

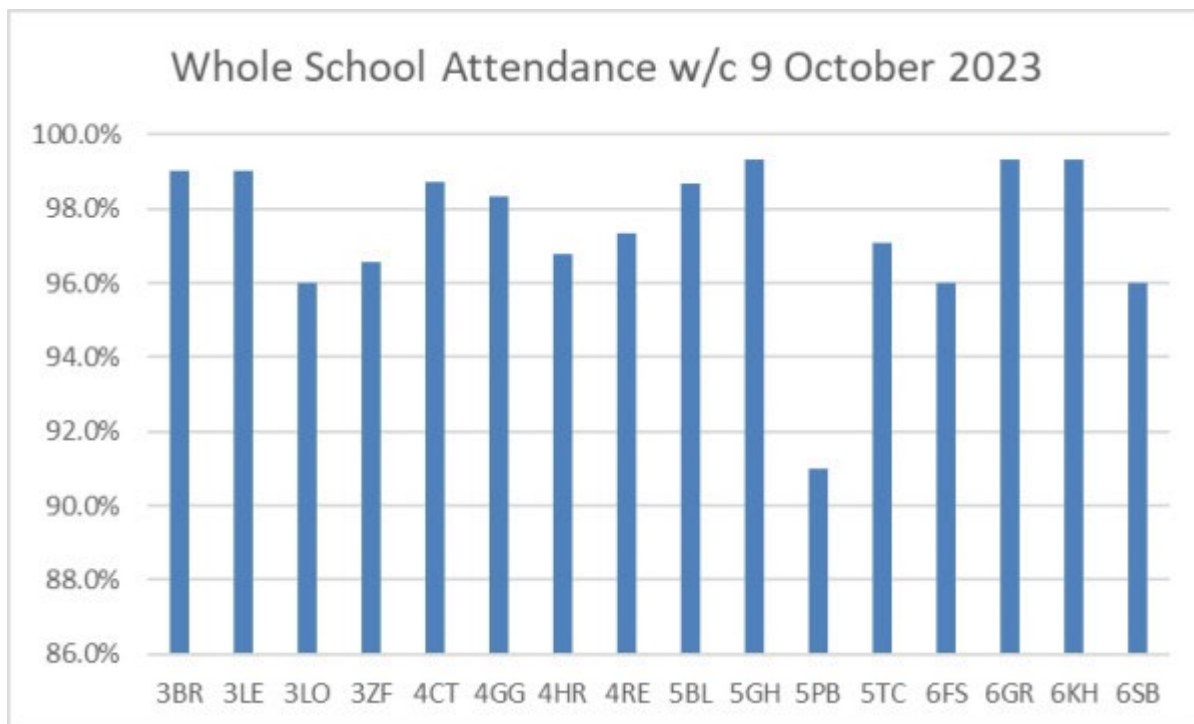


# HOOK JUNIOR SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 13 October 2023

### Attendance



**Whole School Attendance this week: 97.4%**

## Workshops for Parents and Carers - Online Safety and Children's Mental Health

We are delighted to invite you to our curriculum workshop on Monday 30 October from 5pm until 7pm. The event will focus on two key themes: "Online Safety" and "Children's Mental Health". The training will be delivered by Brightcore Consultancy, experienced consultants on safeguarding pupils as well as mental health and well-being.

Whilst we appreciate this is an Inset Day, we would encourage as many of you to attend as possible; the sessions will be relevant to you as a parent of a child in any year group. This event is not suitable for children to attend.

If you would like to attend, please complete the form that was sent via Parent Mail on 6 October.

Alternatively, please email admin office ([adminoffice@hook-jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@hook-jun.hants.sch.uk)) giving your name, your child's full name and how many seats you would like.

## NSPCC's "Speak out. Stay safe." Programme

I am pleased to inform you that we are participating in the NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe.* Programme this term. *Speak out. Stay safe.* is a programme for children aged 5-11 which aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline.

