



# Hughenden Primary School

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**Newsletter – July 2023**  
**SCHOOL NEWS**



Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to the July newsletter and it's hard to believe we only have three weeks left until the summer break. The pupils will be meeting their new teachers on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July; they will be spending the morning with them and completing various different activities. It is an exciting time for all!

We would like to welcome Helen Jackman, she has joined the Hughenden Team as our receptionist. She is working in the front office alongside Mrs Brinkworth and Mrs Brittin and has settled in well. Coming to the end of this school year, we will be saying goodbye to two members of staff who are leaving to pursue further career opportunities. Mrs Wainwright is moving to a local secondary school as their new transition lead and Miss Shafique is moving to a local primary school. From myself and the Hughenden Team, we would like to thank them both for their continued support and work over the years with the children, the staff team and the wider community. They have both showed dedication in ensuring that every child meets their full potential. We wish them both well with their new career opportunities.

We have successfully recruited a new teacher who will be joining us for the transition day on Tuesday and an experienced SENDCO will be supporting the school on a regular basis to ensure all SEND needs continue to be met. If your child is on the SEND register, we will be meeting you in September to share the individual provision maps – further details are to follow.

The class teachers are currently writing your child's end of term report and these will be sent home on 11<sup>th</sup> July. When you receive these, if you wish to discuss any information with their current teacher this can be done on the 12th July during the open classrooms from 3:20pm until 4pm.

Thank you to those parents who have completed the short survey to allow us to review the year with what has gone well and what can be improved for next year. To help with the review, I would like to ask you two questions of what has gone well this year? and even better if...?

If you haven't then the link is available here:

Short survey link: <https://forms.office.com/e/Luad8DdsxG>

We continue to welcome new families into the Hughenden community and this month we welcomed Aliza into Year 3 and Lysha into Year 6.

We very much hope you'll all be able to come along to the Summer Fete on the 15<sup>th</sup> July and join in the fun! We will be setting off from school at 12pm to walk down to the village hall to then enjoy all the activities and stalls including a 'wet the teacher' stall! I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Messenger and the parents who have been on the planning committee – it is set to be a great day. Kind regards,

**Mrs. Katherine Mann**  
**Headteacher**

### Thank you

On behalf of Mrs Cawley and Mrs Molony and the Village Fete Committee, we would like to thank you for supporting their cake and lolly sale which raised an incredible £135.10. The Year 5 girls did a great job supporting the sale and serving customers. Funds will be used to purchase a badge maker which they will use at the Fete on the 15<sup>th</sup> July and donate to the school afterwards. Any leftover funds will go towards our outdoor learning resources.

### French Day



What a fabulous time we all had on French Day! Each class learned about a different facet of French life and culture. Year 1 learned about famous French people; Year 2 focused on French cuisine; Year 3 played a game of football using French terms; Year 4 investigated French scientists; Year 5 produced fact files and artwork in the style of the French Impressionists and French fashion was the focus for Year 6.

In the afternoon, we celebrated with a lovely little concert, where all classes sang a French song to the rest of the school!

### Best LSA in Buckinghamshire!

This month Mr Churchill was chosen from hundreds of nominations to attend the Buckinghamshire teaching awards at Pinewood studios. From three very deserving people, he was chosen as the winner and we could not be prouder! Here is an excerpt from his nomination which was contributed to by teachers, governors and other LSAs.

Mr Churchill is not a qualified teacher- he is a higher-level learning support assistant. Yet, for the past two years, he has stepped up when teachers have been away and looked after their classes as if they had always been his own. He has offered our classes stability and care. He is the definition of 'safe hands'. Colin is always the first to arrive and the last to leave. He never cuts corners or teaches a lesson that he hasn't fully prepared for. He has a lot on his own plate yet will always stop what he is doing to help or to give really solid advice.

As our science subject lead, Mr. Churchill is passionate and always goes the extra mile. He has created raised beds for each year group, came in over the Summer holidays to plant thousands of Spring bulbs in the field, is a font for interesting, scientific facts in the staff room and spends his lunch breaks improving his own knowledge by keeping up-to-date with news from the world of science. His enthusiasm is infectious and it has enriched our Science curriculum. Pupils in the school all feel that they are scientists and what could be more important than that?



I would like to thank Colin and all of our wonderful, dedicated LSAs. Hughenden would not be the family that it is without you.

### **Eco Council – visit**



On Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> June we had a visit from Jill Armshaw and Dr William Jones from Hughenden Parish Council. We invited them to meet with our Eco Council so the children could find how the Parish Council operates and to explore what projects the Parish Council undertake to help our local environment. Hughenden Eco Council got to ask questions about the role the councillors have and how decisions are made within the Parish Council. The Eco Council shared their vision about Eco projects around our school including the planting of new hedging, raised beds, recycling crisps packets in the lunch hall, recycling used pens and how we might reduce the amount of paper we use in school. The Parish Councillors then had a tour of the school and they were very impressed with our green spaces. For Jill Armshaw it was a special visit because her children attended the school when it was an infant school - but we won't say how long ago that was! We agreed that we should stay in contact to see if we can help them or they can help us with local projects.

