



Huttoft Primary and Nursery School Newsletter Autumn 2026

Message From Mr Davey



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move through the autumn term, I am delighted to reflect on what has been an exceptionally positive and productive start to the year across both West Fen Primary School and Huttoft Primary and Nursery School.

Our children have embraced the new academic year with enthusiasm, resilience and a genuine love of learning. It has been wonderful to see pupils across both schools demonstrating our shared values through their hard work in lessons, positive attitudes and kindness towards others. We are incredibly proud of the way they have settled into their new classes and risen to the challenges and opportunities that the term has brought.

One of the highlights of the autumn term was our recent Harvest Festival celebrations. These events provided an opportunity for children to reflect on the importance of gratitude,

community and supporting those in need. We were delighted to welcome families to join us and were overwhelmed by the generosity shown through the many harvest donations received. This year, all donations will be shared between Boston Centrepont and the Sutton on Sea Community Larder, helping to support individuals and families within our local area. The confidence and pride displayed by our pupils during the celebrations were a credit to both schools and reflected the caring values at the heart of our communities.

Throughout the term, some children have enjoyed educational visits and enrichment opportunities. At Huttoft Primary and Nursery School, pupils recently had a fantastic visit to the National Space Centre, where they were able to deepen their understanding of science and space through engaging, hands-on experiences. These opportunities help bring learning to life beyond the classroom, inspiring curiosity and creating lasting memories. Our pupils represented our schools with exemplary behaviour, enthusiasm and respect, and the positive feedback received from members of the public and trip providers is a testament to the high standards our children consistently demonstrate. We are also looking forward to many more exciting visits in the months ahead, including a trip for some pupils at West Fen to Lincoln Castle after Christmas. These experiences play an important role in enriching our curriculum and broadening children's horizons. We also look forward to both schools taking what has become our traditional trip to the theatre to see the pantomime next term.

At Huttoft, we have also recently renamed our classes after well-known constellations, reflecting our ambition to inspire curiosity, exploration and a sense of wonder in our children. Our youngest pupils begin their learning journey in Ursa Minor Nursery and Orion Reception, before progressing through Phoenix Class (Year 1/2), Centaurus Class (Year 3/4), Aquila Class (Year 4/5) and finally Cassiopeia Class (Year 6). The new names create a strong identity for each class and complement our commitment to encouraging children to aim high, dream big and reach for the stars.

Many pupils also enjoyed attending the recent PTFA disco at West Fen, this was full of fun, laughter and excitement. We are incredibly grateful to our PTFA members and volunteers whose dedication and hard work make these events possible. Their support continues to enrich the experiences we can offer our children. At Huttoft the disco takes place in the new term.

Sport continues to play an important role in school life across both schools, helping children to develop confidence, teamwork and resilience. At West Fen Primary School, we are particularly proud of the fantastic progress made by pupils in Class 3 this term. Through their commitment, determination and positive attitude, they have shown significant improvement in their sporting skills and participation. Meanwhile, at Huttoft Primary and Nursery School, our football team enjoyed a memorable success when they defeated local rivals Sutton-on-Sea. The team displayed excellent sportsmanship, teamwork and determination throughout the match, and we are incredibly proud of the way they represented the school. These achievements reflect the enthusiasm and dedication our pupils bring to sporting

opportunities and demonstrate the many benefits of taking part in competitive and recreational sport.

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended our recent Parent Consultation Evenings. These meetings are an important opportunity to celebrate children's achievements, discuss their progress and strengthen the partnership between home and school. We greatly value the support and encouragement you provide, and we know that when schools and families work together, children thrive.

There is much to celebrate across both schools this term. From excellent learning in classrooms and strong attendance to sporting successes, creative achievements and acts of kindness, our pupils continue to impress us every day. We are particularly proud of the compassion and sense of responsibility our children have demonstrated through their support for local causes and community initiatives. The commitment of our dedicated staff, combined with the support of our families, ensures that children at both schools have every opportunity to succeed.

As we look ahead to the remainder of the academic year, we are excited about the many opportunities still to come. We remain committed to providing the highest quality education and a wide range of experiences that help every child develop academically, socially and emotionally.

Thank you for your continued support of both West Fen Primary School and Huttoft Primary and Nursery School. Together, we continue to create nurturing, ambitious and successful learning communities where every child can flourish.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Davey

Executive Headteacher

Ursa Minor - Nursery



What a wonderful first term back we have had in Nursery! We have loved welcoming some new friends to our Nursery family and watching everyone settle in, make new friendships and enjoy learning and playing together.

Our enquiry question this term has been 'What makes me exceptional?', giving the children lots of opportunities to explore their feelings, talents, interests and all the wonderful things that make each of us unique. We have enjoyed exploring Autumn, Harvest, space and Lincolnshire through stories, creative activities and plenty of outdoor adventures. Searching for natural treasures around school with our baskets has been a particular favourite, along with bug hunting and looking for the Gruffalo and his family.

