



The Huntington Buzz



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SUBJECT SPOTLIGHT - PSHE

PSHE stands for Personal, Social, Health and Economic education. It is aimed at equipping our pupils with the knowledge, skills and attributes they need to thrive as individuals.

Health and Wellbeing

In the Summer term, the whole school focuses on Health and Wellbeing. This includes how to keep your bodies and minds healthy. Here are some examples of the work being done in different year groups:

Rainbow day

This half term has been about celebrating and embracing diversity. Rainbow, which is on Friday 23rd May, is a great opportunity for the children to embrace our differences in bright and colourful ways. Get creative and express yourself! We can't wait to see what you come up with.

Ambassadors

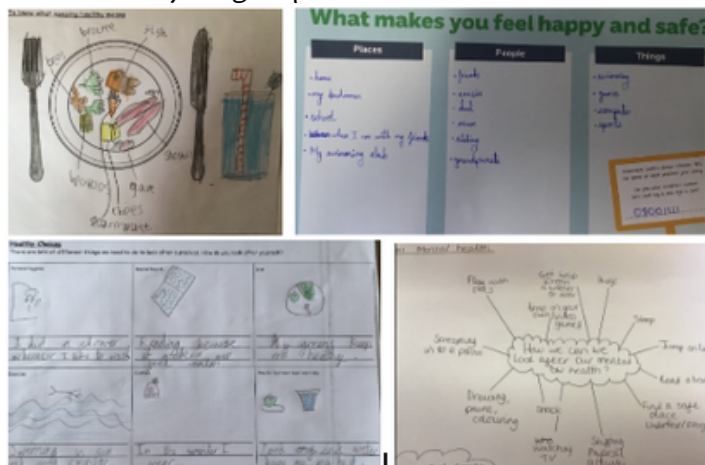
This half term the ambassadors are working hard to hear the voices of all the children in the school. We are trying to find out how lunchtimes in the dinner hall can be improved. We have collected everyone's thoughts and are now working on a list of expectations and suggestions, which should help lunchtime be more enjoyable for everyone.

Relationships and Sex Education

The RSE curriculum threads through the entire year in the PSHE curriculum. During the Summer term the Health and Wellbeing is taught - this includes puberty for Years 4, 5 and 6. **We are holding a drop-in question and answer session on 20th May from 9:00am to 10:00am in case you have any questions about anything in our PSHE curriculum.** For every year group, this is a great time to ensure your child knows the correct names for body parts and knows the PANTS rule as this will support their learning in school.

Mental Health Week

This year, Mental Health week takes place from 12 to 18 May 2025 and the theme is 'community'. This Mental Health Awareness Weeks celebrates the power and importance of community. Being part of a safe, positive community is vital for our mental health and wellbeing. We thrive when we have strong connections with other people and supportive communities that remind us, we are not alone. Communities can provide a sense of belonging, safety, support in hard times, and give us a sense purpose. These NHS websites give lots of tips about mental health support for children and adults.



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Dates for your Diary

Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May - Year 6 SATs Week

Tuesday 13th May - Year 5AS Residential

Thursday 15th May - Census Day - Special Menu

Friday 16th May - Year 5CP Residential

Tuesday 20th May - RSE Q&A drop in - 9.00-10.00 (please come to the office)

Friday 23rd May - Rainbow Day

Monday 25th May - Friday 30th May - Half Term (School closed)

Week Beginning 2nd June - Year 4 Multiplication Check

Week Beginning 9th June - Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Monday 16th June - Wednesday 18th June - Year 6 Residential

Thursday 19th June 3.15 - 4.10 - Global Gala (more information to follow)

Wednesday 25th June - Year 6 Transition to Secondary and the first session of new class transition in school.

Friday 4th July - Sports Day

Friday 11th July - Reports to Parents

Friday 18th July - Last Day of Term - 3.15 finish (with Year 6 guard of honour)



Friends of Huntington Primary Academy
2nd SCARECROW FESTIVAL
7th - 8th June 2025



For more info, or if you would like to make/display a scarecrow around Huntington...

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Closing date for scarecrow applications is Fri 16th May

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EMERGENCY PROCESSES

As you will know we must regularly practise our fire evacuation processes in school. After half term we will also begin to practise an 'invacuation'. This is used to get the children into the classrooms quickly and not following our usual lining up procedures. We will use a claxon/air horn to notify the children. We will explain all of this to the children before it happens so they are just familiar as with this process as the evacuation. We have a number of children that we support in different ways if they find these processes unsettling but please get in contact with your child's teacher if you have any particular concerns for your child.



Holiday Requests

We are seeing an increase in holiday requests. Please remember these should be submitted at least two weeks before the holiday and that holidays during term time should only be taken in exceptional circumstances.

The DfE does not consider a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation to be an exceptional circumstance and so most holidays are recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Please note that unauthorised absences can result in a penalty notice of £80 per parent per child being issued if your child has 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a rolling period of 10 school weeks (10 sessions is equivalent to 5 days).

We try to be mindful of family situations but we also have a duty to monitor attendance and raise awareness with parents. As always please get in contact with the school via the office if you have any concerns or feel your child needs additional support with their attendance.

HOT WEATHER AND UNIFORM

As we hopefully continue to see warmer weather, please remember to send your child with a water bottle and a hat. Please also apply sun cream before school but if you wish you also send some in for your child to use during the day it must be in a labelled bottle and handed to the class teacher. Children must not share sun cream and must be able to apply it themselves.

A reminder that red gingham summer dresses, shorts or playsuits are an option for the children. Some children like to also wear shorts underneath their skirts which is absolutely fine. Black skorts are also a possibility. We do ask that if children are just wearing shorts that they are either the tailored shorts on uniform days or sports or cycling shorts on PE days that come to around the mid thigh. Summer sandals may be worn (black or white are preferable) but they must have full ankle straps and suitable for running around at playtime. Thank you.