### **Schoolgrid Account Balances – hot school meals**

We note there are still several children with account balances outstanding which need to be cleared before the end of the academic year. If you need help with accessing your account, please request a reset through the school office. To make an online payment please contact Dolce Customer Services on 01942 409644.

### **Strike Day**

A separate letter was sent out on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June which outlined the classes which will be closed on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023. If you have not received this letter then please contact the school office.

### **Bucks County Show**



The Bucks County Show, which is one of the biggest one-day agricultural shows in the Country, will be held at Weedon Park, three miles north of Aylesbury on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023. The main attractions this year will be Atkinson Action Horses, the British Army Band Tidworth, The Sheep Show, Vintage Tractors, Countryside Area and much more. This is a fantastic fun and educational day out for all the family.

This year we are offering up to 3 FREE Child tickets (up to the age of 16) with a full paying Adult or Over 65 ticket when purchased online. To take advantage of this offer please click the link below and follow the instructions. This offer ends at midnight on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

<https://buckscountyshow.ticketsrv.co.uk/tickets/schoolbookings>

Please add the required tickets to your basket

Click 'Checkout'

Enter SCHOOL23 into the promotion code box and click redeem and continue with your purchase.

Also if you are stuck for something to do with the children over the Summer Holidays why not consider entering our Home and Garden section. Further details can be found by clicking the link below.

[Bucks County Show Schedules | Bucks County Show](#)

*Bucks County Show*

*Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023*

*No. 5 Lilies, High Street, Weedon, Buckinghamshire HP22 4NS.*

*01296 680 400*

[info@buckscountyshow.co.uk](mailto:info@buckscountyshow.co.uk)

### **National Book Token Completion**

Help us win £1,000 for our school's library! Nominate our school and you could take home £100 of National Book Tokens just for you: <https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

# LITTLE STRUMMERS MUSICAL THEATRE WEEK

21ST - 25TH AUGUST 2023

At Hughenden Primary School,  
HPI4 4LR

## Peter Pan

Ages 5-12yrs  
10am - 4pm every day  
(performance on Friday)

Join us for an exciting week of singing,  
dancing, and acting!

A great opportunity to work with a  
**West End MD and choreographer!**

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## Summer Holiday Gymnastics and Trampoline Camps

Throughout the Summer Holidays we will be running some fun and action-packed gymnastics and trampolining holiday camp days for ages 4 - 11 years, with the option for half or full days.

Please visit our website [www.springbucks.co.uk](http://www.springbucks.co.uk) and click on the Holiday Camp section for more details on how to book in via our website shop.

**VENUES:** Hazlemere Youth Centre, Rose Avenue, HP15 7UB  
Court Garden Leisure Centre, Pound Lane, Marlow, SL7 2AE

**DATES:** Running Tuesdays & Wednesdays at Hazlemere Youth Centre and Thursdays at Court Garden throughout August

**PRICE:** £16.00 for a half day (9am - 12 or 1 - 4pm)  
£35.00 for a full day (9.00am - 4.00pm)

**BOOKINGS ARE FILLING UP FAST SO BOOK IN  
ASAP TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!**



## Summer Activities 2023

Keep your kids active this summer!

### Trampoline

Tuesday 15th August  
1:00-2:00pm  
2:00-3:00pm  
Thursday 17th August  
10:00-11:00am  
11:00-12:00pm

Price: £15 per session

### Fencing

Monday 7th August  
1:00-2:30pm  
Tuesday 15th August  
9:30-11:00am

Monday 21st August  
1:00-2:30pm

Price: £15 per session

### Play & Bounce

Thursday 27th July  
12:30-1:30pm  
Monday 31st July  
12:30-1:30pm

Thursday 10th August  
12:30-1:30pm

Monday 14th August  
12:30-1:30pm

Thursday 24th August  
12:30-1:30pm

Prices per session:  
Under 1s £1.00  
1-5years £4.00  
5-8years £5.00

These can be booked at Reception or by calling  
01494 688100



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## Summer Swimming Intensive Courses 2022

We are running 5 weeks of Intensive Swimming Lesson Courses plus Stroke Clinics to keep kids active this summer!

Intensive courses are 30 minutes a day running Monday to Friday, focusing on developing the strokes and skills of the stages. These are £37.50 for the 5 sessions.

Stroke Clinic classes are one-off 30-minute sessions for swimmers Stage 5 and above, focusing on refining the specific stroke. These are £7.50 each session.

