

26th February 2025

Dear parents and carers

We hope you are enjoying the lovely weather we have had for the last few days.... Long may it last!!

There are a few important dates coming up that we wanted to make you aware of:

Next Wednesday 5th March is the first week of our fantastic new parenting course that we are running alongside Hoole CE Primary School. The course is spread over six weeks throughout the school year and will take place between 4pm and 5pm in the school. You can sign up for all of the sessions or just pick those that you feel might apply to and benefit you and your family (please see the attached flyer).

The course is called *Parentalk - The Primary Years* and is written by the charity *Care for the Family* which is a charity that provides support for parents in all areas of family life (parenting, lone parenting, bereavement, debt management, children with additional needs, etc. Check out their website for more information (www.careforthe family.org.uk))

The **Parentalk - The Primary Years** course covers a variety of parenting issues -

- Setting boundaries
- Preparing children for the outside world
- The importance of family time
- Understanding children's 'Love Languages.'
- The importance of family
- Communication
- The busyness of family life

It will be an informal session with a video to watch and then discussion questions, probably in small groups depending on the numbers of parents/carers that sign up.

Mrs Bowes and Mrs Chester from HETTY will be leading the sessions along with Mrs Jeffs and Mrs Cooper from Hoole CE Primary School. We would really love as many of you to come along and take part in what we are sure will be a great time sharing experiences and hopefully getting some good advice, support and tactics to help with what can often be such a challenging time! If you would like to come along, the first session takes place next Wednesday 5th March and we will be looking at 'Setting Boundaries.' Please book by emailing admin@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk to reserve your place.

On another note, over the next week or so, the children will be coming home with a World Book Day voucher that can be exchanged for a specific WBD

book at many shops, or can be used for £1.00 off a different book. We will be celebrating **World Book Day at HETTY on Thursday 6th March** and we would love it if any children who want to could come dressed up in a book character's costume. Please don't feel under any pressure though, we have plenty of dressing up costumes here for them to use if they want to.

We have some really special news to share with you. Michelle Hall, one of our lovely staff members is expecting a baby and will be leaving us at the mid June for her maternity leave at the end of June. We're so excited for her and can't wait to meet her little one in the not too distant future! Michelle has a massive part in the team at HETTY and is loved by the staff and children alike.... She will be really missed but we're all absolutely thrilled for her!

One of our other wonderful staff members, Jody Pickles, will also be leaving us at the end of March to go on an fantastic adventure, travelling around some amazing parts of the world. Jody has been a brilliant team member and will be really missed by us all, but we're very much looking forward to receiving postcards from her travels!!

Finally, we would like to pass on our congratulations to the staff and children at Hoole CE Primary School for their amazing recent Ofsted inspection. We are so proud to work closely with them and want to acknowledge all their hard work and dedication to the children and families which was so obviously evident in their recent report!

Please do contact us if you have any questions about anything in this email, we hope to see lots of you next Wednesday at *Parentalk!*
Have a good week,

The HETTY Team