



HOOK JUNIOR
S C H O O L

Weekly Newsletter

Week ending Friday 8 November 2024

Governing Body Monitoring

Welcome back to the new school term! During the autumn term, we conducted a governor monitoring visit. We had the opportunity to observe practices, meet with staff and students, and discuss these key areas in depth.

As part of the visit, we reviewed safeguarding measures, including online safety and safer recruitment, and assessed health and safety protocols to ensure a secure learning environment. We also looked at attendance trends and behaviour support systems, noting how the school promotes positive behaviour and inclusivity for all pupils. These insights are invaluable as we work together to support a safe, welcoming, and thriving school community.

We are currently seeking applications for a Co-opted Governor to join our Governing Board and help support the school's mission and values. Co-opted Governors play a vital role in overseeing the school's strategic direction, supporting academic and wellbeing initiatives, and ensuring we provide an inclusive and engaging learning environment. If you are interested in contributing your time and skills to help make a difference, please visit our [website](#) for more details on how to apply.

Nermin Holland, Parent Governor

Help raise funds for our library refurbishment when you shop online

We are registered with [easyfundraising](#). It's a simple way to raise funds for the school every time you shop online **and there is no cost to you!** Over 7,000 brands will donate to the school when you use easyfundraising to shop with them, all at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and will make a big difference to the school. We would really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely free and only takes a moment.

Funds raised via easyfundraising will contribute to the purchase of new library furniture that will benefit all children when they visit the library. [Read more about our library refurbishment project on the school website.](#)

Find out more about easyfundraising and sign up at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hook-junior-school/>

Thank you so much!

Year 7 Applications for September 2025

The 31 October 2024 deadline for applications to Year 7 in September 2025 has now passed. If you have not yet applied for a Year 7 place, you must now make a late application online at <http://www.hants.gov.uk/admissions>.

HSCA News

New Website & Email

The HSCA has had a digital refresh! Have a look at our new website at www.hsca.org.uk - you'll find all sorts of information about what we do, what we're planning, and how you can help. Our contact email address has also changed to team@hsca.org.uk, but don't worry if you send an email to our old email, it will be forwarded on automatically.

Christmas Fair 7th December

Less than a month to go until our Christmas Fair! We're so pleased that this year's Fair is sponsored by Hook's very own Karen Blackburn Dance Academy. Our new website has a dedicated [Christmas Fair](#) page to share all the details with you, please check it out! You can also book a slot for [Santa's Grotto](#) or purchase [raffle tickets](#). The amazing raffle prizes donated by our community are worth over £2,000 in total and include prizes for Jake's Playbarn, Untold Reality VR experiences, a Dropzone Gaming birthday party voucher and so many more! Keep an eye on our [Facebook page](#) for more detail on these fantastic prizes.

If you're planning on visiting the Fair please also consider helping out for an hour - sign up now at www.pta-events.com/hsca. Here are just some of the ways you can get involved:

- Transform the school into a winter wonderland by helping set up our event spaces - there are opportunities to help on Friday 6th too if you're unavailable on the day of the Fair.
- Race reindeer, drop Santa, or help kids find Wonka's elusive golden ticket at a Games Stall. Year 6s can run a games stall on their own or younger children can get involved with a grown up.
- Keep our visitors full of Christmas spirit by helping serve hot drinks and food from our kitchen.
- Help our littlest visitors choose the perfect gift for their grown up in Elfridges, our children's present room.
- Help make very special memories for the children visiting Santa's Grotto.

Please go to www.pta-events.com/hsca to see all volunteer roles.

Poppy Appeal

As we approach Remembrance Day on November 11th, we will be showing our support selling poppies and other merchandise from Monday 4th of November 2024.

Prefects sell poppies and other items during breaktimes to commemorate Remembrance Day, with all proceeds going towards supporting veterans and their families through the Royal British Legion.