<p><b>Week 1: 25<sup>th</sup> July – 29<sup>th</sup> July</b> 9:15-9:45 Stage 1 9:45-10:15 Stage 2 10:15-10:45 Stage 3/4</p> <p>2:45-3:15 Stage 4/5 3:15-3:45 Stage 5/6</p>	<p><b>Week 2: 1<sup>st</sup> August – 5<sup>th</sup> August</b> 9:15-9:45 Stage 1 9:45-10:15 Stage 2 10:15-10:45 Stage 3/4</p> <p>2:45-3:15 Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Breaststroke Clinic Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Front Crawl Clinic Weds 3<sup>rd</sup> Butterfly Clinic Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Backstroke Clinic Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Breaststroke Clinic</p> <p>3:15-3:45 Stage 5/6</p>
<p><b>Week 3: 8<sup>th</sup> August – 12<sup>th</sup> August</b> 9:15-9:45 Stage 1 9:45-10:15 Stage 2 10:15-10:45 Stage 3/4</p> <p>2:45-3:15 Stage 4/5 3:15-3:45 Stage 5/6</p>	<p><b>Week 4: 15<sup>th</sup> August – 19<sup>th</sup> August</b> 9:15-9:45 Stage 1 9:45-10:15 Stage 2 10:15-10:45 Stage 3/4</p> <p>2:45-3:15 Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Breaststroke Clinic Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Front Crawl Clinic Weds 17<sup>th</sup> Butterfly Clinic Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Backstroke Clinic Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Breaststroke Clinic</p> <p>3:15-3:45 Stage 5/6</p>
<p><b>Week 5: 22<sup>nd</sup> August – 26<sup>th</sup> August</b> 9:15-9:45 Stage 1 9:45-10:15 Stage 2 10:15-10:45 Stage 3/4</p> <p>2:45-3:15 Stage 4/5 3:15-3:45 Stage 5/6</p>	

All courses can be booked at Reception or by calling 01494 688100



SUMMER HOLIDAYS

# PREMIER HOLIDAY CAMPS

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Trustpilot  
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### PREMIER CAMPS NEAR YOU...

MANOR FARM JUNIOR SCHOOL,  
HP15 7PH

Monday 24th July - Thursday 31st August  
Ages 4 - 11

<b>FULL DAY</b> 9:00am - 3:30pm £25.00 a day	<b>EXTENDED DAY</b> 8:30am - 4:00pm £30.00 a day
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Additional info: We accept childcare vouchers / tax free childcare at this venue. Select this option when booking online and a colleague will follow with further info.

#### PLEASE BRING

- Plenty of water
- Suitable clothing
- Loads of energy!

Bounce into Summer with our multi-activity holiday camps!

These camps are a perfect blend of activities for all ages, combining different sports with a variety of team games.

Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities - from archery to fencing, dodgeball to cricket.

Book now for a Summer full of fun!

Contact us:  
[chilterns.office@premier-education.com](mailto:chilterns.office@premier-education.com)

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# Summer Stroke Clinics 2023

This summer we will be running stroke clinics, each with 30 minute lessons for 5 consecutive days. These clinics are for swimmers in Stage 4 and above and are great for those wanting to focus on improving the chosen stroke.

**Week 1** 24th - 28th July

2:45-3:15 **Breaststroke**

**Week 2** 31st - 4th Aug

2:45-3:15 **Butterfly**

**Week 3** 7th - 11th Aug

2:45-3:15 **Breaststroke**

**Week 4** 14th - 18th Aug

2:45-3:15 **Butterfly**



These courses are £40 for 5 days with lessons 30 mins each day.

These can be booked at Reception or by calling  
01494 688100



Here is the complete list of Term Dates and inset days for the 2023/2024 term

**2023 – 2024 Term Dates**

**Autumn Term 2023**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Autumn 1

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December (1:30pm finish) - Autumn 2

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – Christmas Holiday

**Spring Term 2024**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February – Spring 1

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Spring 2

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April (1:30pm finish) – Easter Holiday

**Summer Term 2024**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Summer 1

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Half Term

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Summer 2

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July (1:30pm finish) – Summer Holiday

**INSET Days – School Closed for all pupils**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024

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### SUMMER TERM 2023 DIARY DATES

3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2023	Year 2 Trip to Waddesdon Manor – details have been sent out
7 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	<b>INSET day – school closed to children</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Year 5 visit to Turnfurlong Junior School (The Linking Network)  Year 6 Games @ Misbourne  New Intake transition no. 1 - Welcome Meeting 9.30-11 am - parents and children
7 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	<b>Inset Day – school closed to children</b>
10 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Sports Day – REVISED DATE
11 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	School Reports being sent home  Year 6 - Oliver Twist Production, 5pm
12 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Year 6 - Oliver Twist Production 9.30am  EYFS Multi Skills @ Misbourne  Open Afternoon 3.20-4.15pm – meet class teachers for following academic year and raise queries on school reports
13 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	New Intake transition session no. 2 – children only
15 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Hughenden Valley Summer Fete – Save the Date
19 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	PTA Stay and Play – details to be announced on Classlist
20 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Year 6 Leavers Assembly, 2pm – Year 6 parents and family welcome.  Year 6 Picnic – after school – further details to follow from Class Rep
21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023	Last day of Summer Term – <b>1.30pm finish</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Start of Autumn Term