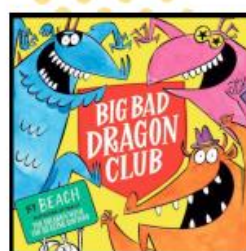
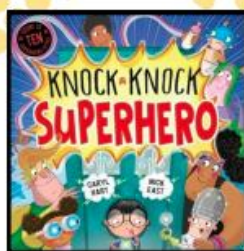
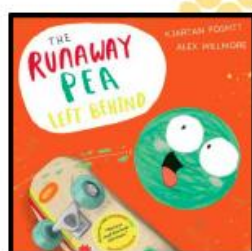
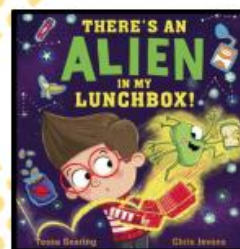
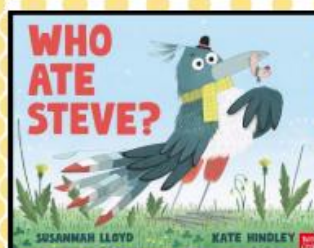
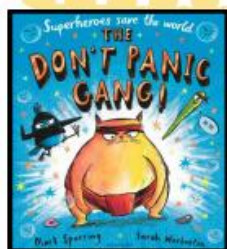
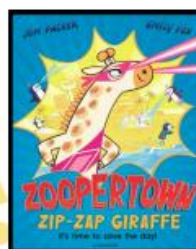
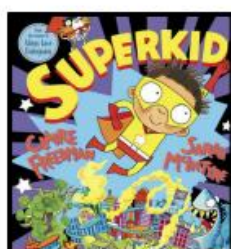
Hampshire Book Recommendations

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 Supertato, these books could be for them!

Best wishes,
Miss Butler

IF you enjoy
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you will like these...





FRIENDS NEWS



RECYCLE KIND: DONATION BAGS

Thurs 18th Dec AM | Drop off outside the School office

As it's our first collection with this new company we will receive 60p per kilo (previous company was 35-40p).

Please note: The new company do not provide bags and do not accept school uniform (please use the yellow road grit bin by KS2 playground for pre-loved uniform).



Let's Turn Unwanted Clothes into Funds for Our School!

- ✓ Children's & adults' clothing
- ✓ Paired shoes
- ✓ Bags, belts, accessories , jewellery
- ✓ Soft toys

- x Pillows, duvets, blankets
- x Dirty or damaged items
- x Corporate/workwear/school uniform
- x Textile offcuts, yarns
- x Carpets, rugs, mats

THANK YOU

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Thank you to the parents who helped with the Elfridges shop and the Carols refreshments today.



CHRISTMAS ARTWORK ORDERS

Due to a series of unfortunate events, there is a small delay on the Christmas artwork order.

Unfortunately, the company we usually use went into administration between the Friends posting out the artwork (tracked) and the company receiving it. We have spent a considerable amount of time tracking the parcel between the Royal Mail sorting depots and working with them to try to retrieve the parcel. We have also worked hard to find another provider who can supply products of the same quality at the same price.

The new provider has now received the original artwork and has committed to getting the products to us by the 15th December at the latest.

Royal Mail Christmas post dates are: 1st Class: Sat 20th Dec | 2nd Class: Wed 17th Dec

We will provide any further updates as we get them to you as soon as possible. We kindly ask for a little more patience. Thank you.

Reception – Saint Bernadette

This week in RE we have learnt all about how different countries prepare for the birth of Jesus. In Colombia they put candles out in the street, and everyone walks around the streets enjoying the lights. In Iceland the night before Christmas they wrap up books and give them to everyone. They then all sit together and read the books. In India they make pastries, cakes and tarts. YR liked this tradition! Delicious!



Read Write Inc.
Phonics

<http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/zcRO1zPs/e9YjPdhA>

Year 1 - Saint George

What a wonderful week we have had! The children have worked incredibly hard, and this week we were delighted to share our Nativity performance with you all. We are immensely proud of every child for their dedication and enthusiasm throughout the rehearsals and the final performances. Their singing, acting, and confidence on stage were truly impressive. We hope you enjoyed watching the Nativity as much as the children enjoyed performing it, and that it helped bring a little extra festive cheer!



Read Write Inc. Phonics

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Pink group- <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/31Wh7neP/Fag1h8U8>

Orange group - <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/31Wh7neP/Fag1h8U8>

Yellow group- <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/31Wh7neP/Fag1h8U8>



Year 2 – Saint Francis

This week's highlight in Year 2 was definitely our amazing Nativity performance! Mrs Medina and Mrs Avery are extremely proud of each one of the children in our class for how wonderfully they performed in front of KS2 on Tuesday and parents and carers on Wednesday and Thursday. They have worked really hard on the past few weeks to put together a great show to watch: rehearsing their lines, practising the songs and learning how to speak loud and clear in front of an audience. It has been a great learning curve for us and our oracy skills, and the result has been outstanding. Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped practising at home too! **Thank you to the parents that could come and watch us, it has been a pleasure to share this special performance with you.** 😊



Blue Group: <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Egp00Yzc/i4d9NyJU>

Grey Group: <http://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/XZvbf3n4/Db7cfbiN>

This week's spelling rule: Adding the suffix -ing

If a word ends in a short vowel (a,e,i,o,u) and a consonant, double the consonant before adding -ing. Example: spotting.

Focus words: Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Mary, Joseph, Jesus.

