

Our Ref: HP2317

5 March 2026

Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Hunsley Primary Newsletter

Welcome to World Book Day at Hunsley Primary and to the latest Newsletter! We hope that everyone is having a positive week.

Today, the children are coming in their most comfy clothes to celebrate reading. I am sure they will love wearing their cosy PJs, warm cardigans, soft trackies, school PE kit or whatever helps them to sit, relax and enjoy reading. Our lunch menu is also having a themed makeover! The children are taking part in reading-related activities and also undertaking challenges – our favourite is the ‘guess the reader’ challenge with staff in fabulous disguises! See below for more ways to support your child’s love of reading.

Thank you to the Hunsley Primary Parent Partners for putting on the disco tonight, too. We look forward to seeing the children there. There will also be some creative activities for children to do in the Hall between dances. If your child likes to wear ear-defenders when dancing, if they don’t have a pair in school, please bring these in with you.

Finally from me this week, a reminder about the growing traffic on Bluebird Way. You’ll have spotted the hazard signage at the top of the road, but we will still have an increase in vehicles accessing the area for the coming months with both the Starbucks and the Home Bargains projects planned for completion later in the summer. Take care and please could I remind the younger children to stay with their adults at all times when accessing or leaving the site.

Wishing you all a weekend full of exciting reading and stories when it comes, hopefully inspired by today!

Yours sincerely,



Lucy Hudson
Headteacher

Don’t forget, we are social! Follow us on 

A **really important** reminder about the significance of **regular attendance** at school and for all families to make sure your child is present in school throughout the national assessment periods detailed below. We recently sent out a summary of our **attendance, wellbeing and health** approaches, support and expectations. If you missed this, you can find it on our website, too: [Focus on Attendance and School Health](#).

Statutory assessment periods
An important reminder!
Please add to your calendar.

The dates to be aware of are as follows:

Phonics Screening Check: 8 June 2026 - 12 June 2026
Year 1 (plus Year 2 pupils who did not pass their Check in 2025)

Multiplication Tables Check: 1 June 2026 to 12 June 2026
Year 4

Key Stage 2 SATS: 11 May 2026 to 14 May 2026
Year 6

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

APPLYING FOR A RECEPTION PLACE – SEPTEMBER 2026?

The deadline for applying for a school place for Reception 2026 was the 15 January. If you have missed the deadline for any reason, please contact the Admissions Team who will be able to deal with your query.

East Riding of Yorkshire Council School Admissions – Contact Details

- schooladmissions@eastriding.gov.uk
- 01482 392100

ALL YEAR GROUPS

SAFEGUARDING AND WELLBEING FOCUS

Road Safety

We have two major building works taking place on BBW. Please remind the children: stay with your adults, especially taking care on the pavement when leaving the site. **All cycling and scooting children must wear a helmet** and should not ride their bike or scooter to the site without one. Please also: a reminder to stop children cutting across the planted area at the front of school so the plants are not spoilt. Thank you for remembering.

Waves of Family Support

You might already know a little about our work with Gary Kirkwood – The Team Around the School link we have here at Hunsley Primary. Gary comes to school to meet with parents and carers, to signpost help and services, and to advise about stepped support, be that for emotional wellbeing, sleep, food issues, or general parenting help. Gary works closely with Julie Boyes, Assistant Headteacher, to support families with access to services such as:

- The 'Togetherness Programme'
- and
- Early Help

If you would like to know more about access to help and family support, please do not hesitate to email, call or just catch up in person with Julie Boyes or Lucy Hudson. We are here to help.



Dyslexia Sparks – Virtual Coffee Morning

We work with the team at Dyslexia Sparks to support children with dyslexia in school.

We would like to share that DS are hosting a 'Virtual Coffee Morning' designed for parents and carers seeking guidance, reassurance, and practical advice on supporting a child with dyslexia at school, at home and for the future.

