

St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

11th October 2024

Dates for the diary

15th October – Parents' Evening 3.30-6.15 on School Cloud 17th October - Parents' Evening 3.30-6.15 on School Cloud Tuesday 12th Nov Evening choir Competition in Woking more details to follow.

22nd November Y5 Class Mass 9am **29th November** Year 4 Class Mass 9am

6th December KS2 Advent Reflection performance at church 9am **11th December** Nativity 2.30pm for YR parents plus half of Y1 parents

12th **December** Nativity 2.30pm for Y2 parents and the other half of Y1 parents

20th December End of Autumn Term 1pm finish

Mrs Grace

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to our wonderful Year 6 for leading us at their class Mass this morning. It was a really lovely celebration which they shared with their parents and some of our governors. Thank you, as always, to Father Rob for celebrating the sacrament with us beautifully and for your wise words about remembering to be grateful for the fruits of the earth and for all the gifts we are so lucky to have but sometimes take for granted.

All around the school children have been engaged in their learning and we have really enjoyed welcoming parents in for book looks. The choir is in fine voice, once again, and we are looking forward to seeing them participate in a choral competition in a few weeks time. We will soon be releasing more information about that. It's exceptionally good news that now every child in our school has a voice! This week we had our very fist committee meetings for our Pupil Parliament. I am looking forward to meeting with the Ambassadors from each committee, who will share their committee's ideas as to how we can make our school even better than it already is! Have a wonderful weekend everyone! God Bless.

Mrs Grace.

Friday Choir Practice



Fun on the playground in KS2

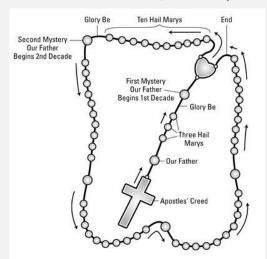




News at St Hughs

Rosary Club - Mondays in October 12.15-12.30pm.

If your child would like to bring their Rosary Beads in to come and pray the Rosary on Mondays, then please feel free to send them in. Leo and Clement with our support will be leading the club and we hope to base it in the Creation Garden, weather permitting.





Pupil Parliament Meeting at St Hugh of Lincoln School

On Wednesday 9th October, the whole school took part in an exciting Pupil Parliament meeting, showcasing leadership opportunities and giving every pupil a voice. The Pupil Parliament encourages children to develop key skills like communication, organisation, and debating through important roles and new experiences.

Each committee - led by a Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer - held meetings with clear agendas. From promoting healthy eating in the Food Committee to inspiring eco-friendly actions through the Eco Committee, members work together to make positive changes. During the meeting, pupils discussed projects and challenges, ensuring everyone's views are considered.

Committees like Wellbeing, Sports, Art, and Reading, among others, are helping to shape the future of the school. Whether it's planning events, improving school life, or encouraging creativity, the Pupil Parliament is truly realized and differences for all students at St. Usek'el.

is truly making a difference for all students at St Hugh's!

The RE committee at their first meeting led by Mrs Grace







Information Board

Is your child a Young Carer?

A Young Carer is defined as someone who is under 18 years of age and provides regular and ongoing care to a family member who is physically or mentally ill, disabled, or misuses substances. They will take on additional responsibilities to those appropriate to their age and development. Young carers may be primary carers, such as caring for a parent, or a secondary carer, such as helping to care for a sibling.

A Young Carer may undertake some or all of the following:

- Practical tasks
- Physical care
- Personal and intimate care
- Emotional support
- Household management
- Looking after siblings
- Interpretation
- Administering medication



Support that we may be able to offer for Young Carers is support with extra-curricular activities, targeted intervention to support achievement where necessary and a safe place to support mental health and well-being.

If you would like to talk to someone about your child being a Young Carer, please contact our designated **Young Carers Champions Mrs Pickard or Mrs Barker** or email info@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk

You can find more information about support for Young Carers through the web links provided below https://www.actionforcarers.org.uk

<u>Safeguarding</u>

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.



Reception - Saint Bernadette

Reception have had a very exciting time when the paramedics came to visit. We learnt about all the important equipment they use to help us if we are in need. We were shown how things work and we had great fun realising that it wasn't at all scary. The ambulance was amazing! We all went inside and sat on the bed. We asked some brilliant questions and gave some excellent answers to some questions.

Why do we wear a helmet and bright yellow jacket?

"to keep you safe, so people can see you and you don't hurt your head." Franklyn What do you think this machine does?