Our new bikes and scooters have also been a big hit, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed developing their confidence, coordination and physical skills. We also had a fantastic visit from Super Star Sport, where Coach Oscar led an exciting movement and sports session.

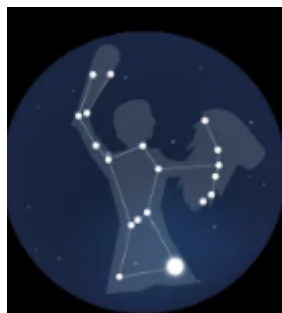
We are incredibly proud of how well the children have settled into the new school year and all they have achieved this term. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for sharing in all the little moments that make Nursery so special. We hope you all have a lovely, relaxing half-term break and enjoy some special family time together. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for another exciting term!







Reception - Orion



What a busy, fun term it's been for us in Reception! The children have made us so proud as they have all settled into 'big' school so quickly and have come in everyday with smiles on

their faces! New friendships have been forged and new values have been introduced and the children are quickly learning the value of respect, friendship and resilience! Discovery Times have been enjoyed by all, as every area of our setting is always full of busy, independent learners, confidently exploring their new and engaging environment.

The much-loved Monsters in phonics learning have made a great impression with the children and 18 new sounds have been learnt, including blending and segmenting skills - so reading and spelling is developing well! In maths, skills in matching, comparing, sorting, counting, measuring and making simple patterns, have been learnt and applied consistently everyday in Discovery. We've even had time for an autumn walk, exploring our world and the changing season!

Next term we are looking forward to learning more new sounds in phonics, taking home reading books, learning about people in our community who help us and we'll also be practicing our Nativity in the lead up to Christmas!











Our Reception children had so much fun yesterday learning how to use a frisbee! They listened carefully to Oscar, the sports coach, throwing their frisbee as far as they could and aiming it at a target!

Year 1 and 2 - Phoenix



What a fantastic first half-term Year 1 and 2 have had! The children have enjoyed a busy and exciting start to the year and have explored lots of new topics. During our nature walks in science around the school grounds, the children have been exploring our local habitat and identifying a variety of plants and animals. In art they have demonstrated great precision when mixing colours, creating some wonderful results. In history we have been learning about significant people from the past, such as Neil Armstrong and Rosa Parks. We have enjoyed discovering more about their lives and achievements.

The children have also enjoyed their first hockey lessons with Mr Kirkham, developing their skills and having lots of fun along the way. In English they have been busy creating their own imaginative stories about a naughty bus. Their ideas about where their very own naughty bus might go were creative and lots of imagination was used. Looking ahead to next half-term, we will continue to explore the lives of significant individuals from history, begin learning about human survival in science and look at new texts in our writing lessons. We will also be working hard on preparations for our Christmas show.





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Year 1 and 2 had an exciting morning yesterday doing Ultimate Frisbee. They all tried hard to learn the correct technique for throwing a frisbee and scoring points. Well done for the hard work!

Year 3 and 4 - Centaurus



Centaurus Class have made a great start to the school year and have settled in really well, making new friends along the way. We've had a busy first term, with lots of exciting learning and some fantastic experiences!

In science, we have been learning all about space and we had a brilliant day out at the National Space Centre in Leicester. We loved seeing the rockets and finding out more about space exploration. One of the highlights was getting to experience the planetarium, which brought our learning to life!

In history, we have travelled back in time to Ancient China and have been learning all about the Shang Dynasty. We've discovered what life was like during this period and explored some of the things that made this ancient civilisation so fascinating. In PE, we've been developing our football skills and improving our fitness through a range of activities. We've also enjoyed lots of fun team games, which have challenged us to work together, communicate and support one another.

We've enjoyed some fantastic books this term, too! The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl has been a favourite and Zombierella has kept us entertained with its gruesome twists, making us laugh and gasp! In writing, we've been using The Barnabus Project as our inspiration and have created our own pet shops. It's been great fun seeing all the different ideas the children have come up with and how much creativity they've put into their designs.

We're looking forward to the next half term, when we'll be getting stuck into some new books and exploring more exciting topics!



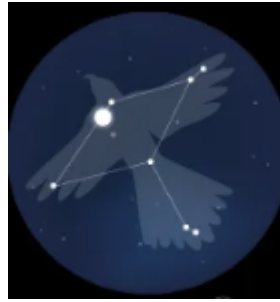
Our Year 3/4 children have been exploring space in their art lesson! They used black pen to carefully draw astronauts, bringing their designs to life. We loved seeing the different ideas and creative details they included!



