



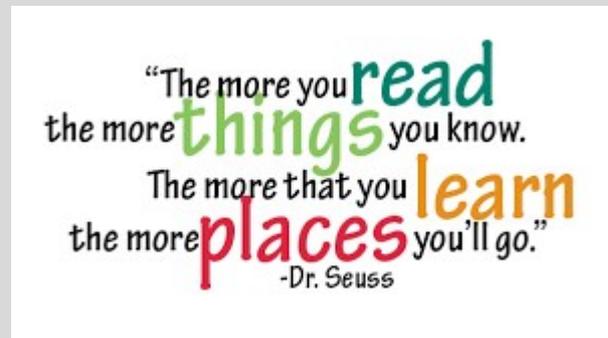
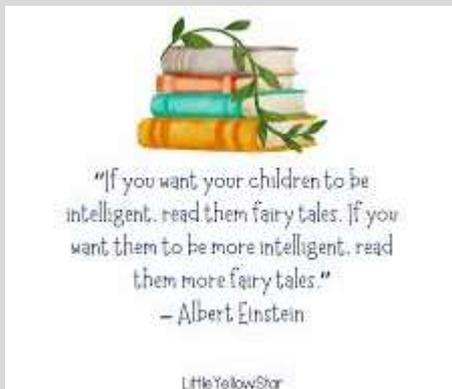
Headteacher News

Compassion, Joy, Perseverance, Respect

This term began after Lent had started in half term. I hear many of the children had pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. This ancient Christian tradition symbolises repentance and a fresh start, reminding us to be thoughtful in our actions and kind to others. We have also been learning about how to resist temptation as Jesus had to do in the wilderness for 40 days and nights. Rev Lorna and Becky led collective worship and had children eating doughnuts without licking their lips! It was a meaningful experience for the children, helping them to understand the significance of Lent.

With just two weeks in to Term 4 there has been so much curiosity, experiences and talent in true Hunton style. Devas had their first school trip to Kent Life. They had a brilliant time despite the inclement weather and represented Hunton so well. Borton Class music lessons are quite a phenomenon on Thursday afternoons. We are now seeing and hearing their keyboard playing progress by playing whole pieces of music. Year 4 had their visit to Coxheath Library this week. With the majority of children having a library card the children really enjoyed independently choosing a book to read for pleasure. There's not a lot in life that's free but this wonderful library, its books and clubs is!

What incredible costumes and clever ideas came in through the gates on Thursday, World Book Day. Who would have thought that dressing up as a word would produce such a sight? The children all participated in a parade. Congratulations to the winners though it was so hard to choose and thank you to the PTFA for the generous prizes. Please don't forget to read to your children as well as expecting them to read to you. I previously wrote about the million-word gap which can happen if children are not read to.



Finally, but most importantly, I must sadly (for us) relay to you that Mr Hawes, our business manager and so much more, is retiring at the end of this term. Mr Hawes has a significant role in our small school, not just as a business manager but also as someone who has cared so much for the children and the school. Often at weekends and during the holidays he quietly comes in to school to ensure that the children have the best environment to learn in. His skills have so benefited us, as well as saving us lots of money. Do you know he has painted classrooms, plumbed in sinks and toilets, attached guttering, cleared leaves, attended to flower beds, cleaned carpets and constantly mends items? He has worked here for over 6 years and in that time has put in Diocesan bids and helped with grants. Without him there would not have been a new roof, gate and lighting or the new canopy. We really will miss his calm, friendly demeanour and his love of cakes and tea room recommendations.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Makey



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: 96% Bannerman: 95%

Porteous: 96% Borton: 98%

Well done to **BORTON** who achieved the highest attendance for 23rd February – 6th March 2026.



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 27 th Feb	w/e 6 th Mar
Devas	-	Hugo
Bannerman	Jesse	Thomas B
Porteous	Bethany	Emilee
Borton	Freddie	Ronnie
House points winner	Bear Grylls	Rosa Parks

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.

Mondays 9/16/23/30 Mar	Football Club 3:20-4:20pm
Tuesday 10/17/24/31 Mar	FT Kids Club 3:20-4:20pm
Wednesday 11/18/25 Mar 1 Apr	HotShotz Tennis 3:20-4:20pm Click here to book
Thursday 12/19/26 Mar	Ball Games Club 3:20-4:20pm

Fri 13 th March	PTFA Mothers Day pop-up shop
Mon 16 th March 2:30pm	Devas Mothers Day tea party
Tues 17 th March 9am	Porteous class assembly
Sat 21 st March 6:45pm	Curry & Quiz
Tues 24 th March 9am	Bannerman class assembly
Fri 27 th March 9am	KS2 Hockey Tournament
Tues 31 st March	Parent consultations – information to follow
Weds 1 st April	Parent consultations – information to follow
Thurs 2 nd April	Last day of term 4
Thurs 2 nd April 9:15am	Easter Service at the Church. All welcome.
Mon 20 th April	First day of term 5



PTFA News & Events
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Last call for tickets for the curry & quiz night, we are at risk of having to cancel this event if we don't get more support, which is a shame as we needed to raise the money to create a new garden area for the children to use to breake-time.

