



Summer Term 2 Newsletter 2026

Message from the Headteacher

Another school year completed with so many successes for our school community to be proud of. Well done to all of our 640+ children on completing a very busy and positive school year. As always, they have worked hard, been challenged, made great progress, challenged themselves and enjoyed the new and exciting learning opportunities provided to them.

A special 'good luck and goodbye' to our Year 6 pupils who are now ready to move on to their new secondary schools and their next steps in learning. We look forward to welcoming our 90 new Reception children in September as well as all the children who are moving up to their new classes and year groups.

Thank you to our amazing school staff. I know it's easy to say or write these comments, but I genuinely do mean it. The staff team are the most amazing, dedicated, enthusiastic and positive group of people I could wish to work with. They constantly go the extra mile to provide your children with the best time and learning in school.

Thank you to all of you - parents/carers/families for your support and for working with us. We don't pretend to be perfect but being able to work 'with you' makes things far more positive and successful for everyone, especially the children. We hope you have a good summer and that the children are able to have a good break, chance to relax from school and enjoy a few weeks off, ready to return in September ready for another busy school year.

We already have so many things planned and in the diary for the children and also for parents. Details will follow in September, and some dates are already provided further in this newsletter, including the term dates for the new school year 2026-2027 and for 2027-2028.

Children return to school on Wednesday 2nd September 2026.

Thank you!

Kind regards,

Andy Lyons

Headteacher

Attendance Report - Summer term 2

Reception

94.4%

Year 1

93.8%

Year 2

95.9%

Year 3

96.4%

Year 4

96%

Year 5

95%

Year 6

95.2%

School total

95.3%

Community Information Page

A reminder that we have a Community Information Page on our website.

This page has been set up so that Parents/Carers have access to information relating to community events, sports clubs and other bits of information that the school feels might be relevant to local families.

Please remember, these are **not run by the school**, and we would encourage all parents/carers to be diligent in checking DBS information when booking with outside companies.

You can find this page [HERE](#) and or by going to:

1. <https://www.hampton-hargate.peterborough.sch.uk/>
2. News & Events
3. Community Information Page



⚠ Safety First ⚠

Can we again remind Parents/Carers to please park and drive considerately if you are dropping your child off or collecting them from school in a car.

Whilst we appreciate it is very busy at drop off and collection times there are hundreds of children, including your own, who are coming in and out of school that we need to try and keep safe.

We have received multiple complaints from residents and from local businesses regarding Parent/Carer parking in their private car parks and their attitude when challenged. We feel it is our duty to inform you that they are now considering employing a parking attendant with a view to fining those involved or clamping vehicles.

Can we please also remind parents that they should not be in our layby to drop off or collect children.

The layby is there to ensure access to the school at all times for the emergency services if they were required.

Police advice - Parking outside schools



Swans Club - Drop offs and collections

Please can we also remind parents/carers dropping off and collecting from Swans Club, that they should not be coming into the staff car park to do this, the staff car park is secured for staff only to ensure your children are kept safe, the same way the school is kept secured.

Please do not follow in behind a member of staff, the car park can be as dangerous as any other car park, and should not have children walking through it.

Staff Updates

This term we sadly say goodbye to some of our amazing team, Miss AJ in Year 1 who has been with us for 5 years, Mrs Thorold in Year 1 who has been with us for 9 years, Miss Ismail in Year 3 who has been with us for 3 years and Mrs Wellham our Swans Breakfast and After School Club manager who is retiring after being with us for an amazing 24 years!

We would like to say a huge thank you to them all for their years of hard work and support at Hampton Hargate, and good luck in their next adventures.

In September we will be welcoming some new faces to the school, Miss Mortlock who will be joining us in Year 1, Mrs Hayes and Miss Baker who will both be joining the Year 3 team, and Miss Emery who will be joining us in Year 4. We also welcome Miss Merry who will be joining us as a TA, Miss Balaam who will be joining us as a Student teacher and Miss George who will be joining us on a placement year and as a Midday supervisor. We also have three new Midday Supervisors joining the team from September - Miss Lonetti, Miss Birch and Ms Satkova.



We also wanted to share some happy news with you that Mrs Finch from Year 1 had a baby boy last month and our school Site Manager Mr Wright had a baby girl in May.

Congratulations from everyone at Hampton Hargate!

New Facebook page

We have opened a new Facebook page to help share information, and this will be starting in September.

This will not be a replacement for ParentPay messages and this will remain your main source for information from the school.

Please give us a follow! [Hampton Hargate Facebook page](#)



Hampton Hargate Primary School

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We are a large Primary School based in the centre of Hampton
■ Primary school

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Summer reading event

We were delighted to welcome our wonderful **Reading Buddies** into school for our annual Summer Reading Event.