"It's the beep of your heart" Luca



We had some excellent patients in our class and we are very grateful for the ambulance coming to see us. When the ambulance left we saw the blue flashing lights and heard the sirens. "These tell people that the ambulance is coming" Saoirse











































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Fred Talk: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/cE5uCoSU/38n7EFOk

Sounds we have learnt: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/rNuZmC9U/VLxexZCe

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Year I – Saint George

On Wednesday afternoon, the children navigated their way around the Hermitage estate, along the canal and back to school. They used everyday directions and locational language to find an open space. Throughout this unit of work, Year 1 have been identifying places that are near or far, places we go often and rarely and this week we have begun learning about maps and map-making. The children are now able to describe the route that we took on a simple map. Thank you to our parent helpers for giving up their time to escort us safely on our walk. The children were fantastic ambassadors of our school.

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Green Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/EQAHabE8/ztZbMAeu Pink Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/x7aLAtin/LugZCY4o Orange Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/ivrRLqsL/RQNInRFy













Year 2 - Saint Francis

What a wonderful week full of learning! In our Master Reader lessons we read a fiction book called "The invisible clothes" about a vain Emperor and a cunning tailor. In English we learned how to write persuasively. We used persuasive sentences to convince our friends to come and visit the Art Gallery (based on the story Claude in the City). In maths we used manipulatives to learn how to add or subtract a two-digit number to a one-digit number. In Geography we used the iPads and we learned how to use the weather app to read the weather in the capital cities of the UK. In science we tested different materials in water to see if they were waterproof or absorbent. In RE we wrote beautiful poems about God's creation. The highlight of our week was Art where we finished our Teddy Bear sketches, we added texture and volume. They look truly amazing! We are such great artists!

Thank you to the parents that could come to our Book Look on Tuesday, it was amazing to have you in school and your children loved sharing their lovely learning to their families.

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Phonics

Blue Group:

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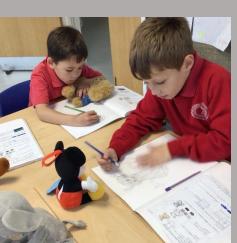


This week's spelling rule (CONTINUE): Soft $c \rightarrow$ When c comes just before I, y or e it

usually makes the s sound. Example: ${f C}$ ity, ri ${f C}$ e.

Red words: should, everybody, people, child, any, walk.











Year 3 - Saint Veronica

Year 3 loved exploring botanical art this week. Using zoomed in images of plants, the children created their own floral inspired art. We used watercolour paints to create bright and bold final pieces!

In English, we have been looking at fairy tales and their endings. The children worked so hard to create their own 'unhappy' ending of the story Hansel and Gretel.







Our spelling rule this week is: Words ending with –il and words where s makes the zh sound.

For example: fossil, stencil, usual, television

Orange words: fruit, often, business, eight, weight, probably

Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

This week in Year 4 the children have been enjoying writing up their non-chronological report in English all about Australia. They focused extremely hard last week on gathering all the information which they needed using the IPads and have transferred their notes into a beautifully detailed double page spread. A key focus throughout their learning this week was for all the children to take care in correctly grouping third information into appropriate paragraphs, including sub-headings in their writing and continuing to use expanded noun phrases.

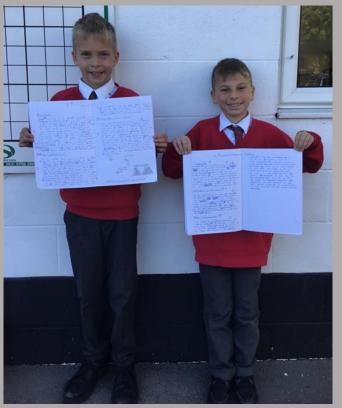
Our spelling rule this week is: ending in zhuh spelt -sure

For example: measure, treasure, pleasure, enclosure.

Orange words: sentence, straight, special, occasionally, children, could.







Year 5 - Saint Raphael

This week in History, the children engaged in a thoughtful exploration of the Anglo-Saxon period, crafting balanced arguments about whether this era should be labelled as the "Dark Ages." Over the past four weeks, they examined a wealth of evidence, including the remarkable discoveries at Sutton Hoo and the Staffordshire Hoard, as well as insights from Bede's *Ecclesiastical History of the English People* and the stunning artistry of the Lindisfarne Gospels. Their arguments encouraged critical thinking and a deeper understanding of how history can be interpreted in various ways.

