



St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

6th June 2025

Dates for the diary

June

- 7th Choir Singing at 6pm Mass
- 12th MUFTI donations for summer fayre
- 13th INSET Day
- 16th KS1 Sports Day
- 19th KS2 Sports Day
- 20th MUFTI donations for summer fayre
- 23rd KS1 Sports Day wet weather alternative am
- 26th KS2 Sports Day wet weather alternative am
- 2.45 YR Sports Day Carousel
- 27th Y3 Class Going Forth Mass 9am

July

- 11th Y6 BBQ
- 17th Y6 Leavers' Mass 9am
- 18th 9am Y6 Leavers' Assembly



Mrs Grace **Gospel: John 17:20-26**

Dear parents and carers,

Today we were very lucky to be able to welcome Will Forster MP to our school. He is the first Liberal Democrat MP for Woking and he came to deliver an assembly to the children. He explained to the children how MPs are elected and what it is like to work in Parliament as well as explaining all about the causes he is involved in supporting. After assembly, he met with the leadership team and enjoyed a tour of the school. He said he thought the behaviour of the children was outstanding and complimented us on our beautiful grounds and calm learning spaces.

I look forward to seeing many of you at church tomorrow evening as our wonderful choir will, once again, will be singing during 6pm Mass.

Wishing you a very happy weekend.

God Bless Mrs Grace





News at St Hughs

On Thursday 5th June, we celebrated World Environment Day! This year, the theme is 'Beat Plastic Pollution'. As part of our whole school assembly, we reflected on God's wonderful world and reducing plastic use.

Linking to this, we will be holding a whole school competition! This competition involves creating a school poster informing others about plastic pollution. It is optional and children do not have to take part if they do not want to.

This competition is open to all children and the deadline for entries is **Thursday 12th June**. There will be a chance for some children to hang their poster proudly around our school, as well as receiving an environmentally friendly prize!



Information Board

Breakfast Club Assistant Vacancy - Start date September 2025

We are looking to appoint a Breakfast Club Assistant for our popular Breakfast Club. The Club is dedicated to providing outstanding extended care; engaging children in various activities, inside and outside. We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic assistant who has a commitment to high quality child care and who is passionate about working with children. The post is Monday to Friday (term time only) working from 7.30am to 8.30am. It is important to us that the children have an enjoyable experience and have a healthy breakfast to set them up for the day. If you are someone who likes helping children, is enthusiastic and would be able to organise and supervise different activities with children then we are interested in hearing from you.

Interested candidates are warmly invited to contact the school if you would like to discuss the role in more depth.

For further information and to apply, please use the link below:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/breakfast-club-assistant-1491159>

Reminders

Stock up your child's pencil case

Please ensure your child has a transparent pencil case with the following resources in it: handwriting pen with blue ink e.g. manuscript brand (not a biro), biro with purple ink for editing, pencil, 30cm ruler, rubber, sharpener, glue stick, whiteboard pen and a small selection of coloured pencils, no felt tips. Some children have started to bring in alternative pencil cases, if they don't have an appropriate pencil case, we will provide one (and charge parents on scopay) as we will be keeping a small stock in the school office. We will also keep a small stock of some other resources such as handwriting pens and glue sticks which we will give to children when they run out and then charge parents via Scopay.

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.

Reception – Saint Bernadette

Before half term, to enhance their learning on minibeasts and their habitats, Reception made their own wormeries. The dry weather had left the ground very hard so it was a challenge finding worms! They used water from watering cans and stomping feet to make it seem that it was raining in order to lure the worms to the surface which, after lots of hard work digging and lots of patience, finally paid off! We layered the wormeries with soil and sand, added some leaves and vegetable peelings for the worms to eat along with some water. This week, we explored how busy the worms have been tunnelling through the layers and recycling the food! What amazing creatures they are!



