



# St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

8<sup>th</sup> December 2023

## Dates for the diary

**12<sup>th</sup> December** –Nativity performance 1 for parents of YR and half of the Year 1 class. The show will commence at 2:15pm.

**13<sup>th</sup> December** – Nativity performance 2 for parents of Y2 and half of the Year 1 class. The show will commence at 2:15pm.

**19<sup>th</sup> December** –Christmas Lunch and Parties in afternoon – Children to wear Christmas jumpers/outfits

**21<sup>st</sup> December** – End of term early finish 1pm

**8<sup>th</sup> January** – Return to school

**15<sup>th</sup> January** – Stargazing Evening for KS2

**30<sup>th</sup> January** – Maths Workshop for parents and carers



## Mrs Grace

Dear parents and carers,

The season of Advent is a time of preparation when we are called to focus on meeting the Lord. At Christmas, we celebrate His arrival in the world as a baby, and we know that He will return at some unspecified point in the future. However, in the meantime, we have plenty of opportunities to encounter Jesus every day. Children at St Hugh's carry out acts of loving kindness every day. I'm always struck by how well our year 6 buddies fulfil their roles as playmakers with so much kindness towards the younger children. The School council are literally brimming with ideas for how we can get better at remembering our school values and our Eco Council are always leading the way to making our world a better place. Around school, the children have all been busy, as usual, working hard to learn new and exciting things as you will see in this week's newsletter.

God bless! Mrs Grace.



## News at St Hughs

### Reindeer Run for Woking Hospice

The Reindeer Run on Thursday kept everyone entertained and well exercised in PE lessons. How wonderful to see the children enjoying themselves while raising money to help others in need. Please send in your sponsorship as soon as possible. Many thanks for your help and support with this worthy cause.



### Advent Reflection

We were wonderfully entertained by all of KS2 on Wednesday when they performed their Advent Reflection at SJB. The clarity of the reading and confidence of the acting was particularly impressive as was the beautiful dancing and rousing singing. Thank you to all of them for helping us to remember the importance of Advent.





## News at St Hughs

KS2 were asked to be 'Space Cadets' for the afternoon when they were invited on a top secret mission! The interactive musical performance by Peer Productions titled Space Between (head and heart) as part of our PSHE curriculum, focused on feelings and emotions.

We had great fun joining Klank and the crew, visiting planets and meeting an alien called Bob, learning how 'we're different but the same'.



### Governor School Development Fund

Our school development fund enables the school to develop both buildings and resources to provide the best education for our children. It is made up of voluntary donations from the parents of children at St Hugh, for the benefit of the children at the school. In the last five years, contributions have funded or part-funded exciting ventures such as our school minibus (used for trips and sporting events), our creation garden, computing facilities and swimming lessons.

It is really easy to make a donation. If you would like to donate online the CAF Donate account for the Governor's Fund can be viewed here:

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/24548#!/DonationDetails>

Thank you for your support.

# Library Books

Please return all library books to school on **Monday 11th December** so they can be checked back in before the Christmas holidays.

Unfortunately, we will need to charge for any missing books as we get charged for them by the school library service. Children can bring in their own books from home to read until the end of term. 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. Year R and 1 Miss Bye will create your child's account next week.

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

- 1 Install the Sora app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, or go to [soraapp.com](http://soraapp.com).
  - 2 In Sora, find your school (or enter your school's setup code), then sign in.
  - 3 Setup code: [hampshiresls](#)
  - 4 Browse the **Explore** tab and borrow a book. Your book will open so you can start reading right away.
- 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.



Well done to the winners of our November reading competition.





# Reception – Saint Bernadette

This week, Reception have been so engaged by the traditional tale, The Three Billy Goats Gruff. They have absolutely loved retelling the story using masks, puppets and 'small world' set ups. The story has also provided a fabulous opportunity for them to explore materials and structures in more detail as they were set the challenge to build their own sturdy bridges. It was wonderful to witness the great planning, problem solving and team work as the children rose to the challenge! The rich discussion it produced as they suggested different materials and construction techniques and justified their reasoning really blew us away – well done children!



