



Hughenden Primary School

Working together, Empowering Lives, Enriching Minds

Newsletter – October 2024
SCHOOL NEWS



Dear Parents / Carers,

We start with some sad news. We heard this morning that Sandra Thomas who was our crossing patroller working alongside Mario, sadly passed away last night after a short illness. Our thoughts are with her family and friends. Sandra was well loved by us all and built relationships with our families and the children she saw each week and will be missed by us all. We are waiting for details from her family as to how we can contribute towards an appropriate gift and will keep you informed.

September has gone by in the blink of an eye and we'll soon be reaching the half term break. It's been great to see such an array of learning taking place ranging from excellent descriptive writing by the Year 6 pupils imagining they had experienced the blitz; Year 4 understanding the importance of brushing their teeth and carrying out science experiments about digestion; and seeing Hoppers and Foundation enjoying a teddies bear picnic with their favourite cuddly friend.

We are hosting our open mornings for prospective pupils for September 2025. They are taking place on Monday 7th October and Wednesday 13th November 2024, both start at 9.30am. If you know of anyone interested to look around then please ask them to contact the school office.

We look forward to welcoming you to parents evening on Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October; the class teachers will be sharing how your child has settled in to the start of the year. The appointments are kept to 10 minutes so please arrive promptly. As a reminder, if you are late, we will have to ask you to reschedule for another convenient time.

Finally, thank you to the Friends of Hughenden Primary School for their continued support in raise much needed funds for the school. They are busily planning the Halloween Trial so do make sure you take part. The AGM is being held on the 17th October 2024 and we look forward to seeing you at the first meeting.

Thank you as always for your continued support and if you have any queries or questions then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards

Mrs. Katherine Mann

Headteacher

open day

Open Days

Having just welcomed our new families to Hughenden, it's time to start the process all over again for families with children due to start school in September 2025!

Our Open Days are scheduled to take place on the following dates: 7th October and 13th November - all sessions start at 9.30am. Please call or email the school office to book a place. We look forward to hearing from you.

Changes to collection arrangements

We have an increasing number of parents asking to collect their children early so they can attend appointments. Please note that on assembly days, Monday, Wednesday and Friday's, you will have to collect at 2.45pm before assembly starts. It is appreciated if you can provide advance notice in these instances so we can inform relevant staff ahead of time.

Absences

If your child is absent, please can you email attendance@hughendenprimary.co.uk with your child's full name and school year with the reason why they are absent from school. If this can be done no later than 9.30am, it really helps us account for all children – thank you.

Wraparound Care

There has been an increasing number of parents forgetting to book their children in for wraparound care. This has caused some confusion and upset amongst the children when they aren't sure where they are meant to be going. We thank you for your continued support and to ensure your child has a space, pre-booking is essential. Please make sure bookings are made by 2pm so that staff can be made aware.

Music Tuition at Hughenden



We work with a number of providers who deliver private music lessons to children throughout the school day. We will be organising some taster assemblies in the Autumn Term for children to see what's on offer. Children have the opportunity of learning guitar taught through Little Strummers, brass taught through The Bucks Music Trust and, piano and singing through Music Tutors 4 U. Please look at our website for their contact details; Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs.

Wycombe Leisure Centre

The leisure centre is now offering junior trampoline classes as well as fencing classes and pre-school swimming lessons. Please take a look at their website if this is of any interest to you.



NSG – Street Dance booking Link

Please use the link below to book a place for September Street Dancing Class:

<https://nsg-performing-arts.classforkids.io/info/22>

Hughenden Valley Football Club

Hughenden Valley Football Club is inviting new players for next season, starting in September 2024!

We enable more than 250 young people (aged 6 to 18) to be part of a club, play football with their friends and compete against other local teams. Connecting and supporting children from Hughenden, our volunteer coaches, managers and helpers focus not just on creating a great football experience, but also to providing the support and encouragement that young people need to develop the confidence that clubs like ours can help grow.

As the obvious benefits of regular exercise, playing football allows young people to interact and build friendships. It is also a great way for children to release energy and reduce stress, and it has even been shown that football can help children improve their memory, problem-solving skills and decision-making abilities. Our focus on positivity and teamwork yields great results with helping young people make connections with each other and their community, and supporting them as they learn how to work together to overcome challenges.

