



HUNTER HALL

PREPARATORY & PRE-SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

We ended last week with beautiful sunflowers for every family courtesy of the Ravens as their final act of summer kindness with their boys, and this week we end with the launch of our 30th birthday celebrations by having a party and hoisting our new school flag. Photos will be posted next week, but I hope everyone had fun today!

Getting the school back to normal has been so pleasing for everyone. The minibus has been busy with its first fixture run of the season to Sedbergh, and there will be many more to follow in the coming weeks.

Swimming has also resumed much to the children's delight, and I had to smile as one of the children said Wednesday was their best day ever with double maths, swimming and then rugby at Sedbergh. I'm glad mathematics was in there!!

Mathematics has also been high on the agenda in upper school as the children completed their first mathematical times table challenge of the term. We celebrated no less than 6 children who received gold certificates in assembly this morning as all of them reached the gold standard in their first attempt. Brilliant!

Our parent group are having their first meeting of the year on the 27th of September at 7pm at school, having been in mothballs for over 18 months. Anyone is welcome to attend this meeting, however little or much you can help us. Come and meet new friends, enjoy a cuppa and find out what plans are afoot for the new academic year.

You may have noticed a generator in the car park; this is because they are putting in new electric cables to the new housing development up the lane. Hopefully it will soon be sorted, but we have had some disruption to our power and therefore our computer systems this week.

We have had a new addition to our Hunter Hall Family – Grace was born at the end of the summer break – congratulations to Charlie and Mum and Dad on their new addition: beautiful.

Speaking of beautiful, Miss Borthwick is now Mrs Parker, and I promised a photo of the happy couple after they tied the knot last Friday. Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Parker.



There has been an observation from several parents in the car park about children straying away from mum and dad when coming and going from school as cars are leaving. Please can I ask you to be extremely vigilant in the car park and know where your children are at all times. We don't want the unthinkable to happen.

Whatever you are up to this weekend- enjoy. See you all Monday when we welcome Old Hunters – the Hyde brothers of '3 Inch Fools'. They are in to perform a junior-friendly version of 'Romeo and Juliet' followed by a drama workshop with the children in upper school.

Mrs D Vinsome

Pre-School News

What a fabulous week we have had in pre school!

We have been extremely busy talking about our families, talking about who lives in our house (including pets) and who else is in our family, even if they live far away.

We have drawn beautiful pictures of our families, talking about how we all have different people who live with us and some of us even have more than one house.

The children have been very busy in their music and singing lessons, preparing something very special to sing in front of our families and friends.

It has also been a week of starting to think about our upcoming season change, we have been talking about what our new season is going to be and what happens. We have been busy exploring the chalks on the tuffty tray too, creating a range of different marks and shapes. Well done preschool!



Mrs Parker

Book Week: Advanced warning!

Today, we thoroughly enjoyed kicking off our 30th year celebrations in style. We thought it would be fitting to link our school's birthday to our theme during Book Week too.

Roald Dahl's last stories were published in 1991, when our school arrived on the Frenchfield site. This was one year after Dahl's death in November 1990. Not only were Dahl's stories some of the most popular in the 1990s, they still are today. Added to this, lots of our children were 'bitten by the Dahl bug' last summer when we performed our own production of 'Matilda'. Therefore, I would like to give you advance warning that our book week theme this year will be THE STORIES OF ROALD DAHL, and most importantly for you, the theme of our dress up day. Whether it be Revolting Rhymes, the BFG or the Hungry Crocodile, I hope that gives enough to whet your children's appetites! Book week will begin on the week of 4th October. The specific date for the dress up day is TBC, but we will let you know shortly!



Week ahead

Monday 20 September 2021

All Day	3 Inch Fools workshop and performance- all morning
10:00 - 12:00	Richard Evans (drums)
12:00 - 18:30	Barbara Gilbertson
14:00 - 15:30	U9 Hockey & U9 Rugby v AF Team sheet on noticeboard. Return 4pm approx
15:30 - 16:30	Upper school - Choir
15:30 - 16:30	Lower school - Tag rugby
16:30 - 17:30	Upper School- Band

Tuesday 21 September 2021

	OE Year 3/4 Group 1
15:30 - 16:30	Upper School - Fencing
15:30 - 16:30	Upper School- Chess
15:30 - 16:30	Lower School - Running
16:30 - 17:30	Exam Prep Year 5

Wednesday 22 September 2021

08:00 - 09:00	Ian Butterworth (brass)
09:15 - 11:15	Year 3-6 Swimming
13:30 - 16:00	U9 & U11 Hockey Triangular (Gigg+BGS) Team sheet on noticeboard. Return 4.30 approx.
15:30 - 16:30	Upper School - Languages
15:30 - 16:30	Lower School - Street Dance

Thursday 23 September 2021

	Year 5 Outdoor Education
08:30 - 15:30	Barbara Gilbertson
15:30 - 16:30	Upper School - Mindful colouring
15:30 - 16:30	Lower School - Colouring
15:30 - 16:30	Lower School - Football

Friday 24 September 2021

All Day	LAMDA begins
08:30 - 10:30	Garry Linsley (woodwind)
11:15 - 11:45	Year 2- Swimming
12:00 - 15:30	Andrew Roze (guitar/ukulele)
13:45 - 14:45	Astro Hire- Penrith Leisure Ctr Y5/6 Hockey
15:30 - 16:30	Upper School - Running
15:30 - 16:30	Upper School - Cookery club
15:30 - 16:30	Lower School - Free Play