



Hughenden Primary School

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Newsletter – November 2022
SCHOOL NEWS



Here are the entries to the PTA Pumpkin Carving Competition



Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back after the half term break. Thank you to all those who entered the Halloween pumpkin competition just before half term. There was a high standard of carving skills so it certainly made the judging very challenging! Thank you again to the PTA for arranging the competition, the Halloween trail around the village and also the up-and-coming disco; all the funds raised are to support the school.

Last month we welcomed members of the Governing Board into school and they spent a morning visiting all classrooms meeting the pupils and staff. During the visit, they were focussing on the learning behaviours and how the pupils had settled into the new school year. They were very impressed with the positive attitudes displayed by all and they felt the school had a very welcoming and calm atmosphere.

On Thursday 10th November we are running an open morning for prospective parents for children due to start Foundation in September 2023. If you have any local friends or family looking for a school place then please ask them to contact the school office for further details.

We look forward to welcoming Mrs Anwar to the Hughenden Primary staff team. She will be working alongside Mrs Brinkworth and Mrs Brittin in the office as a Receptionist/Midday Supervisor starting on the 14th November 2022 – we look forward to welcoming her to the team.

Finally, we would like to say congratulations to Mrs Brinkworth and Mrs Lane for their 15 year Buckinghamshire Service Award – where would we be without them!

Kind regards,

K Mann Headteacher

One Can Trust & Show Racism the RED card

We were proud to support the One Can Trust for our Harvest charity again this year and wish to thank all our families for their generous contributions. We also acknowledged Show Racism the RED card today by wearing RED.



Charities we are supporting this term

School are acknowledging and supporting a number of charities this term and we would like to share this with you:

13th November - Remembrance Sunday

The Poppies and school merchandise have arrived and will be on sale at the beginning and end of every day up to and including Friday 11th November. Prices are 50p/£1 for the merchandise and donations are appreciated for the poppies. Thank you for your support.

18th November 2022 - Children in Need and Hi Vis Day

Children are encouraged to wear spots/yellow or pudsey clothing with their Hi Vis on the top half and normal uniform and school shoes on the bottom half - your donation of £1 towards Children in Need would be greatly appreciated.

8th December 2022 - Christmas Jumper Day - Save the Children

Children are encouraged to wear their Christmas jumpers/top/sparkly clothes on the top half with normal uniform and school shoes on the bottom half. Your donation of £1 towards Save the Children would be greatly appreciated.

If children would rather not participate in these events, they should wear their school uniform to school as normal.

Flu Immunisation Clinic – Foundation to Year 6

Details have been emailed to all parents with children in Foundation up to Year 6 for them to opt in for their child to have their Flu Nasal immunisation in school. This is taking place on the 16th November. The deadline is midday on the 15th November. Any queries should be directed to the School Nursing Team:

If you have any queries regarding the online consent form or the Flu vaccine please contact the Buckinghamshire Immunisation Team on 01494 323000 or bht-tr.buckschildimms@nhs.net.

Young Voices 2023 - 6th February 2023

The children in Year 4 have been working hard in music and are really looking forward to performing in Young Voices 2023. They are excited to be part of a massed choir of 5,000 children singing and dancing at the magnificent Wembley Arena. Taking part in enrichment activities such as this are very special, giving the children an experience and memories that will stay with them forever.

If you would like your child to take part, please do send in your booking in to the office by 11th November 2022 at the latest.

Hughenden Manor at Christmas - singing on Saturday 10th December 2022

We are thrilled to have been invited to take part in this year's Christmas celebrations at Hughenden Manor. Our choir will be singing at 11am on Saturday 10th December. Our performance will last about 30 minutes.

We would love as many children as possible to be involved in representing Hughenden at this festive activity. If your child is interested in taking part, they will need to join the choir. Please ask them to come along to the Music Corner on Wednesday lunchtime from 12.30pm to 1pm.

Carols around the Tree - Sunday 4th December 2022

We will again be leading the singing at our local traditional event, Carols around the tree, which is due to take place on Sunday 4th December from 4pm. We will be practising our Christmas songs in school and are looking forward to welcoming the start of Christmas in the village. Please try to come along and support this popular, festive local event.



SAFE ROADS FOR ALL

Everyone's life matters on roads

ROAD SAFETY WEEK 

14-20 November 2022

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The theme of Road Safety Week 2022 is SAFE ROADS FOR ALL, bringing together communities and professionals to shout out for everyone's right to make safe and healthy journeys on safe roads.

We will raise awareness of key areas of road safety the Government supports, including safe roads, safe vehicles and speeds, the new hierarchy of road users, and the importance of inclusivity to keep us all safe on the roads, no matter who we are, or how we travel.

High Wycombe travel consultation now live: Transport Strategy and Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan

We are delighted to confirm that the High Wycombe travel consultation is now live and runs until 28 November. The consultation includes the draft Transport Strategy and draft Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan. These plans have been developed through input from local stakeholders, thank you if you inputted into our stakeholder workshops.