## Read Write Inc. Phonics

Let's learn a sound: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/pER2zLcb/qSityYk>

Fred Talk: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/c2blp9Cn/ReTsNash>

Some children might want to have a go at the spelling video.

Spelling: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/8y4eyg7Y/uM8RKgqH>





# Year 1 - Saint George

This week, Year 1 have written some beautiful diary entries. We have been working hard at remembering the features of a diary entry. We have been learning the importance of using a capital letter for the personal pronoun I. We have continued to up level our sentences by joining two simple sentences together with the word 'and'. We know that when we do this we create a compound sentence.

In maths we have been learning to name and recognise 3D shapes and in History we have been recognising the similarities and differences between toys from the 1950s and the toys we play with now. In RE we have been looking at the different ways Mary is honoured around the world. We created our own flowers and took a pilgrimage to our statue of Mary.



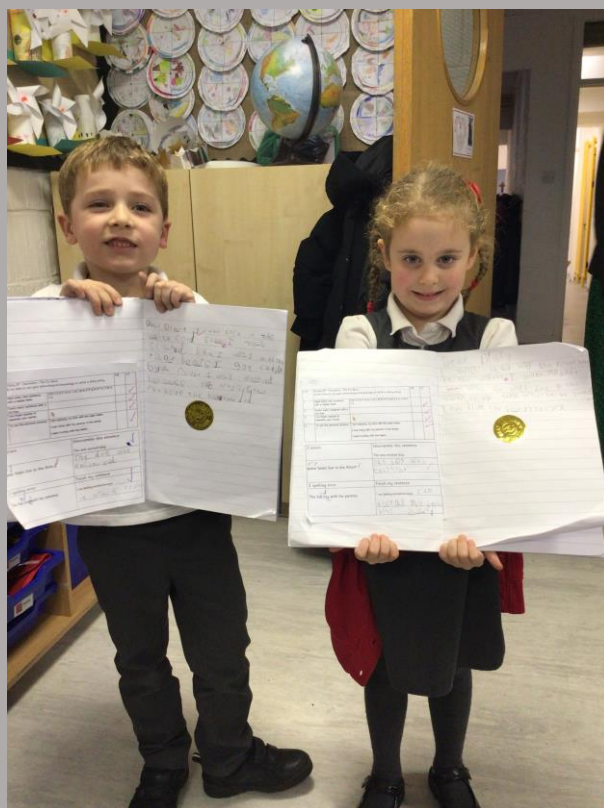
## Read Write Inc. Phonics

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Pink Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/UGRcqqSD/vVLSYtPx>

Orange Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/twV5rwD0/nmPMFLDk>



# Year 2 – Saint Francis

Year 2 had a busy week full of great learning. We were writing our non-chronological reports about tortoises, deepen our understanding of the consequences of the Great Fire in the city of London and also learning about Judaism and their holy day called Shabbat.

In maths we finished our addition and subtraction unit and we took ownership of our learning by modelling to our peers on the board how to add or subtract two 2-digit numbers. Mrs Medina sat on our carpet spot and we pretended to be the teacher! It was great to show our learning to our friends in the classroom.