Our Reading Buddies are a team of dedicated adult volunteers who give their time each week to listen to children read. While supporting reading is an important part of their role, the relationships they build are just as valuable. By meeting with the same children each week, they develop a genuine rapport, offering encouragement, conversation and the chance for every child to share books with a trusted, interested adult. These positive reading relationships help to nurture confidence and a lifelong love of reading.

With one of the hottest days of the year coinciding with our event, we decided to move indoors rather than enjoy our planned outdoor reading picnic. Thankfully, the venue mattered far less than the company! There was a lovely atmosphere as children and Reading Buddies shared books together, celebrating the joy of reading for pleasure.

The event was also an opportunity for us to thank our Reading Buddies for the time, care and enthusiasm they bring to our school every week. We are incredibly grateful for everything they do.

Any parents, carers or family members interested in becoming a much valued Reading Buddy, please contact the office. It involves reading one afternoon a week for a minimum of a year if possible.

A special thank you also goes to our fantastic **Reading Ambassadors**, whose enthusiasm for reading shines throughout the school. These pupils helped organise the event, welcomed our visitors and continue to champion reading for pleasure in so many ways. Thank you to everyone who helped make the afternoon such a success.

Reading events



 **Summer Story Hunt**
Tuesday 28 July, 10am – 2pm
Willow Café, Central Park

Explore the wacky world of *Postman Planet*
with author Ben Davis
Email becky.marrs@literacytrust.org.uk
or call 07745 667 126 to book your place.

Calling all young explorers in Peterborough!

Take on the National Literacy Trust's new story trail between 28 July and 29 August.

Starting at Peterborough Museum, solve the clues around the city centre and collect a free book!



Scan the code to find out more or visit literacytrust.org.uk/Peterborough

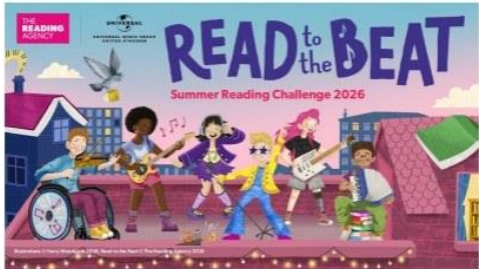


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Looking for ways to keep your children reading through the summer holidays?

The Summer Reading Challenge 2026 at Peterborough Libraries

The Reading Agency have teamed up with award-winning illustrator Harry Woodgate and Universal Music Group UK to inspire children to explore the world of stories, music and sound in this year's Summer Reading Challenge.

Throughout the summer holidays, children can collect stickers and receive rewards for reading library books, including a sticker booklet, Read to the Beat certificate and bookmark.

Visit your local library from **Saturday 4th July** to join the fun for free!

Visit peterboroughlibraries.org.uk for more information



School Grounds Reminders





A reminder that the following are **NOT** permitted on the school grounds.

- Mobile phones - please do not go on your phone anywhere in or around the school.
- Pets.
- Cigarettes or vapes.



*Please do not ride scooters or bikes in the school grounds, this includes electric scooters. If your child is bringing a bike or scooter to school, please ensure this is **LOCKED**.*

The school is not responsible for bikes and scooters that have been left in the school grounds.

If your child has a club after school, please remind them to lock their bike or scooter at the Year 5 bike lock area so they are able to access this at the end of the club.

Charity hike





In May half term, one of our amazing pupils Ayush in Year 2 completed the peak Pen-y-Ghent of the Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge within 3.5 hours.

The challenge was organised by Charity Through Adventure in support of Hope4Smile and other charitable causes.

Well done Ayush!

Languages Week - Airport day

During Languages Week, each year group was allocated a country and a current tennis star to support. Throughout the week, we researched our player and learnt about the country's culture, as well as practising some simple phrases in its language.

On Thursday morning, we arrived at school to discover that the hall had been transformed into a bustling airport, complete with check-in desks and luggage security! Everyone loved having their passports stamped before boarding their 'flight' and taking their seats ready for take-off.

Our destination was the famous Wimbledon Championships, where we travelled to cheer on the tennis player representing our allocated country. As an extra special treat, we all enjoyed the traditional Wimbledon snack of delicious strawberries and cream.

A huge thank you goes to our fantastic Year 5 and Year 6 Language Ambassadors, who did an amazing job as airport staff and cabin crew, helping to make the experience so memorable. We were also delighted to have one of our governors, Jon, expertly piloting each of our flights!





Uniform Donations

Peterborough City Council have recently set up a second-hand uniform shop called **Roots and Rise** in Queensgate shopping centre.