Our Year 3/4 children have had a fun morning playing Ultimate Frisbee!

We learnt how to throw and catch the frisbee, as well as how to score points and work as a team. Both teams played brilliantly and showed great teamwork and determination throughout.

Year 4 and 5 - Aquila



Aquila had a fantastic first term! Throughout the last six weeks, we have read four books, been to the National Space Centre and worked very hard on handwriting. Years 4 and 5 have particularly loved learning about space in science, we have been drawing diagrams and investigating the phases of the moon. In maths, we have moved on to addition and subtraction, mastering tricky column subtraction calculations. A reading highlight for us has been studying the book *Letters from the Lighthouse* by Emma Carroll, which is set in 1941, teaching us about World War Two. Well done Aquila class!







Year 5 worked on their cooperation, teamwork and negotiation skills when building the tallest tower with only 8 pieces of card, scissors and masking tape. They not only needed to compete by building the tallest tower, but also competed with which group could work best together.







Year 4/5 had a fantastic time playing Ultimate Frisbee. They demonstrated excellent respect, resilience and ambition, learning how to throw and catch a frisbee. When playing against each other, they used their competitiveness and sportsmanship to work as a team.

Year 6 - Cassiopeia



Year 6 have made a great start to a busy new term, settling into their final year of primary school and embracing lots of exciting new learning opportunities!

In Science, we have been fascinated by the circulatory system and have been discovering just how incredible our hearts are and the important role they play in keeping us healthy.

In Reading, we have explored poetry by Michael Rosen from *On the Move* and have been captivated by *Fly Me Home* by Polly Ho-Yen. Both texts explore the themes of migration, encouraging us to think deeply about the experiences of others and the journeys people take.

In maths, we began by revisiting place value before moving on to the trickier topic of division and multiplication. As we tackle these new challenges, strong multiplication skills are more important than ever! Please continue to practice regularly on Times Tables Rock Stars at home. Building confidence and fluency with multiplication facts will really support the children's learning across many areas of Maths.

As the oldest children in the school, Year 6 have also been enjoying taking on greater responsibility and becoming positive role models for the younger pupils. We are looking forward to seeing them grow in confidence, independence and maturity as the term progresses.

It has certainly been a busy start, and we are proud of the enthusiasm and positive attitudes the children have shown so far. We look forward to all the exciting learning and opportunities that lie ahead!





Making a difference in our local community A handful of our Year 6 children have recently taken some generous donations over to New Haven to support our local community. Small acts of kindness can make a big difference!



Our Year 6 children did a fantastic job celebrating Harvest Festival!

They shared their speaking lines, teaching us fascinating facts about farming in Lincolnshire and highlighting the important role farming plays in our local community. From the hard work of our farmers to the food that reaches our tables, the children reminded us how much we have to be thankful for. A huge well done to Year 6 for their confidence, enthusiasm and brilliant contributions. We are so proud of you all!

Lincolnshire Day









The National Space Centre



Years 3,4 and 5 have had a fantastic time at The National Space Centre on Monday. There was such a wide variety to do, from vast exhibits to a private workshop. For most of them, and the adults, they experienced a planetarium for the first time - what an opportunity! They left school as students and returned as astronauts



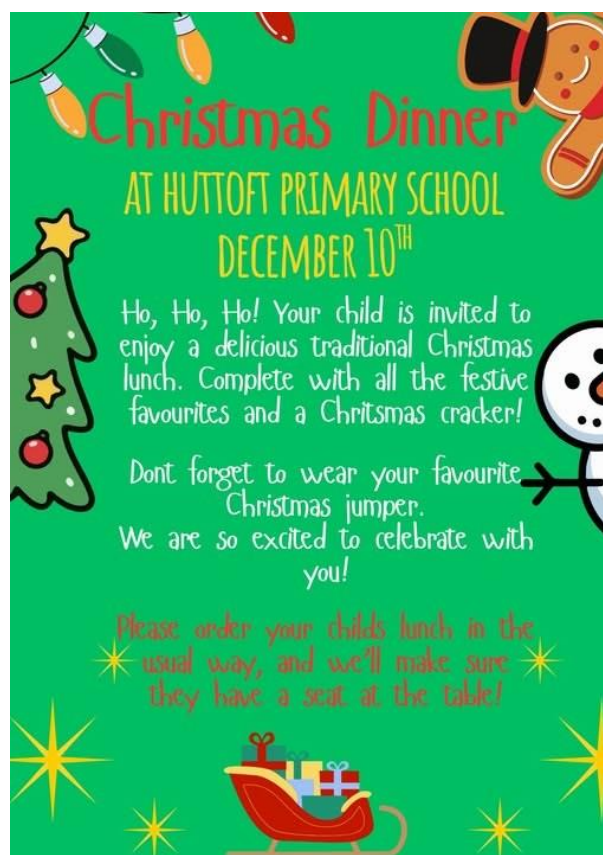








Christmas Dinner Day - 10th December



Our wonderful Catering Team will be serving a traditional Christmas lunch, complete with all the delicious trimmings, followed by a tasty festive pudding. And, of course, every child will receive their very own Christmas cracker!