Led by experienced dyslexia specialist Jane Craig, this friendly online Q&A offers a space to ask questions, gain expert insight and feel empowered to make the best decisions for their child.

Whatever stage you're at, reserve your place here: tickettailor.com/events/dyslexiasparks/1934865

They'd love to see you there ☕💬

Communications with School

A reminder for parents and carers to contact teachers if you have messages for them via the 'enquiries' email as opposed to via our online learning platforms such as Tapestry or Google Classroom. Whilst we do monitor the messages coming into these platforms and staff may send whole class messages sometimes via Tapestry and Google Classroom, we would ask that parents use the central email (enquiries@hunsleyprimary.org.uk) to contact us, to ensure the message is received by the right person.

Any worries, questions or feedback?

We always welcome questions and feedback, and definitely want to sort any worries which may arise as soon as possible, so we would encourage families to send this kind of communication via the 'enquiries' route, too. Mrs Hitchin, Ms Boyes and Mrs Hudson all monitor this email address.

As ever, if you have any concerns, please don't wait for parent /carer surveys or questionnaires, as concerns can be understood quickly and sorted out in person if you are able to come in or telephone in to speak with us directly.

Thank you for continuing to work in partnership with the team in school: we really appreciate your help and support.

World Book Day - Thursday 5 March 2026

This year, the children will complete a range of activities throughout the day linked to storytelling, art activities and the theme: "We Are All Different - Our School of Characters".

2026 has been designated the **National Year of Reading**, and we are excited to celebrate this at Hunsley Primary during World Book Day! Keep an eye out for reading activities throughout the year.

For more information, you can read [5 Things You Need to Know About the National Year of Reading 2026](#) from the National Literacy Trust.

Don't forget: the Hunsley Primary Parent Partners are running a disco at the end of the day on Thursday. Please bring your child to the main school entrance for drop off.

SAVE THE DATE: STAY AND PLAY!



Home-learning

We are currently reviewing how we use Google Classroom for home-learning, including the types of activities we set for homework. You'll spot some changes as we review what kinds of activities we set and how we communicate about activities.

If you have any questions about home-learning as we progress with our trial activities, please email the main office and mark the email for the attention of the appropriate member of the team.



Signs of Spring – Eco Club

In Eco Club, the children and Mrs Mutter have been planting bulbs to take home and designing their own spring bags with Spring in mind!

They also planted Italian herbs – delicious!



Interim Progress Reports and Parents' Progress Events

You will soon be receiving a copy of your child's Interim Progress Report. A full report will also be sent at the end of the school year. You will then have your Progress Event appointment to book with your child's teacher. This can be in-person or online, depending on what your preference is. For more information about reports or parents' evening, please see your child's teacher or get in touch with us via the usual 'enquiries' email address. Further details about both the reports and the Parents' Progress Event can be found in the letter sent out from the main office.

We look forward to meeting with our families in due course.

Thank you for booking in your Progress Event meeting. If you have any difficulties with this, please do let us know.

YEAR 2

Geography Walk – rearranged date – Monday 16 March, 2026 (am)

Mrs Gale and the team have rearranged the walk date for Year 2 and this is now due to take place on Monday 16 March. Please check your original letter for details of the geography activity and feel free to get in touch if you have any questions.

YEAR 6

Year 6 Residential – Payment deadlines and online medical consent form

We have sent a letter (Ref: HP2274) with regard to the payment deadlines and online medical consent form for the Year 6 Residential to Newby Wiske. The payment dates are as follows:

- Instalment 1 **£75** due by **13 February 2026**
- Instalment 2 **£75** due by **6 March 2026**
- Instalment 3 **£75** due by **3 April 2026**
- **Final balance payment £56.50** due by **1 May 2026**

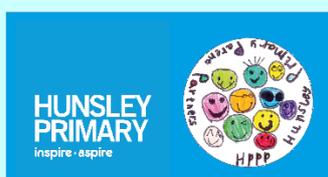
Payments are to be made through the Arbor Parent Portal/App. If the level of contributions fails to cover the costs, then the visit may be cancelled. Where this happens, all monies will be returned.

