



# Newsletter

Tuesday 4th July 2023



## New Intake September 2023

It has been lovely to welcome many of our new starters over the past few weeks and show them around our school. Tomorrow will be their first Induction Day, spending some time in the Owls Class, meeting their teachers and making new friends.

Tomorrow and Thursday see our Year 4's spend both days at their prospective Middle Schools as part of their Transition Programme. We have some very excited (and slightly apprehensive) Year 4's; I'm sure they will enjoy both days and settle well—they are very well prepared for the move to Middle School having benefitted from a vast range of transition events over the last two years.

Tomorrow, children will spend the morning in the classes they will be in come September, meeting their teachers and becoming familiar with their new classrooms and class routines.

## Year 4 visit to the Renew Church, Uttoxeter

Last Thursday, our Year 4 children were invited to take part in a Worship Morning led by Jordan Lambert (Christian Schools' Worker) and Mrs Sowden from Windsor Park. The activities included:

- Taking part in an 'Escape Room' experience where, working in groups, they had to find the correct verses and chapters from the Bible to unlock the door to a Lighthouse;
- Reflection/Circle time to introduce themselves to the children from our neighbouring Church Schools (Windsor Park, All Saints, Ryecroft and St. Mary's) and share any of their worries they might have about moving to their new schools;
- Writing a group prayer to share what they are thankful for;
- Our Worship Team performed some drama, led by Jordan.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the morning and were grateful for the opportunity to make some new friends ahead of September.

*'The morning was so much fun, I enjoyed meeting some new children and getting to know more of the teachers from Windsor. It gave me the chance to really think what I am thankful for and also how I can help and guide others in their own lives'* Eva, Year 4

*'It really enjoyed meeting some new people who I will see in September and other teachers from Windsor, like the History and Geography teachers. It was so much fun.'* Molly, Year 4

A huge thank you to Jordan and our Windsor Park colleagues for organising the morning and inviting us. Thank you also to our Parents for arranging transport to and from Uttoxeter— it is really appreciated.





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## GB Olympic Swimmer Amy Smith Visit to Hutchinson!

A huge thank you to all our parents, carers, families and friends for so generously supporting our sponsored event, inspired by our visit from Amy Smith.

Amy's visit was one of those moments I'm sure the children will remember for years ahead; relating to her own experience, Amy talked about the importance of hard work, commitment and resilience. She embodied our vision;

*'to ignite a passion for learning and an ambition for everyone to fulfil their hopes and dreams'.*

With your support, we raised a huge **£1,566.80!!**

Thank you so very much and thank you on behalf of Sport for Schools!

The money raised for school will be spent on funding new sports' equipment for the children.



## End of Year Attainment Success

June is always a busy time with teachers completing statutory assessments in each phase of the school. We have now submitted all of our assessments, including:

- End of Early Years Attainment
- Year 1 Phonics
- End of Key Stage 1 Assessments
- Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

This year, our Year 2 teacher assessments were subject to external moderation by the Local Authority. Following the rigorous process, scrutinising the evidence of 9 children's attainment, Mrs Manlove was commended for her excellent knowledge of the children and her accurate, well supported by evidence, assessment judgements. All the judgements were agreed.

Attainment at each phase is again extremely high, with the overwhelming majority of children attaining the expected standards and higher. For example, at the end of KS1, 100% of children attained the expected standard or higher in Reading.

In the Year 4 MTC, 70% of the cohort achieved full marks on the test - this is a phenomenal achievement!

Individual results will be distributed to Parents with their Annual Report On Friday, 14th..

## Sports' Afternoon

A reminder, parents and families are welcome to join us this Friday afternoon for our whole school Sports' Afternoon. The gates will open at 1.00pm. We have limited outdoor seating - please feel free to bring a chair/blanket to sit on. You will be able to collect your child in the usual manner once the races have finished.

If younger siblings are attending, for their own safety, please do not allow them to play on our new play equipment. Thank you.

We are looking forward to a fabulous afternoon!!



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## Upcoming Events

A reminder of events over the last few weeks of term....

### July

5th & 6th Y4 Transition Days

5th New Starters' Induction Visit

7th Sports' Afternoon @ 1.00pm

11th New Starters' Induction Visit 2

14th Annual Reports to Parents

18th Rocksteady Concert (for parents of children in the bands)

19th Parents' Evening from 3.30pm—5.30pm (no appointments necessary)

20th Leavers' Disco @ 5.00pm - 6.30pm. Whole school welcome. Tickets will be available shortly via School Money

24th Leavers' Service in Church @ 6.00pm - 7.30pm

25th End of Term Service in Church @ 9.15am. All welcome.

25th School closes for the summer holidays

### September

6th School re-opens to pupils

## Social Media

Please follow us, like and share our posts on Instagram and Facebook! We are increasing our presence on these—it's a great way to share with you snippets of school life and celebrate some of the amazing work and achievements of our school.

**Instagram: @hutchinsonmemorial\_school**

**Facebook: Hutchinson Memorial C.E. First School**



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