



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER  
EDITION



## FOOTBALL FINALS!

What a month it has been for our Upper Key Stage 2 footballers! First, our girls sent two fantastic teams to represent the school at the area heats. One of our teams won the whole thing and the other came third! This secured both teams' passage to the finals in Thirsk, which will be taking place before half-term. The performances of the girls were stellar, they showed real desire and determination and should be very

proud of themselves. Three of our girls volunteered to play for a different school in this tournament so that the other school could field a full team and participate. A brilliant sense of community, I am sure you will agree!

The boys were equally successful, securing a HRPS first and second place finishes, both qualifying for the finals in Thirsk before half-term! The tension was palpable when these two sides fought their way to a valiant draw in the penultimate match, before the Year 5 team secured their first-place finish with the last kick of the whole tournament! I'm sure you can picture the scenes that followed! A third Hutton Rudby boys' team rounded out an excellent day of football with fantastic sportsmanship and some great performances.

## SCHOOL PING

We hope that you have found the transition to School Ping to be a smooth one. This service is full of excellent features that we will be utilising over the coming months (including a school calendar!) Keep your eyes peeled!



## NEW STARTERS - 2025

We were pleased with the number of attendees to our first New Starter Evening of the year this month. There is another taking place on Monday 25th November. If you know anybody who has a child starting in Reception in September 2025, please encourage them to visit us on 25th November for some short presentations about the school, a tour, the chance to ask questions and some delicious biscuits!

## PERSONAL, SOCIAL, HEALTH AND ECONOMIC EDUCATION

After half-term, the children will be learning about Celebrating Differences in PSHE. This topic will look at all of the ways that people are different. This includes celebrating the differences in everyone, making new friends, different families and managing conflict within families, giving and receiving compliments, challenging assumptions, first impressions, challenging stereotypes and understanding bullying. It is a very worthwhile topic and will help our children gain a better understanding of the wider world.

As always, if you would like more information about what your child will be learning about in PSHE, please contact the class teacher on Class Dojo.

## PIANO POWER

Two of our fantastic pianists serenaded the school before assembly this month. They did a wonderful job and we can't wait to hear them again!



## CPD

Our teachers accessed a variety of different free CPD opportunities this week, through our close relationship with the Swaledale Alliance.

## HALLOWEEN DISCOS

Our magnificent PTA led a wonderfully spooky Halloween Disco last week. These well attended events were enjoyed by children and adults alike. Thank you to all the parent and teacher helpers who gave up their evening to ensure the children had a brilliant time.



## VISITOR

Most of you know Mrs Dury by now, but not many of you will know her son, Ryan. Ryan was a champion gymnast (with a mum like Mrs Dury, are you surprised?) who is now a world-class acrobat. He flew all the way from his home in Las Vegas to talk to our children about gymnastics, acrobatics and life in Vegas. The children were enthralled and hung on his every word. Check our Facebook page to see some incredible pictures and videos of his assembly.

## HOUSES

As you know, our school is split into 4 houses, red, blue, yellow or green. In the past, these were named after castles / abbeys, but we thought it was time for a change! Following nominations from the children, we have renamed our school houses after planets (and therefore also after Roman Gods).

Neptune (blue)  
god of sea, rivers  
and horses

Mars (red) god of  
war and  
protection

Venus (green)  
god of love and  
victory

Saturn (yellow)  
god of farming  
and wealth

## WEBSITE

Hutton Rudby Primary School has a brand-new website! Navigate your way to [huttonrudbyprimary.co.uk](http://huttonrudbyprimary.co.uk) to enjoy our refreshed and refurbished page.



## DIARY DATES – REMINDER

Christmas term is a very busy, exciting one. Please see this reminder of some of the things that we have planned:

Event	Date(s) & Times
Reception 2025 Parents Meeting	01.10.24 – 5:30pm
School Photos (individuals and siblings)	07.10.24
Parents Evenings	21.10.24 – 23.10.24
Flu Vaccinations	25.10.24
Half-Term Holidays Begin	28.10.24
Back to School	05.11.24
Reception 2025 Parents Meeting	25.11.24 – 5:30pm
Assessment Week	Wb 02.12.24
KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal	09.12.24 – 1:30pm
KS1 Nativity	10.12.24 – 9am 11.12.24 – 1:30pm
KS1 Christmas Party	12.12.24
Lower KS2 Christmas Party	16.12.24
Upper KS2 Christmas Party	17.12.24
Christmas Dinner Day	18.12.24
Christmas Church Service	19.12.24
Carols Around the Tree	20.12.24
Last Day of Term	20.12.24

## HOMEWORK

The homework that is set in school is designed to support children's learning through practise, pre-teaching or consolidation tasks. Our weekly homework expectations are:

Times Tables Rockstars / Numbots

Spelling Shed

Century

Reading – please continue to add your comments on BoomReader so that teachers are able to follow the progress that your children are making at home.



## SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding is a crucial part of school life, as such it will form a regular part of newsletters moving forward. In this first issue, I will remind you of the key contacts for safeguarding in school:

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) – Mr R Johnson

Deputy DSL – Miss H Clark

Deputy DSL – Mr M White

Safeguarding Governor – Mrs Alison Whittaker

Chair of Governors – Mrs Andrea Offord



## PARKING

Please can parents / carers remember to park considerately when dropping children off and picking them up. It is important that enough space is left for emergency service vehicles to be able to pass by cars if necessary. Please do not drive into school unless there is an emergency, this includes parking in the small car park at the bottom of the drive and the main car park at the top of the drive. Please also do not park on any grass around the school. Please remember that there are children present at the start and end of the school day.

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