We're asking for feedback on suggested improvements to cycling and walking routes. We also have big questions about what travel might be like by 2050 that we'd like views on.

Tell us what you think of our plans for seamless, sustainable and safe travel, where walking, cycling, and other green options are easier than ever.

[Read more and answer the survey here](#)

We need to identify transport measures that can support the planned growth in High Wycombe. The draft Transport Strategy and draft LCWIP outline how we support the planned growth in High Wycombe and make travel around High Wycombe fit for the future.

We want to hear from residents, local businesses and anyone who travels in High Wycombe about these plans so please do share your views and pass on the details of this consultation to your local networks.

Find out more and complete our survey at: www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/high-wycombe-travel

Alternatively, visit High Wycombe Library for printed copies of the document and survey

Or chat in person at one of our drop-in sessions:

- **Eden Shopping Centre**, High Wycombe – Saturday 5 November – 10.30am to 2pm
- **High Wycombe Library** – Friday 18 November – 10am to 4pm

Kind regards,

Strategic Transport and Infrastructure Team
Buckinghamshire Council

Accelerated Reader- what is it and how can you use it at home?

<https://ukhosted102.renlearn.co.uk/6703707>

When do pupils start using it?

At Hughenden, when pupils are in Year 2 and finish the phonics scheme (this could be at any point in Year 2 but generally not before Christmas) they will move onto using Accelerated Reader.

What is it?

At its heart, 'Accelerated Reader' (AR) is simple. A student reads a book, takes an online quiz, and gets immediate feedback. Students respond to regular feedback and are motivated to make progress with their reading skills. Based on these comprehension tests as well as extra ones we do called Star Reader tests, the system generates a number range for the child. They will then go to our school library or their class library and choose a book that is numbered within this range.

Accelerated Reader gives teachers the information they need to monitor students' reading practice and make informed decisions to guide their future learning. AR reports reveal how much a student has been reading, at what level of complexity, and how well they have understood what they have read. Vocabulary growth and literacy skills are also measured, giving teachers insight into how well students have responded to reading schemes

What can you do at home?

Encourage your child to read every day.

Read with your child, using voices when you read and asking questions along the way to check their understanding and to show your own interest in the text.

Encourage your child to finish books before they move to another- unless they really aren't enjoying it! We want our students to build good reading stamina.

You can log them in at home to take the comprehension quizzes when they have finished! Even if the book isn't from school, it is likely to be on the AR system so pupils can still take the quiz. The web address at the top of this page will take you there and your child will have been given their log in details at school. Feel free to message teachers for the login if it has been forgotten.

AUTUMN TERM 2022 DIARY DATES

19/12/2022, 20/12/2022 07/07/2023	INSET days 22/23 academic year
3 rd November 2022	PTA Mufti Day and Halloween Disco
7 th November 2022	Tempest Photos in school – individual
10 th November 2022	Open morning for prospective parents, 9.30am Y1 Multi Skills @ The Misbourne
11 th November 2022	Remembrance Day Year 3 & 4 cinema trip – The Bad Guys
13 th November 2022	Remembrance Sunday – Poppies are on sale
14-20 th November 2022	Road Safety Week
15 th November 2022	Year 5 & 6 cinema trip – The Railway Children
16 th November 2022	Flu Immunisation Clinic – Foundation to Year 6 inclusive
18 th November 2022	Hi-Viz Day - walk from the village hall Children in Need – wear spots/yellow/Pudsey and donate £1
21 st November 2022	Y6 Heights & Weights - School Nursing Team – please refer to letter emailed on eSchools 3/11/22 for further details
22 nd November 2022	EYFS/Year 1 & 2 cinema trip – The Bad Guys
23 rd November 2022	E-safety workshop – details and times to follow
28 th November 2022	Year 5 History off the page – Anglo-Saxon Day in school
30 th November 2022	Open morning for prospective parents, 9.30am
4 th December 2022	Switching on the Christmas Lights, Village Hall
w/c 5 th December 2022	Assessment Week KS1 Nativity
6 th December 2022	EYFS/KS1 Nativity to Parents – 2pm
7 th December 2022	EYFS/KS1 Nativity to Parents – 9.30am
8 th December 2022	Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children Dolce Christmas Lunch – order on Schoolgrid in the normal way
10 th December 2022	Choir to sing Christmas Songs at Hughenden Manor – 11am
12 th December 2022	Children can wear Christmas Jumpers to school again Christmas Grotto – AM Christmas Fayre – 3.30-5.30pm – refer to Classlist for further information
14 th December 2022	Y6 Trenchard Museum Trip
16 th December 2022	Last day of Autumn Term, 1.30pm finish
4 th January 2023	Back to school
9 th January 2023	Open morning for prospective parents, 9.30am
16 th January 2023	PTA School Discos – further information to follow from PTA on Classlist