



April Newsletter 2025

How are we almost in April already? It feels like the school year is flying by.

This newsletter lets you know about some important events taking place before and after Easter Break, which is in the middle of April this year.

Open Events where you can come and spend time in your child's classroom

This week and next, you will have opportunities to spend time in your child's classroom finding out what they have been learning about in their topics.

Year 1 = Monday, 31st March at 2 pm

Year 2 = Thursday, 3rd April at 9 am

Year 3 = Tuesday, 25th March at 9 am

Year 3/4 and Year 4 = Wednesday, 26th March at 9 am

Year 5 = Tuesday, 1st April at 9 am

Year 6 = Wednesday, 26th March at 2 pm

Eid Celebration Day – Monday, 31st March

On Monday, 31st March, we invite all the children and staff to come dressed in their favourite party clothes to celebrate the end of Ramadan. We will have a special Eid menu at lunchtime before having a celebration event at 2:30 pm, where the children can enjoy a cupcake and drink and play games before home time.

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Painted Easter Egg Competition – Tuesday, 1st to Thursday, 3rd April

Children in Years 3 to 6 are invited to decorate a hard-boiled egg at home and bring it in on either Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday next week. Three winners from each class will be chosen, and the prizes will be handed out in assembly on Friday.

Nursery, Reception, Yr1 & 2 Easter Bonnet Competition – Thursday, 3rd April

Children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 are invited to decorate a bonnet or hat at home and bring it in on Thursday next week. Three winners from each class will be chosen, and the prizes will be handed out in assembly on Friday.

Parent and Carer Meetings – Tuesday, 1st and Wednesday, 2nd April

Meet your child's teacher to find out how they are doing and what they need to work on next. A letter detailing how to book an appointment has been sent home.

Break up for Easter – Friday, 4th April at 12.30

The children break up on Friday, 4th April, and return on **Tuesday, 22nd April.**

Reception Class Offers – Wednesday, 16th April

If you applied for a place in Reception class for September, you will be sent an email from Leeds City Council letting you know which school your child has been given.

If you have been given our school, It is important that you let us know you want that place by emailing admissions@hunsletcarr.co.uk by Friday, 2nd May. You can find out more info about accepting your place on the school website.

Nursery Places

We also have an excellent Nursery providing an amazing start to their school life. *Children can start after their third birthday and we offer 15 hours of free childcare, either in the morning or in the afternoon, depending on what suits your needs.* If your child is turning three or you'd like more info email admissions@hunsletcarr.co.uk.



Dates for your diary

Year 6 Practice SAT Tests – Week Beg 28th of April

The children will have the chance to practice taking last year's SAT tests in the same conditions that they will take their real tests in May. It is important that all Year 6 children are in every day that week, as the tests will begin at 9 am each morning.

Bank Holiday - Monday, 5th May

The school will not be open on Monday, 5th May, as it is a bank holiday.

Year 6 SATs - Monday, 12th May until Thursday, 15th May

This week, the Year 6 children will be taking their SATs. Each morning, they will come to the school hall at 9 a.m. to begin their tests. It is vital that the children arrive on time so that they do not miss the start of the test.

Questions and Information

If you have any questions or need further information about items in this newsletter, please ask your class teacher or me. We will be happy to help.

Kind Regards, Mr Martin Lumb

Governors' News

I wanted to let you know about three very important things happening in school.

The first is that at our last governor's meeting, we welcomed Joanne Fields as our new parent/carer governor. Joanne has children in Years 5 and 3 and is herself a primary school teacher elsewhere in the city. She has already made a big difference, letting Gary Lumb know about free Science Resources and Training available through a charity her school has already worked with. Welcome, and thank you, Joanne.

The second item is the budget meeting I will have with Mr Lumb. In April, schools find out how much funding they have being given. Despite headlines in newspapers saying schools are getting more money than ever, the reality is things cost more than ever. When I meet Mr Lumb, the question we will try to solve is how can we do more for the children with less money? Once agreed, we will let you know our plans for 2025-26.

The final item is the school's plans to join Cockburn MAT. The consultation period has now closed, and at a special meeting in May, the governors will make the final decision on whether to join the MAT on June 1st.

Kind regards, Sarah Gardner Chair of Governors

School Council News

Wow! We can't believe that it's already time to update the newsletter again! It feels like we just did the March one. We are edging closer to the SATs now so it's very busy in Year 6 at the moment.

We're looking forward to seeing all the eggs that will be decorated next week. Also, next week we get the pleasure of helping judge and host the Easter Bonnet Parade! We can't wait to see how creative Key Stage One are!

Have a lovely Easter break,
Ryan and Ella.