**Read Write Inc.**  
Phonics

Mrs Avery's group:

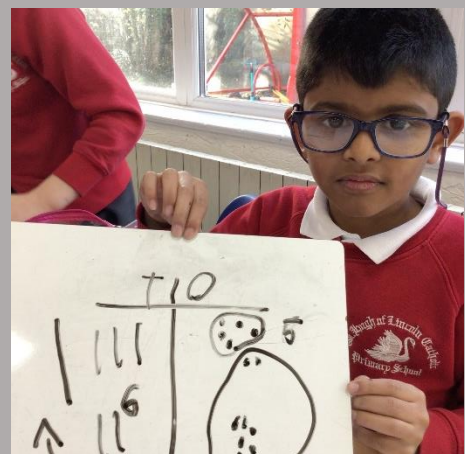
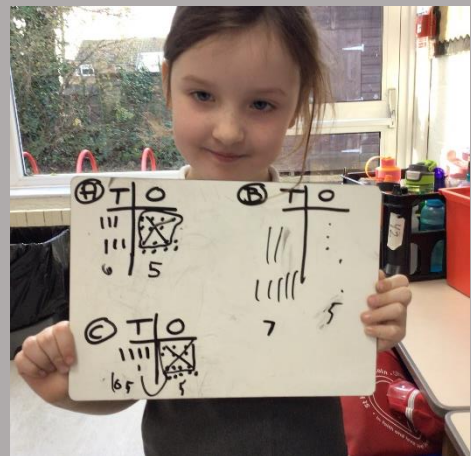
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**Read Write Inc.**  
Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is: **CONTINUE FROM LAST WEEK**

Most words that end in the **igh** sound are spelt with a **y**. For example: shy, dry, sky.

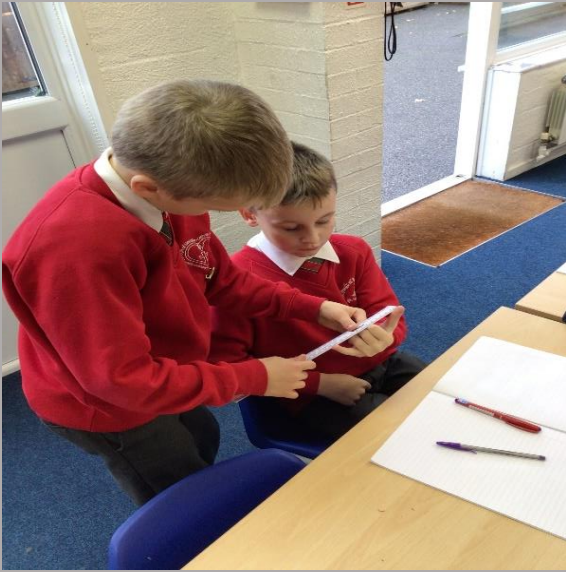
Our 6 red words are: me, house, children, who, why, what.





# Year 3 – Saint Veronica

In Science, we have been enjoying our topic of 'Movement and Feeding'. This week we have been looking at the relationships between our body dimensions, and things we can do. We investigated the question 'Can the person with the biggest hands grab the largest amount of sweets?' We recorded our results, and began to look at scatter graphs. We then planned and carried out our own experiments, looking at other body dimension relationships.



**Read Write Inc.**  
**Spelling**

**Our spelling rule this week is words ending in the suffix –less**

We will be adding the suffix –less to root words to make adjectives eg fearless, hopeless, pointless, harmless

**Our 6 orange words are:** anyone, ask, beautiful, actually, address, answer



# Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

This week in Year 4, we had a busy start to our week with the Advent Reflection dress rehearsal on Tuesday, which the KS1 enjoyed watching. Following on, Wednesday morning was the live performance, where the year 4 children performed tremendously! All children displayed great concentration and resilience throughout; you should all be super proud of yourselves.

A huge applaud goes to all of the Year 4 dancers. Thank you for your continued support, creativity, enthusiasm, and for going 'above and beyond' throughout all weeks of rehearsal. Your dedication and hard work truly paid off, what a beautiful performance to the soundtrack 'Fall on Me' by Andrea Bocelli. Miss Russell and other staff members are extremely proud of you all.