Our spelling rule this week is: adding the prefix-sub For example: subway, subheading, submarine, subtitle

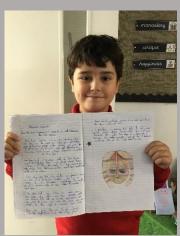


Our 6 orange words are: equipment, criticise, familiar, individual, dictionary,

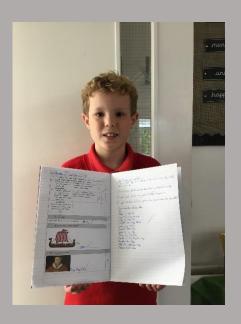
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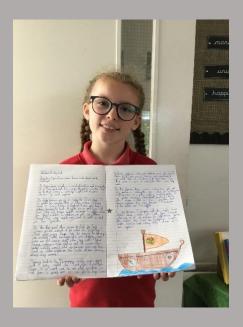














Year 6 - Saint Maximilian Kolbe

The year 6 children had fun this week within RE as they learnt about The Christian belief in original sin and how Jesus restored this. Within their learning on creation, they created a book entitled 'God's Plan' for a year 1 reader, which detailed the creation story and how God sent Jesus to allow humanity to receive forgiveness and develop a relationship with god. The children created some lovely books to share with the younger children, adapting the words within the story to help their understanding and including some images to support the narrative. We were very proud of the standard of work produced and how they supported the younger children when they shared them with them later in the week. Great work year 6!

Our 6 orange words are: familiar, explantation, foreign, forty, frequently, government.

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Spelling









Friends Committee 2024-2025

Thank you to those who came to the Friends AGM on 10th October. At the AGM Ingrid Stevens and Gosia Milbank stepped down from their respective positions as chair and secretary. A huge thank you to them for all of their work for the Friends. At the AGM Dueyna Chinere was elected as Chair and Anna Larkham as Treasurer. Thank you to both for volunteering for these roles. There were no volunteers for the role of secretary from the parent membership, so Anne Ruston has kindly agreed to take on the role for 1 term. The Friends constitution dictates that we need a secretary in order to continue. Please consider if you could take on this role, maybe as part of a job share.



Christmas Art Project – DEADLINE 17th October

Don't forget to order your cards and gifts via Classlist and to return your children's artwork to the school.

Current ASDA Cashpot total... £112.12!

Don't forget, for each person who downloads the Asda Rewards app and chooses St Hugh of Lincoln in the Cashpot for schools Asda will donate £1 – without needing to shop at Asda. The scheme runs until 2nd November – how much can we raise?





Sleeping Beauty Pantomime - Tickets selling fast!

Tickets are £22 each, discounted from the standard price of £39-59. We have tickets in the stalls rows B to D for performances on:

Tuesday 10th December 7pm Thursday 12th December 7pm SOLD OUT Saturday 5th January 1pm – only a few

tickets left

Tickets are on sale in the "What's On" section on Classlist

The money raised through Friends fundraising goes toward projects to support the school. Currently we are fundraising for all weather surfacing under the KS2 gym equipment and table tennis tables – our target is £20,000!



Christmas Bazaar - Saturday 23 November from 11.00am-2.00pm in the Parish Hall. To help defray the costs of the Bazaar, would your company be willing to sponsor the cost of the Grand Draw tickets at a cost of approximately £70 or cover the 1st Prize of £100? If so, please contact the Parish Office (knaphill@abdiocese.org.uk) or The Friends (friendsofsthughspta@gmail.com)

Please read on the next page, the vacant roles and see where your talents could make the Friends and the events offered to St Hugh of Lincoln school even better. Please remember any role can be shared and any support is greatly appreciated.

Please do contact Anna Larkham or Mrs Barker if you would like to talk more about any of the roles.

CORE COMMITTEE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES				
Friends Event	Job Description	Frequency	Who are we looking for?	
Chair (can be shared between 2 people)	To lead the committee, ensuring the PTA is run in line with its constitution and according to the wishes of all members. The chair's responsibilities Chairs and facilitates meetings in a manner that encourages everyone to contribute Sets the date and agenda for meetings and keeps the discussion on track Delegates tasks to committee members Ensures decisions are implemented Liaises with the school about fundraising priorities Welcomes and motivates new volunteers Is a designated signatory on the Friends bank account Ensures the Friends is registered with regulatory bodies e.g., the Charity Commission, and submits reports where necessary. Writes annual report for the AGM Lead on Classlist – maintenance of class groups, set up of events Be a registered trustee of the Friends charity with the Charity Commission	Ongoing throughout the year	Could you be our next Friends chair, or co-chair with a friend? The chair leads meetings and steers the committee towards its aims. Sitting in the driver's seat, you should be highly enthusiastic, full of bright ideas and demonstrate good leadership skills.	
Secretary (can be shared between 2 people)	Assists the chair with planning meetings Communicates with the school and committee members, including circulating the agenda before PTA meetings	Ongoing throughout the year	Think you could be our next Friends secretary? The secretary ensures that the PTA's activities run smoothly.	



Role Descriptions for supporting The Friends of St Hugh.