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Green Group: <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/gpSpFsL1/Q4r6AEKf>

Year 1 - Saint George

In Year 1 we have been learning all about Pentecost Day and why it is such an important celebration for Christians. We discovered how the Holy Spirit came to the disciples and gave them the courage to share the Good News. The children were fascinated to learn how Pentecost is celebrated in the Pantheon in Rome. As part of our RED curriculum theme "To the Ends of the Earth" we explored how the message of Jesus was spread across the world. We enjoyed taking part in creative activities such as making flame hats and creating our own Vatican where we dropped rose petals.



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Year 2 – Saint Francis

Welcome back, Year 2! It has been a great first week back after the holidays!

In English we wrote shape poems about summer and at the end of the week we recited our poems to each other to see if everyone else could guess our poem's theme. That has been the highlight of our week because we got so inspired, using alliteration and similes, they looked so great! In maths we are revising different ways of adding and subtracting numbers using different methods, like a 100 square. In Science we started our new topic of Feeding and Exercise, and we identified what humans need in order to survive: water, air, food, shelter. In RE understood why we have rules and the importance of rules in our world. In Design and Technology, we explored the mechanisms around us and how they operate: levers and pivots. In History we learned the names of the six local heroes we are going to learn about in this topic, and we made a timeline, ordering them chronologically.



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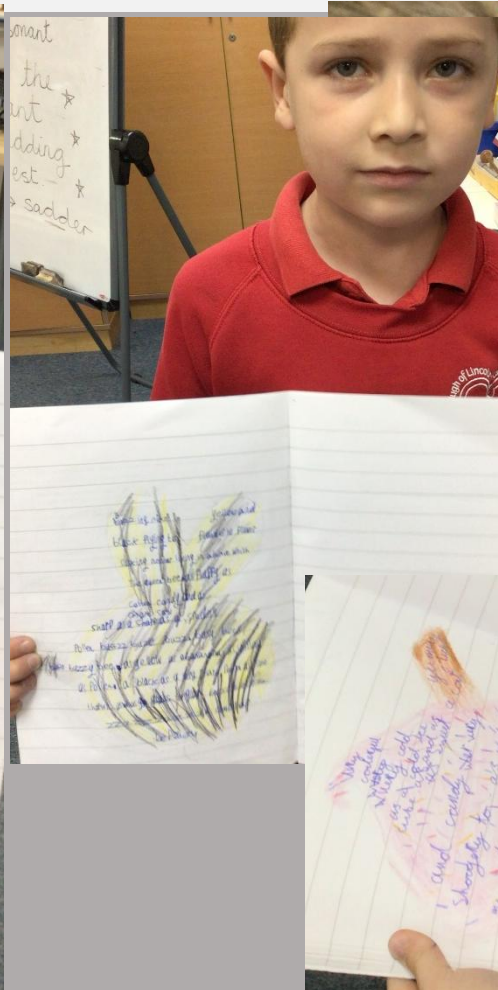
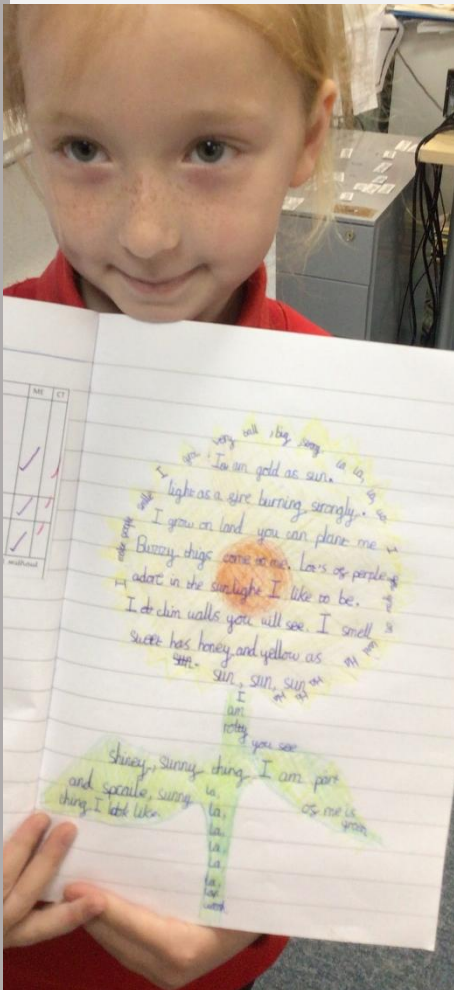
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Spelling

