



St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter



27th March 2026

Dates for the diary

April

13th start of the Summer Term

20th Parent Book Looks

21st Feet First Y3

May

Disconnect to Connect presentations to parents
(date to be confirmed)

6th Wintershall Trip Liturgy

Leaders Y4/Y5

11th KS2 SATS Week

18th Y6 Residential Trip

25th Half Term Break

Mrs Grace

John 4:5-42

Dear parents and carers,

What a busy week it has been and I can't believe it is the end of another term!

In this week's Gospel reading, Lazarus was raised from the dead. Both Martha, and her sister Mary, believed without doubt that Jesus could raise their brother from the dead. They not only believed this, but they trusted completely in Him and trusted that no matter what, through and with Him, all would be well in the end. Martha and Mary seemed to know that the things Jesus was capable of were beyond their understanding, but they were humble enough to accept this because of their faith in Him. It is through this humility in faith that trust is born, which in turn, leads to great things. Great things happen all the time at St Hugh's. During a reflective week in school, each class has led a beautiful Liturgy retelling the different events of Holy Week. We enjoyed visiting our Creation garden to walk the way of the cross led by Year 6 and children in Y4, 5 and 6 received The Sacrament of Reconciliation in school. Thank you to Father Rob and Father Hilary for facilitating this.

Some of our children from KS2 visited the Science Fair at ACS International School Cobham. They exhibited their amazing experiments and spoke to the judges about them. Other adults commented on how well behaved and articulate our St Hugh children are. Thank you Mr Davies for, once again, organising this fantastic event and Mr O'Donovan and Mr Peaston for accompanying the children.

Thank you all for your unwavering support for your children and for the school. I always feel so blessed to serve as the headteacher within such a supportive community. Happy Easter. God Bless! Mrs Grace



News at St Hughs

This week, our Year 6 pupils had the wonderful opportunity to lead the Stations of the Cross experience for each year group across the school. The sessions were carefully planned and thoughtfully delivered, allowing every participant to reflect, pray, and engage meaningfully with the experience.

We were incredibly proud of the leadership shown by Year 6. They guided the sessions with confidence, care, and sensitivity, ensuring that everyone felt included and able to participate fully. The reverence and focus shown by all the children attending was truly inspiring and created a peaceful, reflective atmosphere throughout the school.

Parents and governors joined us during the week, adding to the sense of community and celebration. It was a joy to see the older pupils take responsibility in such a thoughtful way, demonstrating both maturity and compassion as they led their peers through each station.

This week's Stations of the Cross were not only a chance for prayer and reflection but also an opportunity to see the strength of our school community in action. Year 6 should be congratulated for their dedication, preparation, and the care with which they carried out their leadership - leaving a lasting impression on everyone who participated.



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On Tuesday 25th March, a group of pupils from St. Hugh of Lincoln School were given the exciting opportunity to present their outstanding science projects at the Xavier Science Fair Grand Final, hosted at ACS International School in Cobham. The event brought together schools from across the trust, each sharing some of the best work from their own science fairs. The overall standard was exceptionally high, with projects spanning a wide variety of fascinating topics.

The day began in the Sports Hall, where representatives from the Air Products organisation delivered an engaging and memorable introduction focused on gases. Using liquid nitrogen, they demonstrated changes of state in a series of striking experiments, including dipping roses into the solution and pouring it over balloons. These dramatic demonstrations were both captivating and informative, helping the children to better understand key scientific concepts.

Following this, the children had time to explore a range of interactive exhibits led by volunteer scientists. These hands-on activities gave them insight into real-world science, including how to identify artificially generated images, programme a lunar vehicle, examine different types of rocks, and even design seed pods for planting in the school allotment.

The day concluded with an awards ceremony celebrating the most impressive projects from across the participating schools. We are extremely proud of the dedication and enthusiasm shown by all the children, whose hard work contributed greatly to the success of the event. Those who attended the grand final conducted themselves superbly and were fantastic ambassadors for St. Hugh of Lincoln School.



SORA

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.

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.

2

In Sora, find your school (or enter your school's setup code), then sign in.

3

Setup code: hampshiresls

4

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.

EASTER BUNNY RUN & COMPETITION

THANK YOU to all the children, you did amazingly well and it was lovely to see you all in your decorated ears.

As a combined effort you ran approximately 165 miles - you could have made it all the way to Manchester, Aberystwyth, Bruges in Belgium or Beauvais in France!

So far the amount raised is an amazing £1,077.

Congratulations to the winners of the best decorated bunny ears, judged by Mr T -not an easy job!

If you haven't yet brought in the sponsorship money you have raised please bring it into the office after the Easter holiday.

Amounts raised so far by Year are:

Year R: £235.00

Year 1: £194.00

Year 2: £172.68

Year 3: £157.00

Year 4: £147.66

Year 5: £52.00

Year 6: £118.66





Mr Ellson's Camino Francés pilgrimage

In April, Mr Ellson will be completing the 800km Camino Francés pilgrimage from France to Spain to raise money for music education St Hugh's school and the other eight primary schools he teaches at. All funds raised will be shared equally between the schools and ring-fenced for music, helping to support instrumental lessons, resources, and continued participation in the programme.

Please see the link below if you would like to support Mr Ellson's pilgrimage.

LINK: <https://gofund.me/00549fe33>



Disconnect to Connect (Year's 3 & 4)

During April, Dan Newman, who is part of the Mental Health team at the Xavier Trust, will be working with the children in years 3 and 4 to help them understand the dangers of Smartphones.