	Takes minutes at meetings, recording the key points, decisions made and relevant action points Ensures meetings have enough attendees to form a quorum Monitor Friends email inbox Support Classlist – maintenance of classes and events Liaises with class rep and communications volunteer for event communications Send weekly newsletter content to school		You'll use your excellent communication and organisational skills to organise meetings, take minutes and keep records
Treasurer	To keep accurate financial records To present a financial report at each Friends meeting Provide and account for cash floats and payment devices for events. Is a designated signatory on the Friends bank account Ensuring the proper counting and banking of money post events Paying agreed expenses Making agreed payments Preparing the annual accounts and arranging for someone to check these before the AGM. Completes the annual Charity Commission return.	Ongoing throughout the year	Anna Larkham is happy to continue in this role

OTHER FRIENDS ROLES					
Friends Role	Job Description	Frequency	Who are we looking		
			for?		
Events team (Friends and Parish events e.g. Disco, Quiz and Curry night, Christmas Bazaar and Summer Fayre)	Do you enjoy planning parties and social events? Are you good at coordinating people to come together to make an event happen. Main roles 1. Plan events 2. Coordinate tickets 3. Coordinate volunteers to set up, run and clear up events 4. Liaise with treasurer for Sum ups and floats as required	1 event per term	We are looking for a team of people to come together to plan events for both pupils, parents and the Parish.		
School shops event team (Christmas, Mothering Sunday and Fathers and heroes')	Do you like shopping for a bargain and have an eye for fabulous gifts? This could be the role for you! This role involves: 1. Inventory of current stock 2. Ordering new stock 3. Set up the sale on class list 4. Ticket allocation for all purchases 5. Setting up /tidy up on the afternoon of the sale 6. Get items to and from container	3 sales per year: December, March and June	A team of 2-3 people to organise and run the event between them. If anyone has skills with Mailmerge in excel your skills will be gratefully received to make the ticket process more efficient. Anna Larkham		



Role Description for supporting The Friends of St Hugh continued

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Bears at Bedtime lead KS1 KS2	The popular teddy bear and film evenings need support for the refreshments 1. Event to be set up on Classlist 2. Video to be chosen 3. Popcorn to be made 4. Squash to be made and served 5. 4 parent volunteers	January	Mrs Barker will continue to lead the evenings – thank you! We need a volunteer to arrange the popcorn and squash for the events and parents to help on the evening (3 per event)
Bake sale - coordinator	 Each class organises 1 bake sale per year. We need a coordinator to organise these 7 events and make sure everything runs smoothly 1. Set dates for 7 sales across the year 2. Make sure class reps are aware of their sale date and posters are arranged to make the rest of the school aware 3. Class rep organise cakes to be delivered on day of sale 4. Liaise with treasurer makes sure sum up is charged, log ins are arranged, and cash floats are available 5. Class parents set up and run sale on the day 	7 bake sales per year	Volunteer lead needed Anna Larkham supports with Float and Sum up
Donation coordinator	Could you work with local businesses to request gift and voucher donations for raffles? Have you got ideas of great prizes to aim for and businesses to contact? Main responsibilities	For Christmas Bazaar and Summer Fayre	Mrs O'Reilly has agreed to support Mrs Barker- Thank you!
Classlist administrator	Are you good with words and IT? This role will support the Chair and secretary to set up events on Classlist Liaise with school office to ensure class membership is up to date	Year round	We need a volunteer to set up events on class list and lead on the admin for the system.
Christmas Cards and artwork	Order Cards and artwork format over summer holidays Artwork carried out in class by end of Sep beginning of Oct.	Once a year, Autumn term	Anna Grossi has agreed to continue to run – thank you!
Happy bags clothes recycling collection coordinator	Liaise with Happy bags re collection dates Send reminders out re collection dates and permitted items for donation Coordinate donations	Year round	Izy Constanzo has agreed to continue to co-ordinate – Thank you!
2 nd Hand Uniform Volunteers	Sort donations of second-hand uniform Maintain stock list of second-hand uniform and branded stock on Classlist Collate orders and pass to school office staff for distribution Arrange sale of second-hand uniform and logo-ed stock at new Reception pupils event in Summer term	Year round	Thank you to Caroline Meszaros-Suard and Zsuzsanna Szelei for stepping forward to take on this role.
Communications Volunteer	Develop posters and other promotional materials to support Friends' events using Canva	Year Round	Thank you to Emma Martin for continuing in this role
Grant Applications	Support the treasurer to apply for local and national grants towards fundraising.	Year round	Tariq Phillips has agreed to support this role – thank you
Class Rep Communications	Send reminders and disseminate information to class reps to ensure pupils and parents are aware of events in a timely manner	Year round	Sarah Akerman has agreed to support this role – thank you
Donation days	Liaise with communications volunteer and chair to confirm dates and times for collection Collect items Sort items prior to event.	Christmas Bazar and Summer Fayre	Anne Rushton will continue to support this as part of her role as Parish representative on the Friends Committee – thank you!