All donations towards paper poppies will be accepted. Limited supplies of the following items are also available with prices as follows:

Wristbands: £2

Snap bands: £1

Reflective key-rings: 50p

We kindly request that children bring the correct money to school and thank you for helping us support this worthy cause.

Miss Stewart, Assistant Headteacher

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We are looking to recruit a friendly, caring person who enjoys working with children to join our hard working and supportive team of Lunchtime Supervisors.

The role involves helping to set up and organise our pupils in the hall, classrooms and outside areas, encouraging good manners and supporting healthy eating.

We can offer you continued professional development, happy, polite and well-behaved children within a caring, friendly environment where there is a genuine commitment to raising standards of achievement and care for all.

For more information and an application form, please contact the school office on 01256 762468 or adminoffice@hook-jun.hants.sch.uk.

Catering Assistant Vacancy

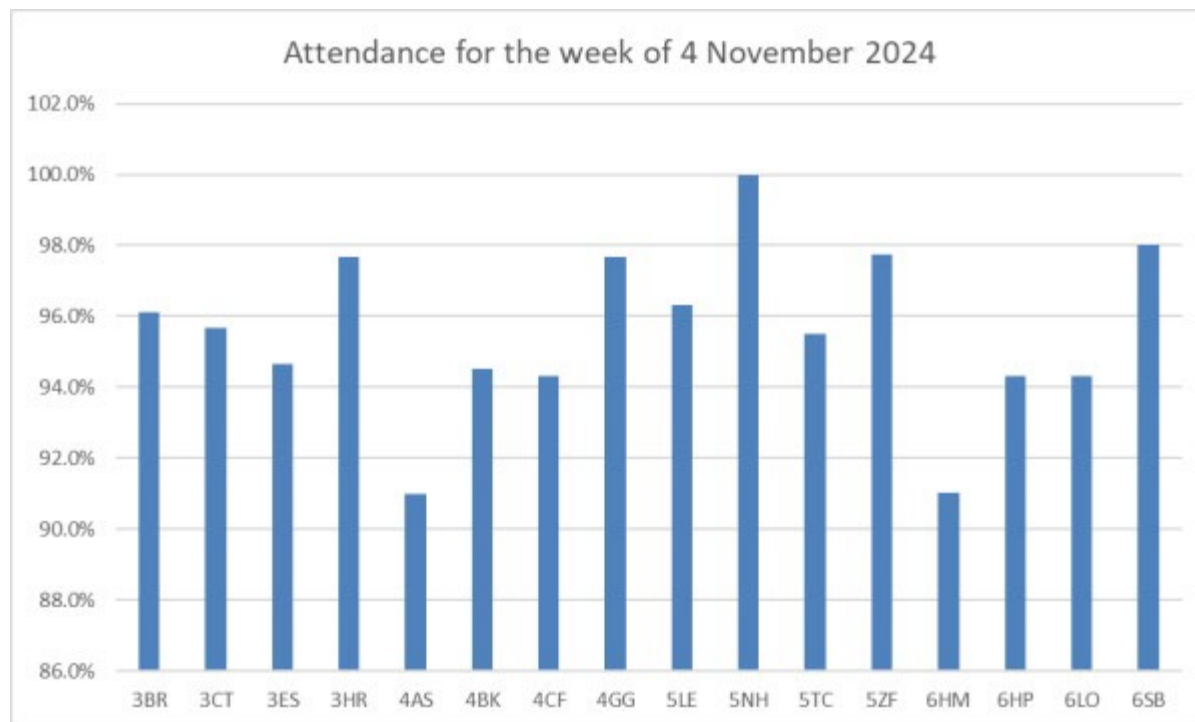
Pabulum Catering are now recruiting for a part time Catering Assistant to help us deliver exceptional food experiences to our children at Hook Junior School. As a Catering Assistant, you will be working in a passionate and hard-working team to create an outstanding experience for our school.

In return we offer an excellent work life balance, support and a fantastic company culture for a business committed to providing healthy food to children. At Pabulum, you're important; without our employees we wouldn't be where we are today with such a strong, innovative, and constantly growing business.