This week's spelling rule:

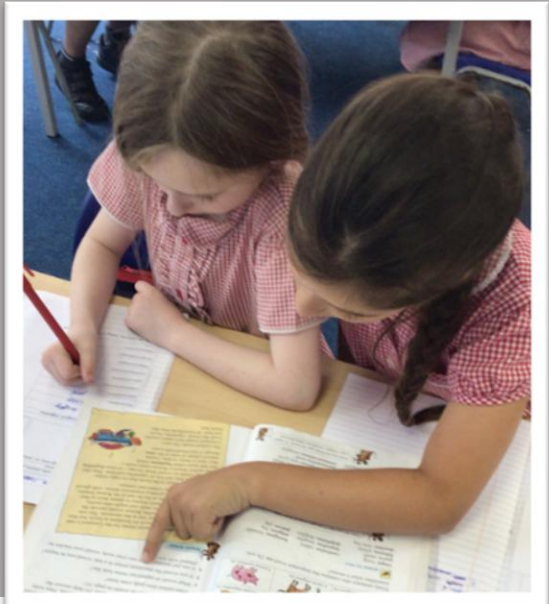
If a word ends in a short vowel (a, e, i, o, u) + a consonant, double the consonant before adding -er or -est. Example: sad → sadder

Red words: old, hold, move, parents, many, how



Year 3 - Saint Veronica

In English this week, Year 3 started their new text 'One Plastic Bag'. The children read about Isatou Ceesay, a woman who changed her village by recycling plastic bags into purses. We were amazed to learn that this story is real-life and the children felt extremely inspired. In Latin, the children worked with a partner to translate masculine and feminine adjectives. We then used our knowledge to write our own Latin sentences to describe animals.



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Our spelling rule this week is: Continuing to add the suffix -ly

For example: danger – gently, simply, horribly

Orange words: often, thought, though, guide, centre, quarter

Year 4 - Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Year 4 have made a fantastic start to the new term, showing great enthusiasm as they began exploring their new foundation subject units. This week's Gospel message focused on unity and the importance of coming together as one, despite our differences. During our class Collective Worship, the children took part in a fun activity in the prayer garden where they stood up if a question applied to them, such as "Do you have blue eyes?" or "Is your favourite subject maths?" This helped them appreciate that while we are all unique, we are also connected and should treat one another with equal respect and kindness.



Our special focus in spelling this week is: words with the 's' sound spelt 'sc'
Examples: scissors, scene, ascend, descend.



Orange words: knowledge, pressure, interest, business, accidentally, earth.



Year 5 - Saint Raphael

This week, in Art we have been drawing and painting our own portraits. We learned how to draw a portrait using the continuous line method, which helped us focus on the shapes and features without lifting our pencils. We also experimented with varying the size, shape, and position of words around our portraits to make them more visually interesting. Another exciting part was exploring how different backgrounds can completely change the mood and effect of a drawing. As part of our learning, we researched the life and work of Frida Kahlo, a famous Mexican artist known for her powerful self-portraits and vibrant use of colour and symbolism. Her unique style and emotional depth inspired many of our own creations.



Our spelling rule this week is: Continue Year 5 spelling at home

For example:

Our 6 orange words are: define, community, embarrass, individual, committee, existence

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Year 6 – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

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Epic Engineering

In Epic Engineering, we built numbered towers and created a container to hold our materials. We worked in teams to build the tallest, most stable structures possible. It was a great way to develop our communication skills and think creatively together.

Skiing

We had two skiing sessions, and they were a blast! First, we learned how to walk up the slope and control our speed using the “pizza, chips” method. In our second session, we used the ski lift to reach the top of the slope - then let go and zoomed down. Everyone had a great time, and many of us want to try skiing again!

Ringos

This was a favourite for many of us! We got to ride inflatable rings down the slope - sometimes linked together, which made it even more fun. The instructors spun us at the top, so we twirled all the way down. Even the teachers joined in - it was brilliant!

