# **Newsletter**



## 7th March 2025

What a bustling few weeks we've had at Hugglescote Community Primary School! It's been a joy to see our school buzzing with activity and achievement.

First, I'd like to express my heartfelt thanks to all the parents who attended our recent parent consultations. Your engagement and support are vital to our children's success, and we truly appreciate your time and involvement.

One of the most exciting developments we've seen recently is the incredible transformation of our lunchtimes since the introduction of OPAL. The positive impact on our children has been nothing short of amazing. I'd like to extend a special thank you to our dedicated OPAL playteam and leaders for their hard work in making this initiative such a resounding success.

We've also had some wonderful events that have brought our school community together. Our children's participation in Young Voices was a highlight, showcasing their musical talents and enthusiasm. World Book Day was another fantastic celebration, igniting imaginations and fostering a love for reading across the school.

I'm thrilled to share some recent successes that demonstrate the dedication and talent of our children and staff. Our gymnastics teams achieved remarkable results, and I'd like to express my gratitude to the staff who devoted their time to train our children and accompany them over three evenings at the events. Additionally, we secured first place at the development swimming gala – a testament to the hard work and determination of our young swimmers.

Looking ahead, we have some exciting events on the horizon. Our Year 4 children will be participating in a Life Skills Day on 12th March, an invaluable opportunity for personal growth and development. We'll be capturing memories with class photos on 18th March, and on 21st March, we'll be joining in the fun for Red Nose Day. To round off the month, our PTFA will be hosting discos on 28th March – always a highlight for our children!

I'm delighted to announce that Mrs Partner will be joining our school team as KS1 Leader after Easter. Although appointed before Christmas, we've waited for her current school to make their announcement. We're looking forward to welcoming Mrs Partner to our community and the wealth of experience she'll bring to our team.

As always, I'm immensely proud of our school community – the children, staff, parents, and carers who make Hugglescote such a special place. Your continued support and engagement are what drive us forward, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to thrive and succeed.

Here's to another fantastic half term ahead!

Paul Driver Headteacher

#### **Parent/Carer survey**

Thank you to all parents/carers who completed our annual survey at the recent consultation evenings. If you did not have the opportunity to complete the survey you can do so by clicking the link or scanning the QR code below on a device.

https://forms.office.com/e/HKkKgWUrBB

We really do value your opinions.

The survey will close on the 21st March 2025. Thank you

Parent's Survey 2025



## **Young Voices Choir**

On Thursday 27th February, we took 50 children from years 4, 5 and 6 to the BP Pulse Arena in Birmingham to sing as part of the Young Voices choir. They had a long day of rehearsals practicing the songs and dances before the parents arrived and the concert began! We were so proud of all of our children, they gave it their all and their

behaviour was exemplary. Well done Hugglescote!





### **Swimming Gala**

On Tuesday, we took a group of Y5 and 6 children to The Whitwick and Coalville Leisure Centre. Here, we took part in gala, giving the children the taste of what Competitive Swimming Races are like. Coalville Swimming Club were there to help with the races and the atmosphere was electric. All our swimmers did fantastically well in their individual races and the medleys. They represented our school with great spirit and were very respectful of other competitors. With lots of first, second and third places we did do really well and finished 1st

overall! Congratulations!

Mrs Baugh and Mr Nash

6	St Clares	
2	Snarestone	
4	Worthington	
1	Hugglescote	
7	Warren Hills	
4	Woodcote	
8	Packington	
3	St Hardulphs	
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#### **Gymnastics Competitions**

Level 1 Rise- Gymnastics Competition We had one team entering. Although they were a mix of excited and nervous, they were absolutely fantastic - remembering all their routines, performing to their best with smiles on their faces, and supporting each other and the gymnasts from other schools. We didn't quite make it onto the podium this year, but we were so proud of all four gymnasts who represented Hugglescote!

Level 2 Rise Gymnastics Competition - Well done to our two teams that competed in three disciplines: Ribbon; Floor; and Vault. Despite feeling nervous, they were so supportive of each other and showed great spirit throughout. They represented Hugglescote and should be very proud of themselves!

Level 3 & 4 - This time, we had two teams in the Level 3 competition and one team in the Level 4. They were amazing! Everyone of our gymnasts put so much effort into their routines and were so supportive of each other and gymnasts from other teams. In the Level 3 competition, we had one gymnast finish 2<sup>nd</sup> and Team A finished 2<sup>nd</sup> overall, missing out on 1st by one point! In the Level 4 competition, we had one gymnast finish 3<sup>rd</sup> and one gymnast finish 2<sup>nd</sup>!!

And once again, as a team, we missed out by the narrowest of margins, finishing in 2 place! So proud of all the gymnasts. Well done girls.

#### **Children's Mental Health Week**

At the beginning of February we acknowledged Children's Mental Health Week.

We had an assembly to remind us about what Mental Health is and how we need to look after our feelings, as well as our bodies. The theme was 'Be Yourself, Grown Yourself!' This really emphasised how important it is to know our feelings, what to do if we are feeling sad or angry and how to better ourselves. We always look after our Mental Health at school so it was a great reason to remind everyone how important Children's Mental Health is.

On the topic of Mental Health, as a school we are reapplying for the Wellbeing Award! We achieved this award three years ago and as a school we prioritise both children's and adult's Mental Health so we are really excited to reapply! We will be sending out questionnaires to both adults and children to help us achieve this so we really appreciate your support.



#### **Attendance**



<u>Class</u>	<b>Attendance</b>	
	<b>Percentage</b>	
Ladybirds	98%	
<b>Bumblebees</b>	97.4%	
<b>Butterflies</b>	92.4%	
1MS	93.4%	
1LC	96%	
1SSm	95.4%	
1SS	97%	
<b>1</b> JJ	97.1%	
1JW	98.7%	
2MD	94.6%	
2NS	96.3%	
2DB	96.7%	
2SR	94.9%	
2JN	96.8%	
2ZN	97.4%	
2RW	94.3%	
2KT	97.9%	
2GH	99.5%	
2LR	96.7%	

Well done to 1JW for having the highest attendance so far this year, and to 2GH for having the highest attendance since the last newsletter!





#### **March**

12th- Year 4 Life Skills Trip

18th- Class Photos

21st- Red Nose Day

#### **April**

4<sup>th</sup>- Year 3 and Year 4 – Conkers Visit

12<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> - Easter Break - School Closed

16th- EYFS National Offer Day (Sept 2025 starters)

30th- Year 5 RE Day- Leisure Centre

#### May

12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> - KS2 SATs Week

23<sup>rd</sup>- EYFS Pirate Picnic - All Saints Primary School

24<sup>th</sup>-1<sup>st</sup>- May Half Term – School Closed

#### June

11<sup>th</sup> - Saffron Lane Athletics

12<sup>th</sup> – EYFS Punch and Judy Show

20th- Year 3 Spinney Hill Visit

20th - Year 6 Collab Fun Day

23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 Beaumanor Residential

#### <u>July</u>

9<sup>th</sup> – End of school year