Please come along if you can!

Teams are 6-8 people but come along even if there are 2 of you as there's always other friendly people to team up with.

Please check out the event on our Facebook page for more details:

<https://www.facebook.com/HuntonPrimaryPTA>

Mother's and others pop-up shop

On Friday 13th March the PTFA will be running a pop-up shop where children will be able to choose gifts at a cost of £2 per gift. These will then be wrapped and labelled for them to take home.

This payment is set-up on SchoolMoney, if you would like your child to buy more than 1 gift, please change the amount from £2. Alternatively, your child can bring in cash on the Friday morning (not before).

As usual, all money raised goes towards equipment and resources for the children, so we thank you in advance for your support.

Did you know...? Lent lasts 40 days and the number 40 is a significant number for Christians. Jesus spent 40 days in a desert. Noah had to wait 40 days for his ark to float. And Moses, along with his followers, travelled through the wilderness for 40 years before reaching the Promised Land. Lent comes from the Middle English word "lente," which means springtime.



Poppy in year 1 will be taking part in a sponsored swim relay race on 22nd March to raise money for Demelza Childrens Hospice. Please support this amazing charity:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/jks?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=020

Parental Questionnaires

We much appreciate those of you who have completed the parent survey. Your responses help us to move forward with our school improvement. The results will be shared with our governing body and also with yourselves in the next newsletter.

Please do always contact us if you have any queries. Whilst social media is a convenient way to contact each other, please be vigilant and be conscious that rumours and inaccuracies can occur.

Our School Garden

Our school garden was originally funded by the RHS, Ladham Trust and the Redhill Trust. We were very fortunate to have parents at that time who led on the design and planting. Mrs Hadaway and Mrs Kelly generously gave up their time last year and are continuing to do so this year so our children can experience the science and magic of growing fruit, flowers and vegetables. A huge thank you must go to them for their work so far especially on Wednesday after school when along with Ms Green and Mr Greengrow's tractor new bark was spread and new compost in the beds. If any other parents can help it would be wonderful. We have rather a lot of earth arriving which needs to be transported to the beds and plants which have been donated by B&Q.



Devas



Devas had a fantastic class visit to Kent Life last week. They were fantastic role models for our school and had the best day. They got to meet a range of animals, go on a tractor ride, enjoy a packed lunch and even got to end the day in the soft play!

Borton



In groups, Borton had to write a story, based on a dog, with only the sounds they could hear from an animation.

There was also a computing lesson, where children were using Microsoft Word.



Bannerman



4th March - Bannerman have been learning to use subtraction to find the difference in maths.



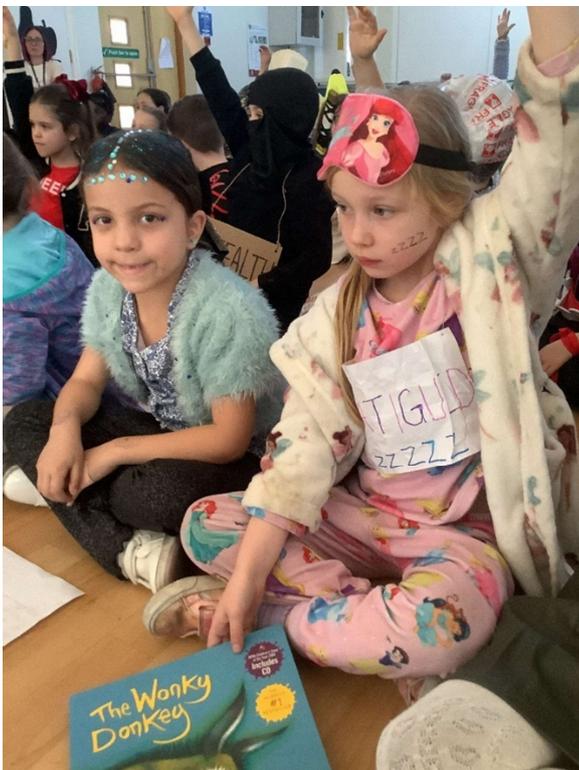
26th Feb - In history, Bannerman discussed the news that Neil Armstrong had landed on the moon. We created a Conscious Alley to decide if it was real or fake news.

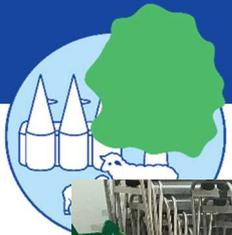


27th Feb - In Art, Bannerman learnt about the artist Wassily Kandinsky and particularly his most famous piece of art: Concentric circles.



Our winners of the 2026 World Book Day "Dress as a word" competition





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