For more information and to apply online [visit the Pabulum website](#).

Attendance

Attendance this week



Whole school attendance this week: 95.6%

Stars of the Week

Year 3: Max W, Guneev R, Anna M, Ivy G, William R

Year 4: Roman W, Chris C, Sophie W, Imogen M

Year 5: Argheen S, Ethan M, Emily N, Isla P

Year 6: Elliot R, Sophie R, Max S, Thomas R

House Points this week

Austen: 226

Brunel: 119

Nightingale: 183

Wellington: 208

House point winners this week: Austen

Find out more...

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

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

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Key Dates

Event	Start Date	End Date	Time	End Time
Diwali Light It Up festival	Friday 08 November 2024	Friday 08 November 2024		
Remembrance Day	Monday 11 November 2024	Monday 11 November 2024		
Anti-Bullying Week	Monday 11 November 2024	Friday 15 November 2024		
Year 5 Stargazing	Monday 11 November 2024	Monday 11 November 2024	17:15	18:15
Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying Week	Tuesday 12 November 2024	Tuesday 12 November 2024		
Year 4 Gordon Brown Centre Information Evening	Wednesday 13 November 2024	Wednesday 13 November 2024	17:00	
Children in Need	Friday 15 November 2024	Friday 15 November 2024		
INSET Day - school closed	Monday 18 November 2024	Monday 18 November 2024		
Road Safety Week	Monday 18 November 2024	Friday 22 November 2024		
Christmas Jumper Swap Rail Opens	Wednesday 20 November 2024	Wednesday 20 November 2024		
Year 5 Learning Event	Tuesday 26 November 2024	Tuesday 26 November 2024		
Year 5 Learning Event	Wednesday 27 November 2024	Wednesday 27 November 2024		
Year 3 Learning Event	Wednesday 04 December 2024	Wednesday 04 December 2024	14:00	
Non-Uniform Day for HSCA Bottle Tombola	Friday 06 December 2024	Friday 06 December 2024		
Year 6 Learning Event	Friday 06 December 2024	Friday 06 December 2024	09:00	10:00
HSCA Christmas Fair	Saturday 07 December 2024	Saturday 07 December 2024	11:00	15:00

Event	Start Date	End Date	Time	End Time
Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday 12 December 2024	Thursday 12 December 2024		
NHS Flu Vaccinations	Thursday 12 December 2024	Thursday 12 December 2024		
Year 4 Christmas Production - 4CF and 4GG	Tuesday 17 December 2024	Tuesday 17 December 2024	09:15	
Pupil Christmas Lunch	Wednesday 18 December 2024	Wednesday 18 December 2024		
Year 4 Christmas Production - 4BK and 4AS	Wednesday 18 December 2024	Wednesday 18 December 2024	09:15	
Carols Around The Tree	Thursday 19 December 2024	Thursday 19 December 2024	16:00	17:00
End of Term - 1:20 Finish	Friday 20 December 2024	Friday 20 December 2024		
Christmas Holiday	Monday 23 December 2024	Friday 03 January 2025		
INSET Day - school closed	Monday 06 January 2025	Monday 06 January 2025		
Coffee Morning for all Parents and Carers	Wednesday 22 January 2025	Wednesday 22 January 2025	08:45	17:00
Children's Mental Health Week	Monday 03 February 2025	Friday 07 February 2025		
Safer Internet Day	Tuesday 11 February 2025	Tuesday 11 February 2025		
HSCA Bag2School Collection	Wednesday 12 February 2025	Wednesday 12 February 2025		
Book Fair	Wednesday 12 February 2025	Thursday 13 February 2025		
Learning Consultations	Wednesday 12 February 2025	Wednesday 12 February 2025	15:30	18:30
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HSCA Bake Sale	Friday 14 February 2025	Friday 14 February 2025		