If you have any uniform that you would like to donate, we have a new donation box in the main office that you are able to put this into and we will arrange for it to get to Roots and Rise.

<https://www.peterborough.gov.uk/bins-waste-and-recycling/reduce-reuse-recycle/second-chance-school-uniform-shop>



 FREE Summer Pop-Up Uniform Shop

Looking ahead to September? Come along to our **FREE** Summer Pop-Up Uniform Shop and help yourself to a wide range of quality pre-loved items while meeting local community organisations.

 Friday 31 July

 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

 Unit 31, Bridge Street (next to the Town Hall), Peterborough

Available free of charge:

-  School uniforms
-  Coats and jackets
-  Dresses and special occasion wear
-  Children's books
-  Community information and support stands
-  Reuse and sustainability advice

Save money, support your community, and help give quality items a second chance instead of sending them to waste.

Everyone is welcome!

 Reuse. Save. Support.



SECOND CHANCE POP-UP SHOP **1 DAY ONLY** **FREE!**

SWAP: Swap school uniform for different sizes/items

DONATE: Donate good quality spare school uniforms

TAKE: Need school uniform - take what you need

 **Friday 31 July**

 **12noon to 5pm**

 **Next to Town Hall in Bridge Street**

 Bring along coats and prom dresses

 Community stands outside the shop



Staff Award

You may be aware that the magazine Term Times runs an annual Education Awards sponsored by Kip McGrath Peterborough, where they receive nominations for school staff awards.

This year our amazing TA Mrs Moore from Year 2 won one of these prizes! You may also recognise Mrs Moore from her Zumba after school club.

Mrs Moore received a prize, a trophy, and a prize for the school. She will also be published in the summer issue of Term Times.



The Friends of Hampton Hargate PTA

Coin Quest - pupils needed to bring in as many British Coins as they could between Tuesday 2nd June and Friday 26th June, to win their year group an exciting prize.

Well done to **Year 4** who brought in an amazing **5770** coins!! They won a mini party and a visit from an ice cream van.



Year 4 - 5770 Coins

Year 1 - 5267 Coins

Year 2 - 4795 Coins

Year 5 - 4372 Coins

Year 3 - 4249 Coins

Reception - 2477 Coins

Year 6 - 1449 Coins



Science Workshop

On Friday the 19th June, a small group of our Year 5 pupils visited The Peterborough School for a science workshop.

The children had an amazing experience.

Alexander won the competition for the plane that went the furthest, and Erin for the best design.



After School Arrangements



If anyone other than parents or carers are going to be collecting your child after school, whether this is another parent in the class or a friend/relative, you must make the class teacher **and** the school office aware.

As a matter of safeguarding we **WILL NOT** let any children go with anyone we have not been informed about, and will not let the child go until we have had clarification from parent/carer.

Year 3 Cricket tournament

Year 3 pupils thoroughly enjoyed the Hampton College Cricket tournament against a local primary school earlier this term. Our pupils truly rose to the occasion, showing brilliant sportsmanship and support for each other.

The final was between two of our own teams and was incredibly close. The children were ecstatic to return to school having made brilliant memories and to show their victory with a trophy.



Free NHS Eye tests ... more than just a sight test

As children grow, their eyes change quickly. Because they have nothing to compare it to, children who need glasses rarely complain, as they assume everyone sees the world exactly the same way they do.

To support their learning and overall health, high street opticians recommend that children have an eye check every **1 to 2 years. Completely Free:** All children under 16 qualify for free NHS sight tests

- No Reading Required: Opticians use fun, picture-based shapes and lights, meaning children do not need to know their alphabet yet.

- More Than Just Vision: Routine checks spot hidden issues like lazy eyes early on, when they are much easier to treat. If your child is due for a check-up, simply phone or book online with any local high street optician.



School Dinners



Booking lunches:

Please remember that you are able to book your child's meal until midnight the day before they are required, if no meal has been booked, they will be offered a jacket potato.

Can we also ask parents to please remember to **cancel** meals when they are not required. We will only cancel meals for children who are absent or on a trip. If you decide to send your child to school with a packed lunch instead, or you know they will have an appointment over lunch, ***please cancel the booking you have made.***

*Please remember that we are a **nut free school** and this also includes donations, gifts and any birthday treats that are kindly brought in to share with the class.*



YOUnited self-referral

YOUnited has launched a self-referral pathway to support children and young people's emotional wellbeing and mental health. Parents of children age 5+ and young people aged 13-17 can self-refer to YOUnited for mental health support.

www.cpft.nhs.uk/younited-self-referral directs young people and parents/carers to more information about the self-referral process and an online form, which asks for information about difficulties the child or young person is experiencing and what support they are looking for.