If your child enjoys football, visit www.hvfc.co.uk and get in

touch with Sarah Harding, Membership Secretary. We hope to hear from you soon!



Extra – Curricular Term Dates 2024

Please see our Clubs Timetable for the Autumn Term. All the details of how to book can be found on our school website under Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs.

Extra-Curricular Autumn Term 2024

DAY	Club	Type of Session	Start Date	How to Book	Times	Finish Date
MONDAY	Choir Club	Foundation – Year 6	9.9.24	Choir, open to everyone. (Free of Charge) Email: helen@littlestrummers.co.uk	Monday lunchtimes	16.12.24
TUESDAY	Street Dancing	Foundation – Year 6	9.9.24	Book via email: nsqperformingarts@gmail.com Foundation class room	3.15 – 4.15pm	9.12.24
WEDNESDAY	Strumming Club	Music Foundation – Year 6	11.9.24	Open to everyone, instruments provided. (Free of Charge) Email: helen@littlestrummers.co.uk	Wednesday lunchtimes	18.12.24
	Orchestra & Music Club	Foundation – Year 6	11.9.24	Orchestra & Music club open to everyone. (Free of Charge) Orchestra & Music club is now open to everyone learning an instrument or those that have never played. Email: helen@littlestrummers.co.uk	3:20pm – 4:15pm	18.12.24
THURSDAY	Samurai Kickboxing	Foundation, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3	19.9.24	Booking form on School Website Under Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs	3:15 - 4.15pm	5.12.24
FRIDAY	Gym Club	Foundation – Year 6	9.9.24	Booking link on School Website Under Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs Premier Sport – 16 places	3.15-4.15pm	16.12.24

Our Wrap Around Care is managed by Friends at Play who offer Breakfast Club from 7.30-8.50 am and After School Club from 3.20-6pm daily. Full details can be found on our website. Go to: [Parent Hub/Wrap Around Care](#). We also offer music lessons during the school day which are run by Little Strummers and Music Tutors 4U. If your child is interested in signing up for these lessons, please go to: Curriculum & Enrichment/Clubs for more information.

In order to comply with GDPR requirements, all forms need to be returned directly to the provider along with payment.

School Uniform

As noted in our uniform policy, parents can purchase non-branded uniform widely from local supermarkets. For example, if KS2 children prefer to wear a cardigan, a plain navy cardigan is perfectly acceptable.

Hughenden Hoppers Preschool	
White or pale blue polo shirt Preschool logo cardigan or sweatshirt Preschool logo book bag	
Hughenden Primary School	
KS1 Girls (Foundation - Year 2)	KS1 Boys (Foundation - Year 2)
Pale blue polo shirt School logo sweatshirt or cardigan Grey skirt or grey pinafore dress or smart grey trousers Checked blue/white dresses during the Summer Term - optional White or navy socks, grey or black tights Headscarves can be worn for religious reasons in plain blue or grey.	Pale blue polo shirt Grey trousers or shorts White, grey, navy or black socks School logo sweatshirt
KS2 Girls (Years 3-6)	KS2 Boys (Years 3-6)
White shirt (long or short sleeved) School tie Navy blue v-neck jumper with the school logo Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress White, grey, navy or black socks Blue/white checked dress in the Summer Headscarves can be worn for religious reasons in plain blue or grey.	White shirt (long or short sleeved) School tie Navy blue v-neck jumper with the school logo Grey trousers or shorts in the Summer - optional White, grey, navy or black socks
Whilst it is desirable for children to wear the logo uniform, we accept this may not be affordable to all our families. As such, children can wear a plain navy sweatshirt or cardigan which is available widely.	
Our PTA have a selection of 2 nd hand uniform available, please email them on friends.hughendenprimary@gmail.com	
All Children: these items are essential please	
Sensible shoes – black Wellington boots Trainers or plimsolls and socks Named drawstring PE Bag Navy tracksuit, top and bottoms, navy shorts, white t-shirt, PE socks School book bag with logo (for preschool, Foundation and KS1 only) Drinking bottle for water Lunchbox for KS2 Children if not taking a hot lunch	
<u>ALL ITEMS MUST BE LABELLED AND NAMED PLEASE</u>	
Long hair should be tied back neatly away from the face. No extreme hairstyles or hair gel is permitted. Any hair accessories should be in school colours. Nail varnish is not permitted.	
Jewellery No jewellery is permitted in school except for medical alert items.	

