

NEWSLETTER



Monday 22nd September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we continue to navigate the start of an exciting school year, I'm delighted to share the latest updates from Hucknall Flying High Academy. Our children have been actively engaged in a variety of learning experiences, demonstrating their curiosity, enthusiasm, and dedication. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to our dedicated staff, supportive parents, and engaged pupils for making Hucknall Flying High such a wonderful learning community.



Also, a big thanks to those of you that have attended the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions so far. Your continued support is invaluable.

Diary Dates – Including Holiday Dates 2025/2026

As we look ahead, we are populating our school calendar with an exciting array of events and key dates for the new academic year. We encourage you to keep a close eye on these updates, ensuring you remain fully informed and engaged in our vibrant school life.

2025	
September	
Tuesday 23 rd	Year 1/2 'Meet the Teacher' - 9:00am or 5:00pm
Wednesday 24 th	Year 3/4 'Meet the Teacher' - 9:00am or 5:00pm
Friday 26 th	Non-Uniform Day for MacMillan – bring a £1 donation
Friday 26 th	9:15am – 10:15am MacMillan Coffee Morning for parents / carers
October	
Wednesday 1 st	9:30am Dental survey for 5 year olds
Thursday 9 th	Wear yellow for Pupil Mental Health Day
Tuesday 14 th	Year 3 trip to Magna Science Centre in Sheffield
Friday 17 th	'Break the Rules' school fundraising day
Friday 17 th	Last day of the autumn 1 term
November	
Monday 3 rd	First day of the autumn 2 term
Thursday 6 th	Flu Vaccinations
Monday 10 th	Odd Socks Day for Anti-bullying Week
Tuesday 11 th	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Wednesday 12 th	F2 trip to Twycross Zoo
Wednesday 12 th	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm

Friday 14th	Non-Uniform Day for Children in Need - £1 donation
Tuesday 18th	Year 5 Bikability
Wednesday 19th	Year 5 Bikability
Thursday 20th	Year 5 Bikability
Friday 21st	Year 5 Bikability
Thursday 27th	Whole School Pantomime – Years 1-6
December	
Tuesday 9th	5:00pm Year 3/4 Christmas Carol Service
Wednesday 10th	2:30pm - Rocksteady Concert
Thursday 11th	Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 11th	5:00pm Year 5/6 Christmas Carol Service
Tuesday 16th	1:30pm Year 1/2 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 16th	5:00pm Year 1/2 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 17th	10:00am EYFS Performance
Wednesday 17th	1:30pm EYFS Performance
Friday 19th	Non-Uniform Day
Friday 19th	Last day of the autumn 2 term
January	
Monday 5th	First day of the spring 1 term
Wednesday 7th	Year 3 and 4 Bikability
Thursday 8th	Year 3 and 4 Bikability
February	
Friday 13th	Last day of the spring 1 term
Monday 23rd	INSET DAY – School Closed
Tuesday 24th	First day of the spring 2 term
March	
Wednesday 4th	Year 5 depart for Hathersage residential
Friday 6th	Year 5 return from Hathersage residential
Tuesday 10th	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Wednesday 11th	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Wednesday 18th	2:30pm – Rocksteady Concert
Friday 27th	Last day of the spring 2 term
April	
Monday 13th	First day of the summer 1 term
May	
Monday 4th	BANK HOLIDAY – School closed
Monday 11th	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Thursday 21st	Last day of the summer 1 term
Friday 22nd	INSET DAY – School Closed
June	

Monday 1 st	First day of the summer 2 term
Monday 1 st	Year 4 multiplication Check Week
Monday 8 th	Phonics Screen Week
Tuesday 30 th	Year 6 depart for Wales residential
July	
Friday 3 rd	Year 6 return from Wales residential
Wednesday 15 th	2:30pm – Rocksteady Concert
Friday 17 th	School reports
Friday 24 th	Last day of summer 2 term

Hucknall Flying High Academy – Home/School Agreement

We strive to deliver learning experiences to engage and instil a curiosity in our children to find out more. Our goal is to develop individuals who ask why, therefore becoming life-long learners and visionaries, with aspirations ready for the challenges of the future in an ever-changing world. We aim to make **every day count** for our children where they thrive and build the cultural-capital they need to make aspirational choices about their own future, following our school values of **being kind, working hard and flying high**.



In order to facilitate these learning opportunities, we aim to work with our parents in providing your child with a supportive educational experience. We ask that parent interactions with staff members are always respectful. The following agreement is our ‘School Charter’ that is delivered as part of the ‘Flying High Partnership’ in creating **Unique, Exceptional and Sustainable** schools and outlines expected behaviours within our school community:

Our School Charter

All pupils in school are expected to:

- Be polite, kind, considerate and caring to all members of the school community.
- Take care of our school, showing respect for the school environment and property.
- Walk sensibly and safely around school.
- Demonstrate appropriate levels of concentration and self-awareness - considering others and how they learn.
- Cooperate with others – take turns, share, listen and respond appropriately.
- Take responsibility for their own actions and manage feelings while not being afraid to seek help.
- Set themselves goals and work hard to achieve them.
- Celebrate everyone’s efforts and achievements.