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Lunch Time Clubs

St Hugh's Lunchtime Chess Club

Years 3-6
Beginners welcome

PAUL WELLING CHESS

Reasons for playing chess
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Sessions will run from Monday 13th April to Monday 13th July 2026 (12 weeks)

Time: 12.45-1.15pm

Cost: £60

Contact Paul/Jo at paulwellingchess@gmail.com for more information

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What We Offer

- A fun and engaging way to learn Spanish for children.
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Tuesday 14th Apr - 14th Jul 12:15 to 12:45

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Please see below link for more information about other clubs run in school:
<https://www.sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk/parents/school-clubs>

FREE Easter Holiday activities

Wildfire Awareness Week
30th March - 3rd April 2026

- Monday 30th March - Wildmoor Heath
- Tuesday 31st March - Ash
- Wednesday 1st April - Yateley Common
- Friday 3rd April - Lightwater Country Park

Spring into Nature Week
6th - 10th April 2026

- Tuesday 7th April - Brookwood Country Park
- Wednesday 8th April - Hartland Country Park
- Friday 10th April - Peacock Meadows

FREE - Suitable for all - Drop-in - Dogs welcome

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Betty & Brook
arts and crafts

ART CLUB

'FUTURE CREATIVES' PART 2

Thursdays 3.15-5pm
Years 1-6
16th April - 25th June 2026
£125, with 10% sibling discount

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SCHOOL CLUBS

ST HUGH OF LINCOLN PRIMARY SCHOOL
SUMMER TERM 2026

Monday – Football Club
3:15 – 4:15pm | Year R-6

Thursday – Multi Sports Club
3:15 – 4:15pm | Year R-6

Bookings Open Friday 20th March

For Dates, Prices & Bookings Visit:
<https://bookwhen.com/planetsoccerclubs1>
or scan the QR code

For more information contact us on
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[Planet Soccer Clubs 1 - Booking by Bookwhen](https://bookwhen.com/planetsoccerclubs1)

Surrey County Council - Vacancies for Feet First Walking Instructors

This is a bank, term-time position, with no set or guaranteed hours. Work varies depending on which schools book training, but sessions are always delivered within the school day.

The Safer Travel Team launched the 'Feet First: Walking Training' service four years ago. The training is targeted at 7–8-year-olds, i.e., pupils in Year 3, and is a service that is available to all primary schools across the county. The aim of 'Feet First' is to provide trainees with vital road safety skills to better enable them to safely walk to and from school with an adult and prepare them for future independent travel. It is taught through a combination of classroom and practical roadside sessions. The practical sessions are delivered by trained Walking Instructors, employed by Surrey County Council.

The role will be advertised on the Surrey County Council 'Jobs' page, <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/jobs>.

The advert will go live on **27 March 2026** and will close at 23:59 on **26 April 2026**. Please note that applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, and the advert may close earlier if sufficient applications are received.

For more information about the role, or to arrange an informal discussion, applicants can contact the Safer Travel Team at walkingtraining@surreycc.gov.uk.

Information Board

School Development Fund (managed by the Governors)

Thank you to all the parents and carers who make voluntary contributions to our School Development Fund.

At St Hugh we want to provide the best education to enable every child to thrive, and with your support, your child can enjoy even richer learning experiences.

Our School Development Fund turns parent contributions into meaningful enhancements, from vibrant classrooms to exciting opportunities that go beyond the everyday curriculum. Whether it's upgrading facilities, investing in innovative learning tools, or creating inspiring spaces, your donation helps ensure your child has the best possible environment to learn, grow, and thrive.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our school community, the School Development Fund has already supported a range of exciting improvements and enrichment opportunities, including:

- Replacing the old boiler;
- Creating the multi-use games area (MUGA);
- Investing in a new IT server and 30 laptops for the children to use in class;
- Creation and on-going maintenance of the Creation Garden;
- Upgraded classroom technology, including interactive whiteboards and tablets;
- Our new History Timeline; and
- Choral Singing Programme – who are the 2025 winners of The Millennium Shield.

These are just a few examples of how your support is making a lasting impact and there's so much more we can do together. Every donation makes a difference however big or small. If you are able, please consider monthly donations or a one-off gift. All donations are handled confidentially. It's really easy to make a donation via CAF Donate link below:

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

or use the QR code



Thank you for supporting the future of St Hugh's pupils.

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Logging Absence

All 'on the day' absences need to be reported through Arbor by 9am. This needs to be completed every morning that your child is absent. We have removed our absence line on our telephone system. Below is a reminder on how to report on the day absences on the Arbor parent portal:

- Log onto the Parent Portal in Arbor
- Select Attendance under Quick Actions
- If you are using a mobile device press the 'three lines' at the bottom left of the screen
- Select Log Absence
- Complete the absence time (only for that day) and the reason for absence
- Press Log Absence

To report a future absence such as a medical appointment please send a message to attendance@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk at least 48 hours prior to the appointment.

Any requests for an absence for exceptional circumstances requires you to submit a request for leave of absence using the Microsoft form linked [here](#). This link can also be found on our website under Parents/Useful Forms & Links or Parents/Attendance. Permission will not be granted for holidays booked in term-time.

Absences not reported in the correct way may result in an 'unauthorised absence' being recorded.

Can you please ensure that you have downloaded the Arbor app and are able to log on to Parent Portal. The app can be downloaded for free via the App Store of Google Play. Please log on and check all information for your child on Arbor especially emergency contacts and addresses. Any changes can be updated via the Arbor portal. The portal is also a good way to track your child's school attendance.

Further help and information on using Arbor can be found on our website -

<https://sthughoflincolnsurrey.ovw10.devwebsite.co.uk/page/?title=Parent+Portal+%2D+Arbor&pid=170>

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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 speak to Ms Grace (DSL) Mrs Pickard (DDSL) oof Mr Davies (DDSL) You can also email dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk as soon as possible the same day.