DIARY DATES 2024

7 th October 2024	Open Day 9.30am
8 th – 9 th October 2024	Parents Evening
10 th October 2024	Bikeability Level 1 – Year 3 / 4
14 th October 2024	One Can Trust Assembly
17 th October 2024	9am Phonics workshop 1 / 2 PTFA - AGM 7pm Year 3 classroom
18 th October 2024	PTFA – Year 5 donut sale
21 st October 2024	PTFA – Halloween milk bottle lanterns
23 rd October 2024	Harvest Assembly
24 th October 2024 24 th – 3 rd November 2024	Inset Day PTFA – Halloween trail
25 th October – 1 st November	October Half Term
6 th November 2024	Remembrance assembly
8 th November 2024	Diwali Mufti day – More details to follow PTFA Chore challenge starts
11 th November 2024	Odd sock Day – More details to follow
13 th November 2024	Open Day 9.30am
15 th November 2024	Children In Need Day – More details to follow
18 th November 2024	PTFA Chore challenge Ends
28 th November 2024	PTFA – Raffle donation
6 th December 2024	Inset Day
13 th December 2024	PTFA Foundation - Year 1 cake sale
20 th December 2024	PTFA 1.30 Winter Wonderland

FINAL Term Dates 2024/25 Academic Year - Hughenden Primary School



 Pupil Days

 School holidays

 Bank holidays

 Proposed inset days

 Transition Days



Sep-24							Oct-24							Nov-24							Dec-24						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30	Mon		7	14	21	28	Mon		4	11	18	25	Mon		2	9	16	23	30		
Tue		3	10	17	24		Tue		1	8	15	22	29	Tue		5	12	19	26	Tue		3	10	17	24	31	
Wed		4	11	18	25		Wed		2	9	16	23	30	Wed		6	13	20	27	Wed		4	11	18	25		
Thu		5	12	19	26		Thu		3	10	17	24	31	Thu		7	14	21	28	Thu		5	12	19	26		
Fri		6	13	20	27		Fri		4	11	18	25		Fri		1	8	15	22	29	Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28		Sat		5	12	19	26		Sat		2	9	16	23	30	Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun		1	8	15	22	29	Sun		6	13	20	27		Sun		3	10	17	24		Sun		1	8	15	22	29

Jan-25							Feb-25							Mar-25							Apr-25						
Mon		6	13	20	27		Mon		3	10	17	24		Mon		3	10	17	24	31	Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue		7	14	21	28		Tue		4	11	18	25		Tue		4	11	18	25		Tue		1	8	15	22	29
Wed		5	12	19	26		Wed		5	12	19	26		Wed		5	12	19	26		Wed		2	9	16	23	30
Thu		2	9	16	23	30	Thu		6	13	20	27		Thu		6	13	20	27		Thu		3	10	17	24	
Fri		3	10	17	24	31	Fri		7	14	21	28		Fri		7	14	21	28		Fri		4	11	18	25	
Sat		4	11	18	25		Sat		1	8	15	22		Sat		1	8	15	22	29	Sat		5	12	19	26	
Sun		5	12	19	26		Sun		2	9	16	23		Sun		2	9	16	23	30	Sun		6	13	20	27	

May-25							Jun-25							Jul-25							Aug-25						
Mon		5	12	19	26		Mon		2	9	16	23	30	Mon		7	14	21	28		Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		6	13	20	27		Tue		3	10	17	24		Tue		1	8	15	22	29	Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		7	14	21	28		Wed		4	11	18	25		Wed		2	9	16	23	30	Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thu		1	8	15	22	29	Thu		5	12	19	26		Thu		3	10	17	24	31	Thu		7	14	21	28	
Fri		2	9	16	23	30	Fri		6	13	20	27		Fri		4	11	18	25		Fri		1	8	15	22	29
Sat		3	10	17	24	31	Sat		7	14	21	28		Sat		5	12	19	26		Sat		2	9	16	23	30
Sun		4	11	18	25		Sun		1	8	15	22	29	Sun		6	13	20	27		Sun		3	10	17	24	31

friends *at* play 



October Half Term Holiday Day

Based at Hughenden Primary School
HP14 4LR

Available to all children ages 3 to 11

Full Session: 8 AM – 5 PM
School Session: 8:30 AM – 3 PM

Opening Dates:
28/10/24 – 1/11/24

£34 for a full day or £30 for a school day
***10% Sibling discount if booking more than one session.**