The payment items can be found on the 'Activities: Trips' section of the Arbor Parent Portal/App under:

- **Year 6 Residential - Instalment Payments**
- **Year 6 Residential - Final Balance - 1 May 2026**

We understand that financial considerations may vary among families, and we are committed to working with you to make this opportunity accessible. If you have any concerns or require assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

HUNSLEY PRIMARY PARENT PARTNERS (HPPP)



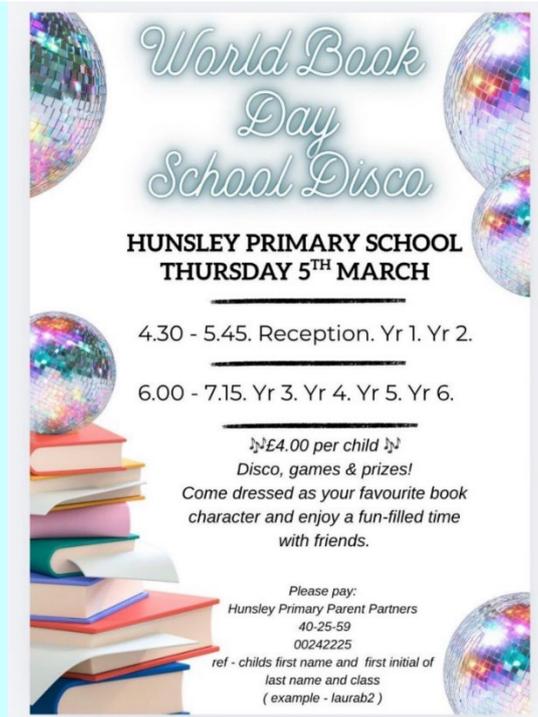
Hunsley Primary Parent Partners (HPPP)

Please see below upcoming events and activities run or supported by the Hunsley Primary Parent Partners.

Tuck Shops

Wednesday 25 March, 3.30pm

World Book Day Themed Disco



Movie Nights

Thursday 19 March – Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3, 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Thursday 26 March – Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6, 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Further details will be shared!

Sports Day followed by Party in the Park

Date TBC
Further details will be shared!

Summer Fayre

Saturday 4 July, 10.30am – 2.30pm
Further details will be shared!

Brough Fire Station Open Day

HPPP Tuck Shop and Facepainting
Saturday 20 June, 10.00am – 4.00pm

Challenge 2026

Launching week commencing 23 February 2026
Further details will be shared!

WHAT'S ON AT HUNSLEY PRIMARY



Please find below the details and contact information for the clubs/tuition that take place at Hunsley Primary which are run by external providers.

With the exception of the ERSMS tuition please contact the club providers directly if you are interested in finding out further information about the clubs.

If you would like to express your child's interest in the ERSMS tuition, please email the school.

Club	Year	Day	Time
Fit4Fun - 07983 575428 / 07736 934743 info@fit4fun.co	Year 1 - 6	Tuesday – Parkour Tuesday – Dodgeball Friday – Gymnastics	8.00am - 8.50am 3.30pm - 4.30pm 8.00am - 8.50am
French Club - 07815 765989 / helenw@kidslingo.co.uk	KS2 (Y3, 4, 5 & 6) Reception and KS1 (Y1 & 2)	Tuesday Tuesday	12.00 - 12.30pm 12.30 – 1.00pm
Karen Briggs' Judo - 07875 651436	Rec – Y6	Thursday	8.00am – 8.45am
Kids Yoga Classes Cassie -07506 010337		Thursday	3.30pm – 4.15pm
East Riding Schools' Music Service (ERSMS) -01482 392680 schools.music@eastriding.gov.uk	Y1 – Y6	Wednesday – Violin, Guitar and Brass Thursday - Piano	Children are allocated a group by the ERSMS tutor – lessons take place during the school day
If you would like to express your child's interest in the ERSMS lessons, please email the school.			