This child friendly programme is aligned with the curriculum and consists of an age-appropriate virtual assembly. Later in the term, we will provide further details about face-to-face workshops for Year 5 and 6 led by a NSPCC volunteer. The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy. If you would like to know more about the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme visit [www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout).

On Thursday 19th October, the children will be joining the virtual assembly which will be led by Miss Evans.

### **Additional NSPCC resources for families to help keep children safe**

The NSPCC have shared some important information below on wider NSPCC resources and support to help keep children safe.

**Parent/Carer support:** Take a look at information, support, advice and activities from NSPCC for parent and carers. [www.nspcc.org.uk/parents](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/parents)

**Activities to extend learning at home:** Take part in games and activities at home to help children learn about speaking out and staying safe. [www.nspcc.org.uk/activities](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/activities)

**Online Safety Hub:** For information on a range of different online safety topics including gaming, social media, sharing images, parental controls and more. [www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety)

**Childline – under 12's:** Childline have an accessible website with advice, support, games and activities. Children can change the language, enlarge text and also listen to the content. [www.childline.org.uk/buddy](http://www.childline.org.uk/buddy) (5-7), [www.childline.org.uk/kids](http://www.childline.org.uk/kids) (7-11)

**Talk PANTS with your children:** Talk PANTS is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides simple but important messages. Download the free resources at [www.nspcc.org.uk/pants](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/pants).

## HSCA Fireworks Competition

The HSCA Spectacular Fireworks display is being held on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November and this year's competition for the Junior School is to make a fun firework night themed sculpture or for those that don't like crafting, write a poem.

Explore your imagination... raid the recycling bin, yesterday's orange juice bottle and an empty kitchen roll can be stuck together, stick some paper streamers on the top and coloured paper for flames out the bottom and you have yourself a rocket! Or use some cardboard and make a whole scene with all the stalls we have at the event, fairground rides, stage and fireworks on the field! Use pencils, pens, crayons, chalk, tissue paper, glitter, paints, Lego, anything you like! Be creative, but just **make sure that your entry is no wider than a sheet of A3 and no higher than a sheet of A4**. As these will need to be carried into school, please make sure they are sturdy. No pre-bought kits please.

Bring your entry (with your name and class on the back) to your classroom on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November by 9am and all entries (except the winners as they will go to Bridges but will be returned after a few weeks) will be returned on the same day.

One overall winner will be chosen from each school judged by the Headteacher (Mrs Martin). Both school winners will receive a free family ticket\* for the fireworks event & on the big night will be invited onto the stage to lead the countdown to start the fireworks! PLUS the winning school entries will be displayed in the Hook Bridges Estate Agents window for the whole of Hook to enjoy! Other additional certificates and prizes may also be awarded.

If you have any questions, please get in touch at [HSCAevents@gmail.com](mailto:HSCAevents@gmail.com)

For more information about the event or to buy tickets see [www.pta-events.co.uk/hasca](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/hasca). As this is normally a sell-out event and tickets are selling fast we recommend buying tickets now to avoid disappointment.

Have fun being creative, we can't wait to see your creations!

Thank you from the HSCA Events Team

\* If the winner has already purchased an event ticket, a refund will be arranged.

## Hook Fireworks 2023 - 4th November 2023

This incredible community event is organised by the HSCA and is their largest fundraiser of the year to raise money for both Hook Infant and Hook Junior schools. The team behind this are all volunteers, but need some additional help on the event day - **if you can help, even just for an hour, please sign up using the list below!**

The event has sold out well ahead of time for the last 2 years, so it is advisable to get your tickets as soon as possible. **Family tickets have been replaced with a "Family Discount" this year - simply add 2 x Adult and 2 x Child tickets to your basket and a discount will be applied at checkout!**

To purchase tickets and sign-up to volunteer, please visit: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hasca/>

More details in the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

## HSCA Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

The Hook Schools Community Association will be holding a pre-loved uniform sale after school on Friday 20 October on the school playground. Proceeds from the sale go directly to supporting the HSCA fundraising efforts for the Infant and Junior schools.