As a school we will:

- Provide a safe, secure and stimulating learning environment in which your child will achieve their potential and take pride in their achievements.
- Encourage children to do their best at all times and provide a foundation for life-long learning.
- Encourage children to recognise when they require support and have the confidence to discuss any concerns.

- Build a resilient and reflective attitude towards learning, embracing mistakes as part of the learning process.
- Develop positive values and a caring attitude towards the school community and the environment.
- Develop positive and professional relationships with you and your child.
- Have a clear and consistent approach to rewards and sanctions for children as set out in the school's Behaviour Policy.
- Provide a broad and balanced curriculum and meet the individual needs of every child.
- Communicate with parent/carers, as and when it is necessary, to share any concerns and ensure you are aware of the appropriate procedures.
- Provide opportunities for parents/carers to discuss their concerns with us and ensure we respond appropriately to these.
- Promote parent/carer involvement and keep you informed about school matters.
- Send home an annual progress report and give appropriate time for you to respond.

As a parent you will:

- Ensure that your child attends school regularly, arrives on time and is collected promptly.
- Contact the school by telephone on the first day of your child's absence and keep school informed regularly of any prolonged absence.
- Provide your child with the correct uniform, PE kit and a water bottle.
- Provide positive reinforcement of appropriate behaviour at home and work in partnership with the school where there are any behaviour concerns.
- Encourage your child in their learning and offer appropriate support at home.
- Ensure time is made available for your child to complete homework tasks, which are set to reinforce their understanding of the work being done in school
- Encourage your child to become independent and take responsibility for their actions.
- Seek help and share concerns with school when issues or challenges arise which may impact on your child's learning and well-being
- Not use social media and the internet in any way to attack, insult, criticise, abuse or defame any member of the school in general and the wider school community.
- Be respectful and polite to all members of the school community, rude and aggressive behaviour will not be tolerated.
- Attend parent-teacher meetings and discussions about my/our child's progress in all aspects of school life.
- Respect residents by driving safely and parking appropriately when dropping off.

We respectfully ask all members of the school community to adhere to our School Charter, to help facilitate the best learning experiences for our children at Hucknall Flying High Academy.

Focus on British Values – Respect and Tolerance

Respect and tolerance are words that describe how we treat other people. If we respect someone, we treat them in a way that shows we value them and think they are important. If we are tolerant of something, it shows we accept the differences between people.

This is the understanding that we are all different and have different beliefs and values. It is accepting and respecting this and involves no one person or group of people thinking they



are more important, more deserving, or better than anyone else. We all have the right to live healthy, safe, and happy lives, where our different values are accepted and respected.

Food Bank Collection – Starts Today



As part of our Harvest Festival Assembly celebrations, we are collecting for our local Food Bank. If you would like to make any contributions, could you please leave them in reception to be collected by our school team taking charge of this. Many thanks for your support with this.

MacMillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning

We are supporting MacMillan again this year and will be doing a fund-raising day on Friday 26th September.

- We are collecting pennies for MacMillan – any loose change in the house – bag it up and send to school for the event – every penny counts!
- Non – Uniform day for £1 donation.
- Coffee Morning in school – 9:15am -10:15am. All friends and family are invited.
- Cake Sale after school (if there are enough donations)
- All donations of cake really appreciated on the day – let’s make a difference for MacMillan!



Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day – 9th October

Hucknall Flying High Academy will be joining thousands of schools across the UK and taking part in Hello Yellow in support of YoungMinds on Thursday 9th October (World Mental Health Day) where we’ll be holding a non-school uniform day and asking everyone to wear something yellow.



There are days when all of us struggle with how we are feeling. Things can get tough, and it can be difficult knowing how to cope. For so many young people, when this happens, they don’t always get the help they need, when they need it. They don’t know where to turn, who to talk to, or even if anyone else feels the same. No young person should feel alone with their mental health. But together, we can change this.

Finally, YoungMinds have resources for parents and carers to find help and advice, if you’re ever concerned about a child or young person – you can find this on their website: www.youngminds.org.uk/parent.

Flu Vaccination – 6th November 2025

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to complete the online consent form. If you wish to decline, please use the same link to complete the ‘No Consent’ form.

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/824cc059>

The vaccinations will take place at Hucknall Flying High Academy on the 6th November 2025. The link will close on the 23rd October 2025. If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since September 2025, please disregard this message. If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 4, option 2.

Reading Mornings

These will begin to take place **week beginning 6th October 2025**, now the children are settled back in from the summer break. They will take place in the hall for Nursery and Foundation, and in the classrooms for Year 1 and Year 2. They will take place on the following days at the specified times:

Day	Time	Class	Location
Tuesday	8:30 – 8:45	Year 1	Year 1 classroom
Wednesday	8:45 – 9:00	Nursery	Hall
Thursday	8:45 – 9:00	F2	Hall
Friday	8:30 – 8:45	Year 2	Year 2 classroom

Thanks for your continued support.

Best wishes, Mr K Clowery