Breakfast and Snacks will be provided.
Please bring a packed lunch and water bottle along with you.
***Dietary Needs can be catered for. Please state on booking.**

Activities to Include:
Arts & Crafts, Cookery, Film Club, Team Games & Free Play.

We are always led by the children's interests.

To book your place please tick on the below link and sign up to our online booking system. **Alternatively** please contact me directly.

[Schedule for Friends at Play \(supersaas.com\)](https://supersaas.com)



Term Dates for Academic Year 2024 – 2025

Autumn Term 2024

INSET days (school closed for pupils)

Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September

Thursday 24th October

Friday 6th December

Children in School – Wednesday 4th September – Wednesday 23rd October (3.10/3.20pm)

Half Term Holiday Dates – Friday 25th October – Friday 1st November

Children in School – Monday 4th November – Friday 20th December (1.30pm)

Spring Term 2025

INSET day (school closed for pupils)

Friday 3rd January

Children in School – Monday 6th January – Friday 14th February (3.10/3.20pm)

Half Term Holiday Dates – Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February 2025

Children in School – Monday 24th February – Friday 4th April (1.30pm)

Summer Term 2025

INSET day (school closed for pupils)

Friday 4th July

Children in School – Tuesday 22nd April – Thursday 22nd May (3.10/3.20)

Half Term Holiday Dates – Friday 23rd May – Friday 30th May

Children in School – Monday 2nd June - Wednesday 23rd July (1.30pm)

INSET Days

Recommended in-service training days for teachers (school is closed)

Monday 2nd September 2024

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Thursday 24th October 2024

Friday 6th December 2024

Friday 3rd January 2025

Friday 4th July 2025

LIMITED TO 16 PLACES

GYMNASTICS CLUB

VENUE: Hughenden Primary
DATES: Friday 13th September - 18th October (6 sessions)
TIMES: 3:15pm - 4:15pm
CLASS: Reception - Year 6
COST: £34.50

CLICK HERE TO BOOK ONLINE TODAY!

Premier Education



HIGH WYCOMBE
RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB
KINGSMEAD ROAD HP11 1JB



TEAMWORK – RESPECT – ENJOYMENT – DISCIPLINE – SPORTSMANSHIP

Come And Enjoy Your Free 1 Month Membership

Sign Up Using The QR Code, Registration Link or Just Send An Email



MINI RUGBY FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5-12



JUNIOR RUGBY FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 13-18

YOUTH RUGBY EVERY SUNDAY FROM SEPTEMBER TO MAY FROM 10AM

With DBS and RFU-Approved Coaches

join@hwrufc.com

<https://hwrufc.com/childrens-registration-form>

FRIENDS OF HUGHENDEN PRIMARY (PTFA)

Sheena: Treasurer
Kate: Chair
Tasha: Secretary

INVITE YOU TO CONNECT WITH US AND HELP US RAISE MONEY TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

SIGN UP TO CLASSLIST:
<https://www.classlist.com>

Virtual platform we use to communicate events, fundraisers & sell tickets to the parent community. Search for Hughenden Primary School.

friends.hughendenprimary@gmail.com

Music for ALL
 MAKING MUSIC CHANGES LIVES presents

LEARN TO PLAY

12th OCTOBER '24

Join us at HW Music Centre
 Millbrook School HP12 4BA

9.30-10.15am Musical fun and games for 5-8 year olds
 10.30-12pm Come and try session for all ages

Scan the QR code to book or email us
hwmusic@bucksmusic.org

www.musicforall.org.uk

Music for All supports disadvantaged music makers across the UK
 Registered UK charity no 1055371

