

Compassion, Joy, Perseverance, Respect

Headteacher News

With the approach of the half term holiday nothing slows down, here at Hunton. So many wonderful events have happened in the last week.



Only yesterday Borton Class went on an incredible trip to London. To bring the book alive that they have been reading, 'The London Eye Mystery', Borton actually went on the London Eye as well as sailing down the Thames and visiting the Poetry Library. I'm glad to say that adventures in the book were not repeated and everyone disembarked from the London Eye!



What a wonderful memorable trip.

Each day we gather as a school for collective worship, which aims to be inspiring, invitational and inclusive. We have been so inspired by the children leading this for two days this week. They performed with superb confidence and it was wonderful to see them enthusiastically share their learning.

A big thank you goes to the house leaders for the Rosa Parks team. Not only did they design an informative power point about Rosa Parks but they led the whole school session with activities about segregation, a song called 'Why I Sat on the Bus' and discussion with talking partners. It was outstanding!

Then on the following day an assembly for the school on Safer Internet Day was led by our Digital Leaders. They articulated with clarity the dangers of the internet and how children can keep safe. From my perspective, watching recent tragic news relating to content on the internet, the role of parents in keeping their children safe can seem daunting, however it is crucial. On the news this week it was said, 'Fifteen years ago we would never have thought of allowing our children to have a black box in their bedroom so they could contact any stranger and view anything they liked.'



We cannot go back but it is imperative that we educate and talk to our children. Please read the tips in the link to keep your family safe and use the 'Let's Talk about Life Online' resource. [Top Tips for parents and carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Another thanks must go to Bannerman Class for organising a cake sale last Friday. It was their idea to show compassion and help the homeless in Kent. £127 was raised for the charity Porchlight. We appreciate your help in donating cakes and coming to buy them too.

Finally, it was delightful to share your child's learning with you this week at parents evening. Our partnership with you truly develops a child's learning in a positive way. Should you wish to have further discussions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

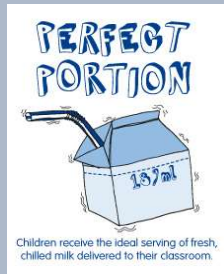
Hope everyone has a well-deserved wonderful week's break.

Mrs Makey



Milk

If you would like your child to receive a carton of milk each morning please register them on the [Cool Milk website](https://customers.coolmilk.com/v2/register/).



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Star of the Week and House points winners



Every week, each class nominates a pupil as 'star of the week' for an outstanding achievement or learning that has taken place. Their achievement will be linked to the Christian value they show. Look out for it on their certificate.

A huge well done to the children who got awarded star of the week! Congratulations for all their hard work.

Our house colours are named after people who reflect our vision of 'life in all its fullness' and we are sharing weekly results of house points.

	w/e 2 nd Feb	w/e 9 th Feb
Devas	Peggy	Charlie
Bannerman	Tilly-May	Poppy
Porteous	Luc	Ronnie
Borton	Leo	Evelyn
House points winner	Alessia Russo	Bear Grylls

Dates



Please note that dates are subject to change. Where possible, we will always try to give as much notice as we can if we need to change a date.

Tuesday 20 Feb	Netball Club – carried over from term 3
Mondays 26 Feb & 4/11/18/25 Mar	Football Club (Yrs 3-6) 3:20-4:20
Tuesdays 27 Feb & 5/12/19/26 March	Netball Club (Yrs 3-6) 3:20-4:20
Wednesdays 21/28 Feb & 6/13/20/27 March	Acro Club 3:20-4:20
Thursdays 22/29 Feb & 7/14/21 March	Creepy Claws Club 3:20-4:20
Mon 19 th Feb	First day of term 4
Mon 19 th Feb	Bannerman trip to London
Friday 23 rd Feb	Non-uniform day "bring a bottle"
Sat 24 th Feb 7pm	Movies & musicals cabaret night, Hunton Village Hall
Fri 1 st March	National offer day for Secondary school
Friday 8 th March	Mother's Day pop-up shop
Thurs 14 th March 1:30-2:45	Devas and Year 6 Library visit
Mon 18 th March	Devas trip to Kent Life
Thurs 28 th March	Last day of term 4
Monday 15 th April	First day of term 5
Saturday 18 th May	May Fayre 11-2pm



Attendance

Together with yourselves we are sure that you recognise that good attendance enables good learning and progress. It is important that your child is at school on time, ready for learning. Learning does start straight away and being late in class can mean that your child misses the essential start of a lesson and then finds it hard to engage.

In order to ensure that the children have a settled start to the day, we would ask all parents to make sure that their children arrive before their start times.

Borton and Porteous – 8:40am
Bannerman and Devas – 8:45am

Days off school add up to lost learning			
175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR			
175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, household jobs and other appointments			
0	6	15	19
DAYS ABSENCE (190 school days)	DAYS ABSENCE OR MORE	DAYS ABSENCE OR MORE	DAYS ABSENCE OR MORE
100%	96%	92%	Below 90%
EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE	SATISFACTORY ATTENDANCE	REQUIRES IMPROVEMENT	Persistent Absentee
Best chance of SUCCESS	Harder to make good progress	Less chance of success	CAUSE FOR CONCERN
			Serious concern Possible court action

Every School Day Counts

Please don't let your child miss out on the education they deserve.

For the past 2 weeks these were the class attendance totals:

Devas: 96.07% Bannerman: 96.67%

Porteous: 94.52% Borton: 94.78%

Well done to **BANNERMAN** who achieved the highest attendance for 29th January – 9th February.

Twitter



@huntonceprimary

Remember to check out our Twitter page which is updated on a daily basis with information and photos about what the children have been up to.



PTFA News & Events
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FB: [HuntonPrimaryPTA](https://www.facebook.com/HuntonPrimaryPTA)

Hunton School PTFA and Artform present...

SONGS FROM THE MOVIES & MUSICALS

Performed Cabaret style

Saturday 24th February
Hunton Village Hall, West Street
ME15 ORR

Doors Open at 7pm - Show at 7.30pm

Early Bird Valentine's Ticket - £13.50
Latecomer tickets from 15th February - £15
www.ticketsource.co.uk/artform

Licensed Bar will be open!!! Tea & Coffee available

Cash and card payments will be taken at the bar. Please bring along your own nibbles.

Tickets available here:
www.ticketsource.co.uk/artform

Over half the tickets have sold already, so don't delay if you would like to come along. All profit is split between Artform and Hunton School PTFA.

Please bring some cash along with you on the night as there will be a raffle and a couple of games with cash prizes!