



Reception 2026 intake open days are 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> November. If you know anyone looking for a primary school for their child please direct them to our website where they can book onto one of our open days.

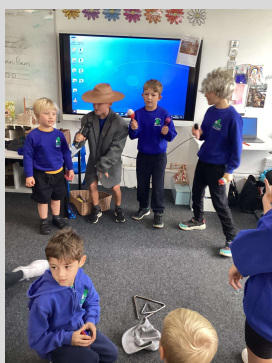
### Headteacher News

#### *Compassion, Joy, Perseverance, Respect*

As we approach the end of Term 1, we're immensely proud of our new YR children in Devas and the way they have settled in becoming a delightful part of our school. A special thank you must go to them for their class assembly this week. Wow – what confidence they showed not only in front of the school but also to their parents too. They put a smile on all of our faces. Thank you to them and to Mrs Seal, Mrs Rance and Mrs Tadman for ensuring the children have settled and are able to share their learning with all of us.

It doesn't seem possible that we are already advertising for our next YR pupils. We are hoping that people are aware that we are, according to The Telegraph Best Schools' Guide, the best school in the area.

Find the best primary schools near you		
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Top 100 Ranking	School	Overall rating
100+	Hunton Church of England Primary School >	Very good
100+	Yalding, St Peter and St Paul Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School (1mi.) >	Below avg
100+	St Margaret's, Collier Street Church of England Voluntary Controlled School (2mi.) >	Fair
100+	Coxheath Primary School (2mi.) >	Well below avg
100+	Laddingford St Mary's Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School (2mi.) >	Below avg
100+	East Farleigh Primary School (3mi.) >	Fair
100+	Wateringbury Church of England Primary School (3mi.) >	Fair
100+	Loose Primary School (3mi.) >	Below avg
100+	Marden Primary Academy (3mi.) >	Good
100+	Boughton Monchelsea Primary School (3mi.) >	Well below avg



Last week we had our annual 'Vision and Values Day' when children were able to 'live life in all its fullness', *John 10:10*, taking opportunities to challenge themselves to go outside of their comfort zone. We always have the children in mixed year groups for this; the compassion the older ones showed to our youngest pupils was incredible. The Chinese Dancing was something none of them had done before but they all performed with confidence. For our 4 values of compassion, joy, respect and perseverance, there were physical challenges including timed sprints around the playground, a joyful singing session and creativity. All these opportunities (and there will be more to come) fill memories that will nurture their growth and understanding in years to come.

I must add how wonderful it was to see parents and carers come to look at their child's work and discuss progress with their teacher. Our partnership with you truly develops a child's learning in a positive way. Should you wish to have further discussions or were unable to attend, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Continuing to say thank you to parents, we would like to send a deep appreciation to our PTFA and those parents who organised and helped with the school disco. The children love a disco; the dancing could certainly compete with the standard in Strictly!

On our final day of Term 1 it was a special time to celebrate Harvest as a community. Thank you to St Mary's Church for giving us the opportunity to not only celebrate this traditional time but moreover for helping to organise the much-needed distribution of our donations to Maidstone Homeless Care. We hope you enjoyed coming to Harvest and that those Harvest songs that the children have been practising are sung all through half-term!

Finally, thank you to all the children, staff, governors and yourselves as parents for your support throughout the term; the school community continues to be a real strength here.

Have a wonderful week's break and we will see you on Tuesday 28th October.

Mrs Makey



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

### Class chocolate competition

During 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> December we will have our annual chocolate competition, whereby we ask for donations of chocolate towards our beloved chocolate tombola and then the class who donate the heaviest amount of chocolate will win a non-uniform day in the new year!

The weight will be pro-rated so that Devas (the smallest class) won't miss out.  
 If you see any chocolate on offer over the next 7 weeks, check the weight and stock up!

### Rainbow Raffle

For something a little different this year, we will be running a Rainbow Raffle at our Christmas Fayre and are therefore asking for donations of items that we can use to make colour themed hampers. Each year group has been allocated a colour and we will be asking for donations of items in that colour. For example, Reception have been allocated the colour red, so we will be asking for red hamper donations from that particular year group. We ask that items are non-perishable and are well within their use by date. Please pass any donations to the office or a member of the PTFA before 1<sup>st</sup> Dec.



### 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.

<b>Tuesday</b> 4/11/18/25 Nov 2 Dec	Ball Games Club <b>3:20-4:20pm</b> (Book on SchoolMoney)
<b>Tuesday</b> 4/11/18/25 Nov 2 Dec	FT Kids Club <b>3:20-4:20pm</b> (Book on SchoolMoney)
<b>Wednesday</b> 29 Oct 5/12/19/26 Nov 3 Dec	Street Dance <b>3:20-4:20pm</b> (Book on SchoolMoney)
<b>Thursday</b> 30 Oct 6/13/20/27 Nov 4 Dec	Tennis Club <b>3:20-4:20pm</b> <a href="https://goteamup.com/p/9629630-hotshotz-tennis-ltd/courses/124550/">https://goteamup.com/p/9629630-hotshotz-tennis-ltd/courses/124550/</a>

Mondays 3/10 Nov	Swimming lessons for Year 3 at Mote Park Leisure Centre
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<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	First day of term 2
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Deadline to apply for Year 7 Secondary School place for Sept 2025
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Sweets & treats sale after school
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual & sibling school photos
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov 1:30pm pick-up	Year 5 visit to Coxheath library
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	PTFA AGM – Coffee & Cake 2:15pm – Refreshments 2:30pm – Quick meeting
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov 3:00pm-5:30pm	Hunton Christmas market at St Mary's Church
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Non-uniform day "bring a bottle"
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas fayre 2pm-3:45pm
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec 6pm	Wreath making at Hunton Village Hall
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	9:15am – Christingle service at St Mary's Church. All welcome
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Last day of term 2</b>