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Year 3 – Saint Veronica

This week, Miss Okon would like to say a huge well done and thank you to all of Year 3. Every single child worked so hard to prepare our Hope of Heaven song and dance. The hard work paid off! In RE, we've been looking at Jesus as a King. He isn't a usual king. He is the King of love, joy, hope and peace. We made crowns to celebrate this fact.



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Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is: Words ending in -tion

For example: station, lotion, fiction, section, caption, emotion

Orange words: pressure, through, address, ordinary, forwards, position

Year 4 - Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Year 4 have had another fantastic week of learning. On Wednesday, they visited Haslemere Museum to explore their current History topic on Ancient Egypt. The children impressed our trip lead, Kay, with their excellent recall of classroom learning and enthusiasm for the topic. They were fascinated to learn about the mummification process, including how organs were preserved in canopic jars and the Ancient Egyptian belief that thinking was done by the heart, not the brain. The children showed great respect when viewing a real mummified body in the museum. In the afternoon, the children had lots of fun mummifying their own teddies and creating colourful masks hieroglyphics to go with them.



Our special focus in spelling this week is: adding the prefix 're'.

Examples: reappear, reheat, renew.

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Spelling

Orange words: business, brother, believe, possible, purpose, particular.



Year 5 Saint Raphael

Year 5 Shine in Second Advent Reflection: “The Promise of Light”

On Friday, our school gathered for the second performance of our Advent reflection, “The Promise of Light”, presented to KS1 by Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. The atmosphere was prayerful and joyful as we explored the themes of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. Year 6 narrated the reflection, while Years 3 and 4 contributed through dance and role play. Year 5 played a key role with a dramatic piece about John the Baptist, proclaiming that Christ was coming. The children confidently retold the moment John cried out, “Repent! Prepare the way for the Lord!”, showing real understanding of the message. Every Year 5 pupil had a speaking part, whether as John, members of the crowd or narrators helping younger children understand John’s role in preparing hearts for Jesus. Music added to the celebration, with hymns such as “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” and a beautiful choir performance of “The Little Road to Bethlehem”. We are incredibly proud of Year 5 for their reverent performance and the thoughtful way they supported KS1 in entering the spirit of Advent.



Our 6 orange words are: neighbour nuisance occupy occur opportunity parliament



Year 5 Saint Raphael



Year 6 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

We are learning about metric and imperial measures in Maths this week, converting miles to kilometres and inches to centimetres. We have also been learning about women who take Holy Orders and how they mirror the Fiat that Mary made to God at The Annunciation. We have made links to the three Holy Vows. In DT we have been continuing with our waistcoats and practising our sewing skills. In English we are getting towards the end of our book Holes and have been writing some flash back stories in the style of Louis Sachar drawing on our understanding of the text. We are very proud of our performance in the Advent Reflection last week and have shown it to the younger children.

Our 6 orange words are: Temperature, communicate, language, familiar, dictionary, aggressive

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Spelling



News at St Hugh

ND LIVE WEBINAR FOR PARENTS/CARERS DELIVERED BY LEARNING SPACE

Book a place on this two hour live webinar exploring neurodivergent conditions, with a particular emphasis on autism and ADHD; whilst also looking at PDA and anxiety.

This webinar is for **parents and carers** of any child or young person with an ND need, whether diagnosed or not. **Please note we will need you to sign up at least a day in advance of the session.**

Dates

- Day 1: Wednesday 14 January 12:00-2:00pm
- Day 2: Monday 19 January 6:00-8:00pm
- Day 3: Wednesday 21 January 12:00-2:00pm
- Day 4: Wednesday 4 February 12:00-2:00pm
- Day 5: Monday 23 February 6:00-8:00pm
- Day 6: Wednesday 4 March 12:00-2:00pm
- Day 7: Monday 9 March 6:00-8:00pm
- Day 8: Wednesday 25 March 12:00-2:00pm

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ST HUGH'S AFTER SCHOOL CHESS CLUB

Years 3-6



PAUL WELLING CHESS



- Reasons for playing chess
- Encourages thinking ahead
- Proven to raise IQ!
- Increases problem solving skills
- Improves concentration
- It's fun!

Sessions will run from Monday 5th January to Monday 23rd March 2026 (11 weeks)

Time: 12.45-1.15pm

Cost: £52.25

For more details contact Paul/Jo on paulwellingchess@gmail.com

children with autism

A variety of 6-part support programmes for parents and carers of children with autism (or suspected autism) are available online and in-person around Surrey. Your child must live in Surrey or attend a Surrey education setting.



Early bird programme for parents of children aged 5 years and under

- Understanding autism
- Communication
- Understanding autistic experiences
- Supporting daily living
- Health and wellbeing
- Connections

Cygnet programme for parents of children aged 5-18 years old

- Introductory session
- Overview of autism with parent and carer experience
- Thinking & sensory
- Social interaction & communication
- Understanding & supporting behaviour
- Analysing behaviour

Teen life for parents of children aged 10-16 years old

- Understanding autism
- Understanding autistic identity
- Stress, anxiety and understanding behaviour
- Health and wellbeing
- Puberty
- Education and transitioning into adulthood

Can I ask some questions?

Email us on parenttraining@freemantles.surrey.sch.uk

How do I join a course?

Please scan the QR code to register your interest & be part of our mailing list. We will email you each time a new set of courses are available for booking.

Surrey Parent Training Programmes



Reminders

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 as soon as possible the same day.