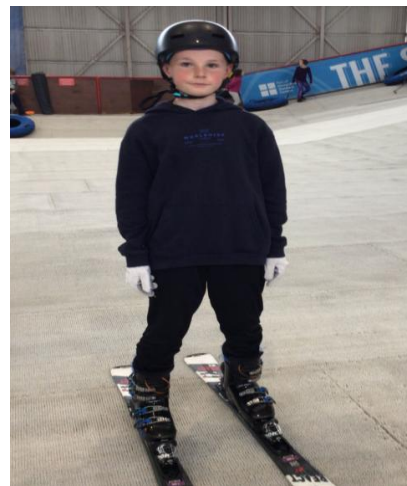
Our Calshot residential was packed with fun, laughter, and challenges. We learned so much about ourselves and each other, and we’ll never forget this amazing experience.

Thank you for all your support in making this trip happen!

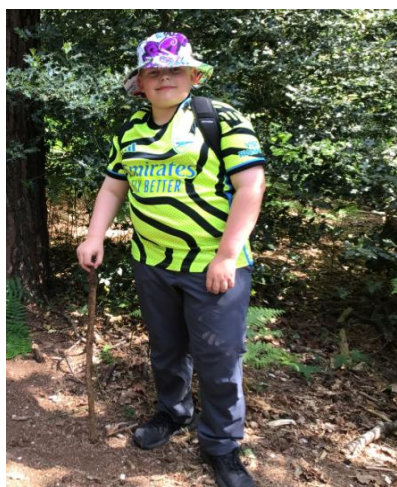
Warm wishes,

The Year 6 Team

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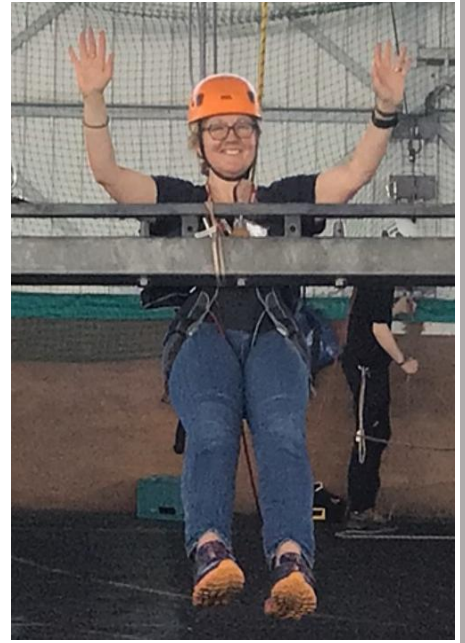
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Friends of St Hugh's – Notice of Extraordinary General Meeting Thursday 3 July at 7.30pm in the School Hall

At present the Friends core committee is Dueyna Chinere as Chair, Anna Larkham as Treasurer and Anne Rushton/Mrs Barker as Secretary. This was a temporary agreement at the AGM in October 2024 to prevent The Friends of St Hughs's School from having to dissolve. **We need to recruit a chair and secretary to continue the organisation.**

The Friends support the school by raising money for things not available in the standard budget and to keep costs down for parents. We pay towards the library subscription, clarinet lessons, year 6 leavers BBQ and gift and Christmas party among other fundraising targets.



Roles aren't too onerous, we are lucky to have lots of parents who are supporting aspects of the Friends, such as the uniform shop, and specific events. If you are interested in the roles or would like to support the Friends in any other way please speak to Dueyna, Anna or Mrs Barker for more information.

Summer Fayre Mufti (non-uniform) days

There are two non-uniform days this term. On these days we are asking for donations towards stalls at the summer fayre:



Thursday 12th June – Toy/soft toy donations (in very good/new condition)

Friday 20th June – bottle tombola donations (non-alcoholic or alcoholic drinks, in date, new and sealed please)

Thank you in advance for your donations to support the success of the Summer Fayre

Summer Fayre sign ups

Sign up lists are live on classlist for the Summer Fayre. If you have been allocated a stall to run, please sign up for a time slot to

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It was lovely to chat to everyone who came to the social on 5th June. See you at the next one!