If you have uniform that you would like to donate, please place clean and good condition items in the HSCA uniform donation bin immediately outside the Junior school reception.

## Rushmoor and Hart Supporting Families Bulletin

The latest Rushmoor and Hart Supporting Families bulleting is attached to this message. It contains useful information about things to do during the half-term holiday and up to Christmas, plus an enormous amount of local support information for children and families.

### Victorias Promise Supper Party Night

Please save the date: Victoria's Promise are pleased to announce that their Supper Party Night 2023 will take place on Friday 24th November from 7pm - midnight with live music at Bel and The Dragon, Odiham! Tickets are priced at £65.00 and include a welcome drink, supper and half a bottle of wine per head. Tickets will go on sale shortly and all proceeds will enable us to support our local ladies, and their families, through cancer. See [www.victoriaspromise.org/events/](http://www.victoriaspromise.org/events/) for updates.

### Stars of the Week

Year 3: Logith J, Sophie W, Sienna T, Daniel G

Year 4: Blythe S, Thomas B, Lilia A, Elliott H

Year 5: Hope M, Jack H, Henley P, Rosanna B, Finlay P

Year 6: Sehensa DS, Becca AF, Barnaby B, William P, Ethan P, Miguel A

### House Points this week

Austen: 174

Brunel: 187

Nightingale: 172

Wellington: 173

House point winners this week: Brunel!

### Find out more...

Follow us online to see much more about what's happening in school.

[Twitter.com/hookjunior](https://twitter.com/hookjunior)

[Facebook.com/hookjuniorschool](https://facebook.com/hookjuniorschool)

[Instagram.com/hookjunsch](https://instagram.com/hookjunsch)

### Key Dates

New dates added since the last Newsletter appear in green

Dates for 2023 - 2024

9 Oct Learning Consultations for Parents - 3.30pm until 6.30pm

10 Oct Learning Consultations for Parents – 3.30pm until 6.30pm

10-16 Oct Travelling Book Fair - after school

11 Oct Open Morning for Infant parents – 9am

16 Oct Year 6 Residential Trip to Marchants Hill

18 Oct HSCA AGM – 6.30pm for 7pm

23 Oct – 27 Oct Autumn Half Term

30 Oct Inset Day – school closed to children

30 Oct Parent Workshop on Mental Health and Online Safety, 5.00pm to 7.00pm

1 Nov Year 5 Marchants Hill Information Evening – 5pm

4 Nov HSCA Firework Show

13-17 Nov Anti-Bullying Week

13 Nov Odd Socks Day

13 Nov Astronomer visit for Year 5 (back up date is 20 Nov)

**13 Nov HSCA Bag2School Collection**

17 Nov Children in Need

21 Nov Year 5 Performance (5TC and 5GH) – 9.15am

22 Nov Year 5 Performance (5BL and 5PB) – 9.15am

30 Nov Flu Vaccinations in School

30 Nov Year 3 Learning Event – 2pm

2 Dec HSCA Christmas Fair

8 Dec Year 6 Learning Event – 2pm

12 Dec Christmas Production (4HR and 4GG) – 9.15am, parents to arrive from 8.45am

13 Dec Christmas Lunch for Pupils

13 Dec Carols around the Tree – 4pm

14 Dec Christmas Production (4RE and 4CT) – 9.15am, parents to arrive from 8.45am

18 Dec – 1 Jan Christmas Holiday

2024

2 Jan Inset Day – school closed to children

5 Jan Year 5 Swimming starts (classes tbc)

23 Jan Young Shakespeare Company Visit

24 Jan Coffee Morning for all Parents – 8.45am

29 Jan Young Voices Concert (selected Choir members)

5 Feb Learning Consultations – appointments between 3.30pm until 6.30pm

6 Feb Safer Internet Day

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Hook Junior School Weekly Newsletter