In addition to the above, we also offer the children the opportunity to join school run clubs and school partnership activities – for example choir, eco club and primary sporting events. The school will communicate with parents/carers details on how to enrol in these activities.

HUNSLEY PRIMARY EVENTS CALENDAR

Keep the date!

Please see below some key dates that you may wish to add to your calendar.

The school term dates can be found on our website -

<https://www.hunsleyprimary.org.uk/parent-info/term-dates/>



Thursday 5 March	Year 6 visit to Middleton Hall
Thursday 12 March, 3.30pm – 4.30pm	Whole School Stay and Play
Tuesday 17 March, 4pm – 7pm	In-Person Progress Event
Wednesday 18 March, 4pm – 7pm	Virtual Progress Event
Friday 27 March - Friday 10 April	Easter Holidays
Thursday 16 April	National Offer Days - Primaries
Thursday 30 April	South Hunsley Partnership choir event
Thursday 7 May, 3.30pm – 4.30pm	Whole School Stay and Play
Monday 18 May – Friday 22 May	Walk to School Week
Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May	Half Term Holiday
Wednesday 10 June – Friday 12 June	Year 6 Residential – Newby Wiske
Thursday 9 July – Friday 10 July	Year 4 Residential
Tuesday 14 July	Whole Transition Day
Tuesday 14 July, 4pm – 5pm	Parent Meet the Teacher Event

OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES / EVENTS / LINKS

This section of our newsletter contains information about out-of-school events, activities and links.

Help Available - Gas & Electric:

Unity in Community will be providing vouchers to help towards paying for gas and electricity. To qualify you must pay for your energy through a prepayment meter and have not received energy vouchers from Unity in Community within the past 12 months. This is in response to the ongoing cost of living crisis and beneficiaries can be working, unemployed, self-employed or retired. For more information and to register, call 01482 420836, Monday to Friday, 9am – 3pm – if busy, please keep trying.

Forest school 4-week programme run by Fitmums

The Forest Project offers bereavement support in a Forest setting for children from 6–17 years who have experienced the death of someone special to them (programmes are organised in appropriate age ranges). Children can get involved in activities such as den building, camp fire cooking, tool making, tree climbing, forest games and rope work etc. Grief support is built into these activities, aimed at helping children explore their grief and loss. Activities are varied and children have the chance to try many different things to help them as they process their bereavement and connect with others in similar situations. Trained Forest Leaders and Bereavement Support Facilitators lead sessions – all of whom have current DBS checks and have done safeguarding training.

We recommend children attend the session on their own, we hold mobile numbers for emergency contacts whilst the children are in the Forest. There are no facilities for parents to stay and wait other than in their own cars. Staff meet children in the carpark at the farm and return them there at the end of the session. Lunch is provided on the long day session, and snacks on the half day sessions. Children should bring a labelled water bottle to every session and wear outdoor clothing. We have a range of second-hand warm clothing if required.

Toilet facilities are available. Children will get most out of this programme if they attend all 4 sessions. If the dates of this programme do not suit please ask us about future dates via

heather@fitmums.org.uk.

To express your interest please follow this link - [Together in Grief - The Forest Project](#)

The dates of the next programme are to be confirmed, please complete the form and we will contact you with more details. The project take place in a private woodland, (HU15 2NR) over four consecutive Saturdays.

After completing this form, you will receive a call from one of the team who will chat with you further to check this programme is appropriate for your child.

Elloughton Town Hall Events

WICKED!

We are showing Wicked at the hall (free event) on **Sunday 22nd March** – doors open 1.30pm show starts at 2pm and then we'll show Wicked for Good on another weekend.

Teo's Tennis