YOUnited is a joint partnership between Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust), Cambridgeshire Community Services (CCS), Ormiston Families and Centre 33 (Centre 33 - supporting young people in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough).



Absences



Please can we remind parents/carers that any child who has been suffering with vomiting and/or diarrhoea should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days **(48 hours)**

Please note that we abide by NHS guidelines with regard to illnesses, which you can find here - [Is my child too ill for school?](#)

ABSENCES: If you know your child will not be in school, regardless of reason for absence, you can call the office from 8:00am. Alternatively, you can leave a message on our absence voicemail service from 7:30am, or you can send the office an email at any time on office@hampton-hargate.peterborough.sch.uk

The school office is open between 8:00am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday.

You can find more information regarding attendance [HERE](#).

Lost Property

Please make sure EVERYTHING your child brings to school is named, this way we can try to get the items back to their rightful owners as quickly as possible.



We love our planet...



Don't forget to bring your used batteries into the school reception area and deposit in our battery bin for recycling.

Please note, this is for batteries **ONLY**, please do not put vapes in this bin.

Term Dates and Events

TERM DATES: These can also be found [HERE](#)



2026-2027 Term dates

Term Dates - School Year 2026-2027

Autumn term 2026 starts: Wednesday 2nd Sept 2026

Half-term week: Monday 26th Oct – Friday 30th Oct 2026

Autumn term ends: Thursday 17th Dec 2026

Spring term 2027 starts: Tuesday 5th Jan 2027

Half-term week: Monday 15th Feb – Friday 19th Feb 2027

Spring term ends: Thursday 25th March 2027

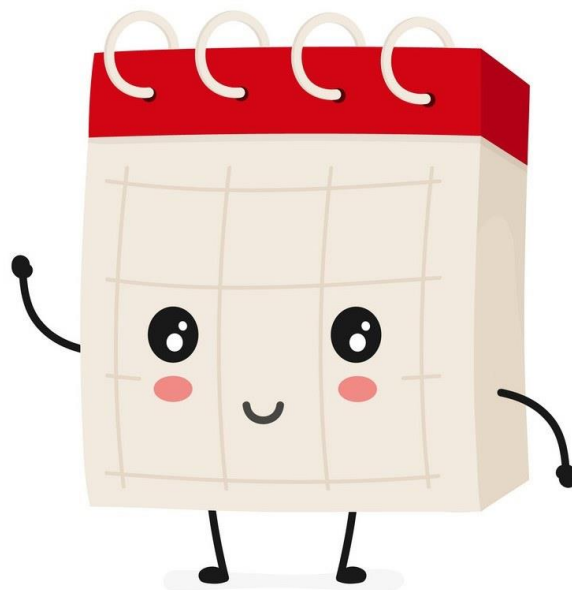
Summer term 2027 starts: Monday 12th April 2027

Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May 2027

Half-term week: Monday 31st May – Monday 7th June 2027 (Please note – children return on Tue 8th June 2027)

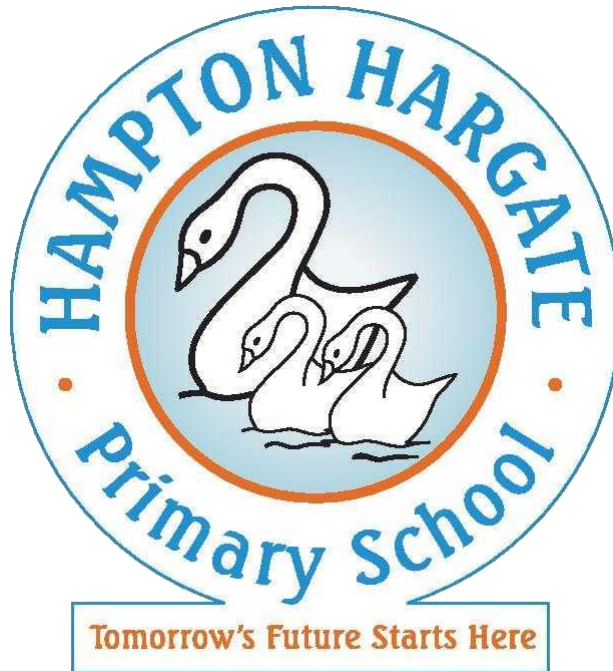
Summer term ends: Tuesday 20th July 2027

DIARY DATES: Please note that these dates are correct as of 17th July 2026, these dates may change, please make sure you check our website [HERE](#) and keep an eye on your ParentPay messages for updates.



If you haven't signed up for the ParentPay service, please contact the school office - Messages to parents are sent via this service, so you may miss important information if you are not signed up.

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