12 Feb – 16 Feb Spring Half Term

19 Feb Inset Day – school closed to children

**28 Feb HSCA Bag2School Collection**

4 Mar SATs Presentation to Parents – 5pm

7 Mar World Book Day

11 Mar Science Week (all week)

14 Mar Gremlin Dance Challenge

15 Mar Red Nose Day

27 Mar Year 3 (3BR & 3ZF) Easter Service in the Church (Learning Event) – 9.30am

27 Mar Year 3 (3LO & 3LE) Easter Service in the Church (Learning Event) – 2pm

29 Mar – 12 Apr Easter Holiday

**23 Apr Year 4 Ufton Court Viking Workshop in school**

**24 Apr Year 4 Ufton Court Viking Workshop in school**

29 Apr Open Box Theatre Company visit for Year 5

6 May Spring Bank Holiday

8 May Coffee Morning for Parents of Year 2 Children – 8.45am

13 May SATs Week

27 May – 31 May Summer Half Term

14 Jun Class Allocation Letters to Parents

17 Jun Sports Day

19 Jun Information Evening for Parents of Children in Year 2 - 5pm

5 Jul End of Year Reports to Parents

10 Jul Strawberry Tea

24 Jul – 30 Aug Summer Holiday

Safeguarding your children is our priority. Please contact the schools Designated Safeguarding Leads, either Mrs L Martin (Headteacher), Mrs N Bailey (Deputy Headteacher), Miss J Carne (Inclusion Leader) or Miss E Smith (SENDCo) with any concerns. Further Safeguarding information and support can be found via [www.NSPCC.org.uk](http://www.NSPCC.org.uk) or Childline 0800 1111. Any concerns may also be raised directly with Hampshire County Council Children's services phone line (anonymously if you wish) by calling 0300 555 1384. Keeping our children safe is everyone's responsibility.

HOOK SCHOOLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

# Hook Fireworks

2023

## COMPETITION

Make a firework-themed sculpture!  
Write a firework-themed poem!

**EXPLORE YOUR IMAGINATION...**

Raid the recycling bin, use pencils, pens, crayons, chalk, tissue paper, glitter, paints, Lego, anything you like!

**BE CREATIVE!**

It can be 2D or 3D but just make sure that your entry is not wider than A3 /taller than A4

**BRING YOUR ENTRY TO SCHOOL BY WED 1 NOV**

**Remember to put your name & class on the back!**

The winner, as judged by Mrs Martin, will receive a **FREE FAMILY TICKET**, and will lead the countdown on the stage on the big night!

PLUS - the winning entry will be displayed in the Hook Bridges window for the whole of Hook to enjoy!

Other additional certificates and prizes may also be awarded.

\*No pre-bought kits please



# Victoria's Promise

## Supper Party Night

**Bel & The Dragon, Odiham**  
**Friday 24th November 2023**  
**7pm - Midnight**

Tickets: £65.00 to include welcome drink, supper & half a bottle of wine per head.

Book your tickets now at:  
[www.victoriaspromise.org/events](http://www.victoriaspromise.org/events)

Any questions please email  
[katrina@victorias-promise.org](mailto:katrina@victorias-promise.org)

# LIVE MUSIC



Welcome drinks sponsored by Bel & The Dragon.

**Helping us raise money to support young women, and their families, through cancer and beyond.**



For  
**5-12**  
year olds

# OCTOBER HALF TERM GYMNASTICS CAMP

ROBERT MAY'S SCHOOL, ODIHAM  
24TH, 25TH, 26TH, 27TH OCTOBER

**£35 per day (10am - 3pm)**

Springbox Gymnastics provides a fun, safe and encouraging environment to learn gymnastics skills.

Our gym camp is suitable for all abilities and offers a range of activities, including skills practice, games and bouncing around on our inflatable tumble track. Non-members welcome!

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