### Attendance

Every School Day Counts

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

*For the past week these were the class attendance totals:*

Devas: 95%                      Bannerman: 94%

Porteous: 97%                      Borton: 90%

*Well done to XXXXX who achieved the highest attendance for 6<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025.*



### 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.

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 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Devas	-
Bannerman	Zoe
Porteous	Kingsley
Borton	Harry
House points winner	Rosa Parks

### How to keep children safe this Halloween

Halloween can be an exciting time of year for children, dressing up and going out after dark. But, whilst Halloween is supposed to be spooky there are some horrors that families will want to avoid.

So, here are our top tips for a safe Halloween that you can remember for all the right reasons.

<https://capt.org.uk/halloween/>

All correspondence that you are sent can be found here: <https://hunton.kent.sch.uk/parents/parent-correspondence/>

If you have mislaid a letter from school or forgotten details about an upcoming school trip, please check the website.

### Millbrook half-term activities

Millbrook have lots of different events on over the half term. These do need to be booked in advance.

<https://www.millbrookgc.co.uk/webshop/events/events-staplehurst>

### Borton Boys Football

On Monday, 13th October, it was the turn of the Borton boys to represent Hunton at the Gallagher Stadium for the World Cup. Hunton, representing team Brazil, ended the tournament brilliantly. Despite a slow start, Hunton displayed some good passing football and managed to beat Senacre 2-1 in a closely fought match. The boys managed to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 5 in their group, missing out narrowly on a quarter final spot by just one point. Well done Hunton!







## IT'S GREEN HOP BEER WEEKEND

AT HUNTON VILLAGE CLUB



**FRI 17 OCT • 6:30–10:30PM**

**SAT 18 OCT • 12-3PM & 6:30–10:30PM**

**SUN 19 OCT • 12–3PM**

### ALSO ON SHOW

Exhibition of vintage photos  
& memorabilia from  
Hunton's hop-picking history

### WHY NOT HOP IN!

 **HOT TOASTIES &  
BACON ROLLS** will also be  
available at certain times throughout the event.  
**YUM-DIDDLY-DO-DAR!** 



Hunton Parish Council have now installed a yellow post at the car park at the village club.

They have asked that we pass on their grateful thanks to all parents for respecting the parking restrictions.

### PTFA Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who has supported our events during term 1. We are pleased to announce that we have raised the following amounts:

Disco: £203.66

Pre-loved Uniform sale: £146.50

Sweets & Treats sale today: £141.30

We are looking to purchase some more outdoor equipment for playtimes, so thank you for helping us to achieve this.

Lest we forget...



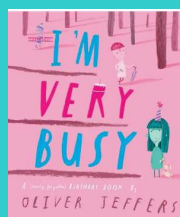
### Remembrance Service

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November  
10:50am

St Mary's Church,  
Hunton

All welcome

### Oliver Jeffers book signing at Waterstones, Tunbridge Wells

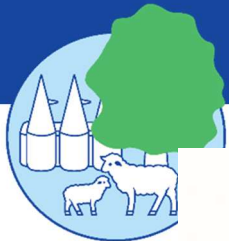


Come along and meet visual artist and bestselling author Oliver Jeffers as he signs copies of his new picture book, *I'm Very Busy* – a poignant – and

laugh-out-loud funny – story about what happens when we are so busy, we sometimes forget the things – and people – that matter most.

Book a ticket in advance to secure a place in the queue and a copy of *I'm Very Busy*.

<https://www.waterstones.com/events/book-signing-with-oliver-jeffers/tunbridge-wells>



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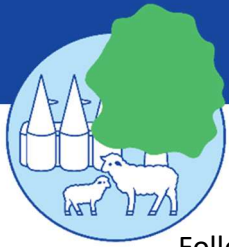


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**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER**

Help producing your ad available for a small extra donation





Following on from last years successful wreath workshop, we will be holding another one this year. We did sell out last year and the evening was enjoyed by everyone so please book early if you would like to come along.



**Wreath  
Workshop**

HUNTON VILLAGE HALL,  
WEST STREET,  
HUNTON, ME15 0RR

**SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER  
6PM**

£40 PER PERSON - INCLUDES ALL  
MATERIALS, DRINKS  
AND NIBBLES

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CEP PTFA**

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## Activities across the Benefice

### Weekly



#### Tiny Tots Toybox

Under 5's Stay and play  
Thursday 1:30 – 3pm  
Holy Trinity, Coxheath

#### Bible Brick Builders

KS1&2 After school club  
Thursday 3:30 – 5pm  
Holy Trinity, Coxheath



#### Little Angels

Under 5's Stay and play  
Friday 1 – 2:30pm  
All Saints, West Farleigh

### Monthly



#### B&B Youth on Sunday

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month  
7:30 – 9pm  
Holy Trinity, Coxheath

### Occasionally

#### Messy Festivals

All age alternative worship  
3 – 5pm  
St Nicholas, Linton



[www.unitedbenefice.church](http://www.unitedbenefice.church) or

Facebook : United Benefice Kids  
for more information

*Christmas  
Mini Photoshoot*

**Saturday 22nd November**

*St Marys Goudhurst  
30 min Photoshoot, 5 Digital Images  
and Candy Canes!*

**£65.00**

**Contact  
Rachel to Book a Space  
07855 777060**