Event	Start Date	End Date	Time	End Time
Spring Half Term	Monday 17 February 2025	Friday 21 February 2025		
Year 6 Bikeability	Thursday 20 February 2025	Friday 21 February 2025		
World Book Day	Thursday 06 March 2025	Thursday 06 March 2025		
Year 5 Young Shakespeare Company perform Hamlet	Thursday 06 March 2025	Thursday 06 March 2025		
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HSCA Uniform Sale	Friday 07 March 2025	Friday 07 March 2025	15:20	
STEM Fair	Monday 10 March 2025	Monday 10 March 2025		
Science Week	Monday 10 March 2025	Friday 14 March 2025		
Governor Day	Wednesday 12 March 2025	Wednesday 12 March 2025		
Red Nose Day	Friday 21 March 2025	Friday 21 March 2025		
HSCA Mother's Day Sale	Thursday 27 March 2025	Thursday 27 March 2025		
Year 6 Learning Event	Thursday 27 March 2025	Thursday 27 March 2025	14:00	
Year 6 SATS and RSE Presentations	Wednesday 02 April 2025	Wednesday 02 April 2025	17:00	
Easter Service	Thursday 03 April 2025	Thursday 03 April 2025		
End of Term - 1:20 Finish	Friday 04 April 2025	Friday 04 April 2025		
Easter Holiday	Monday 07 April 2025	Monday 21 April 2025		
Year 4 Residential Trip to Gordon Brown Centre	Monday 28 April 2025	Tuesday 29 April 2025		
Year 2 Parent Coffee Morning	Wednesday 07 May 2025	Wednesday 07 May 2025	08:45	
Year 6 SATS Week	Monday 12 May 2025	Friday 16 May 2025		
Summer Half Term	Monday 26 May 2025	Friday 30 May 2025		
Year 6 Bikeability	Thursday 29 May 2025	Friday 30 May 2025		
INSET Day - school closed	Monday 02 June 2025	Monday 02 June 2025		

Event	Start Date	End Date	Time	End Time
HSCA Father's Day Sale	Thursday 12 June 2025	Thursday 12 June 2025		
Sports Day	Wednesday 18 June 2025	Wednesday 18 June 2025	09:00	13:00
HSCA Summer Fair	Saturday 28 June 2025	Saturday 28 June 2025	11:00	15:00
HSCA Uniform Sale	Saturday 28 June 2025	Saturday 28 June 2025	11:00	15:00
Year 6 Production - 6SH and 6LO	Thursday 10 July 2025	Thursday 10 July 2025		
End Of Year Reports Circulated To Parents	Friday 11 July 2025	Friday 11 July 2025		
Year 6 Production - 6SB and 6HP	Friday 11 July 2025	Friday 11 July 2025		
Strawberry Tea	Thursday 17 July 2025	Thursday 17 July 2025		
HSCA Year 6 Leaver Festival	Monday 21 July 2025	Monday 21 July 2025		
End of Term - 1:20 Finish	Tuesday 22 July 2025	Tuesday 22 July 2025		
Summer Holiday	Wednesday 23 July 2025	Tuesday 02 September 2025		

Safeguarding your children is our priority. Please contact the school's Designated Safeguarding Leads, either Miss L Powell (Headteacher), Mrs N Bailey (Deputy Headteacher), Miss J Carne (Inclusion Leader) or Mrs Boardman (SENDCo) with any concerns. Further Safeguarding information and support can be found via 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.

Think Pharmacy First!



Did you know that you can take your child to your local pharmacy and get treatment for five medical conditions?

These are:

- Ear ache (children aged 1-17)
- Sore throat (over 5s)
- Infected insect bites (over 1s)
- Impetigo (over 1s)
- Sinusitis (aged 12 and over)

If your child is poorly with any of the above conditions, by going straight to your local pharmacy you can have a consultation with a trained pharmacist and receive advice and even medication (if appropriate) and your child can get back to school sooner.



Visit our Pharmacy First website to find out more.





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