**Our spelling rule this week is:** words ending in **-tion**

e.g. station, lotion, potion, fiction

**Our 6 orange words are:** build, busy, calendar, continue, different, though

**Read Write Inc.**  
**Spelling**



# Year 5 – Saint Raphael

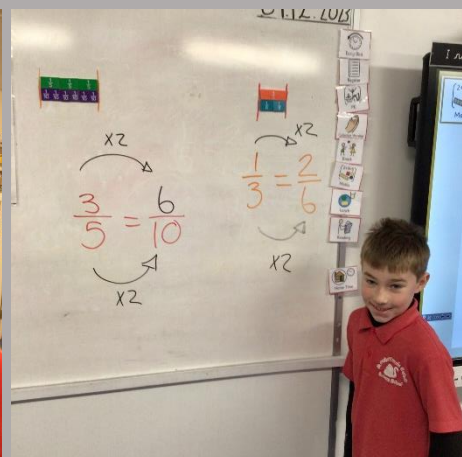
This week the children worked really hard during their maths lessons. They learned how to add fractions by changing the denominator first using their knowledge of equivalent fractions. In English, we were learning about play scripts and we have had some brilliant actors in the classroom! We have also had our reindeer run and they had so much fun! Excellent work Year 5!



**Read Write Inc.**  
Spelling

**Our spelling rule this week is:** Homophones: advise, advice

**Our 6 orange words are:** awkward, committee, accommodate, ancient, profession, opportunity





# Year 6 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

The year 6 children enjoyed taking part in the reindeer run on Thursday this week in one of their Physical Education sessions with Mr Trussler. Many of the children from across the school ran in antlers in aid of the Sam Beare Hospice. Woking & Sam Beare Hospice and Wellbeing Care is a charity that cares for thousands of patients and their carers and families each year. They specialise in delivering holistic care for patients with complex life-limiting and terminal illnesses. All the year 6 children ran the distance of a mile during their session and participated in other team-building games. Great work year 6!



## Read Write Inc. Spelling

Our spelling rule this week is: Adding suffixes –ing, -ed and -en

Our 6 orange words are: language, equipment, harass, identity, familiar, dictionary



## Friends News

### **HIGHLIGHTS & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.**

**Thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas pop up shop it was great fun and a huge success.**

#### **PANTO TICKETS....**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> SOLD OUT**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> tickets still available**

Please note that if you have not received a confirmation email from Classlist then your order has NOT been completed. Please be sure to check out to ensure you get your tickets.

**Seat Allocation will be coming out shortly**



#### **19 Dec School Christmas lunch and party –**

Christmas jumper day with crafts activities and presents.

A huge thank you to the friends who have donated all gifts and activities for our children to have a fulfilled day.



#### **Fr Christmas lost button**

They will be ready to collect from the office from Monday.



#### **CALLING ALL REPS!!!**

The bags are ready for collection from the office for party bag collating. Many thanks to you for your support.



#### **Did you know.....**

that we are registered to **Easyfundraising** and **GiveAsYouLive**? These are 2 fundraising platforms that give money to the charity when you shop online, at no cost to you! All you have to do is.....

- register, accept the donation reminder, choose
- "The Friends of St Hugh's School" as a cause.

Each time you visit an online shop, your PTA will get some money! With the donation reminder, you don't even need to go through their website it will automatically detect which sites will get you a donation!

We are pleased to share a full calendar of events for the whole year, please see below link:

<https://www.sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk/site/data/files/documents/0382DC6D7D218EB1EED41E3122A91860.pdf>

### **We are looking for volunteers for the following positions.**

If you think you could help please ask one of the committee.

**Second hand Uniform Manager**

**Meeting Volunteer** to oversee the children ( different volunteer every meet is fine)

**Management of the communications calendar** and work with Emma, who makes the posters for us.



## Information Board

# Breakfast and Afterschool Club

### Activity Fridays are Back!

December activity Fridays are back. Mrs Small and the team will be doing a fun Christmas craft in the afterschool club. The session will run until 4.30pm and will cost £7.

### 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, and report to Mrs Grace, Mrs Pickard or Mr Davies or [dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk) as soon as possible the same day.