This is now available to book via the MACS app.

Open Day at Huttoft Primary School



HUTTOFT PRIMARY & NURSERY

Reception class open days

Is your child starting school in
September 2027?





8th October 1:30pm

4th November 1:30pm

6th January 1:30pm

- This is a wonderful opportunity to meet our friendly team, explore our welcoming learning environment, and discover all that our school has to offer.

Find out what makes our school so special.



Contact us to book your place
office@huttoft.lincs.sch.uk
01507 490 284

www.huttoft.lincs.sch.uk

Football





What a fantastic afternoon for our school football team! A brilliant 5–1 win and such a great team performance. The children worked so hard, supported each other and showed fantastic teamwork from start to finish. A huge well done to all of our players, you should be proud!

School News



Mrs Taylor has chosen to take early retirement from Huttoft Primary and Nursery School after an incredible 23 years with us. Twenty-three years is a remarkable length of time, and Mrs Taylor has been a very special part of the Huttoft family. She has supported and cared for generations of children and has made a lasting contribution to our school community.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Mrs Taylor for her dedication, care, kindness and hard work over the past 23 years. She has created many wonderful memories and will be greatly missed by the children, families and staff. We are sure you will all join us in wishing Mrs Taylor every happiness and success for the future. We will be very sad to see her leave, but wish her all the very best for this exciting new chapter.



We currently have **two KS2 Teaching positions and one Teaching Assistant position available** at Huttoft Primary and Nursery School!

If you are interested in joining our team, please follow the link below for further information and details on how to apply.

<https://teaching-vacancies.service.gov.uk/jobs/ks2-teaching-assistant-and-midday-supervisory-assistant-huttoft-primary-nursery-school>

<https://teaching-vacancies.service.gov.uk/jobs/ks2-teaching-assistant-and-midday-supervisory-assistant-huttoft-primary-nursery-school-alford-lincolnshire>

<https://teaching-vacancies.service.gov.uk/jobs/teaching-assistant-and-midday-supervisory-assistant-huttoft-primary-nursery-school>

Admissions Consultation for September 2028



Horncastle Education Trust is consulting on Huttoft Primary & Nursery School's admission arrangements for September 2028. There are no proposed changes to the current arrangements, but we would really welcome views from parents, carers, prospective parents and others within our local community. The consultation runs from 5 October to 15 November 2026. Full details of the proposed arrangements and how to respond are available here:

https://huttoft.lincs.sch.uk/Admissions-Policy-Consultation/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAcGRvZgVzcnRjBmFwcF9pZBAyMjIwMzkxNzg4MjAwODkyAAEel321RPVzJD9PYNABdA-2GpPqllcKUxvsGA1N5Thb3aoqiHDAgNRa8-XJiiE_aem_1IH3q3el8JTKf1H0_gfYEA

Friends of Huttoft PTA news





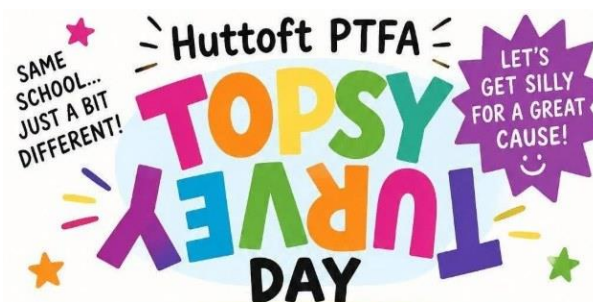
1 - We're looking for parents, carers, grandparents and friends of the school who might be able to spare a little time to help support Huttoft PTFA.

You don't need to commit to every meeting or every event — even helping at one disco, sports day, gift shop, Christmas event or summer event can make a huge difference. Our PTFA helps raise money to provide extra opportunities, activities and treats for the children at Huttoft, but we can only keep doing this with the support of volunteers.

Could you help at an event? Help with one of our Christmas activities? Lend a hand at the Mother's or Father's Day shops? Help at a disco?

Every little bit of help really does count. If you'd like to get involved — whether regularly or just occasionally — please comment below, send the Huttoft PTFA Facebook page a message, or speak to us through school.

More helpers = more we can do for our children!



2 - A huge thank you to all our wonderful families for supporting our Topsy Turvey Day!

We are delighted to announce that we raised an amazing **£162!**

Thank you to everyone who took part, got creative with their wacky outfits and donated to support our school. We are so grateful for your continued generosity and support!





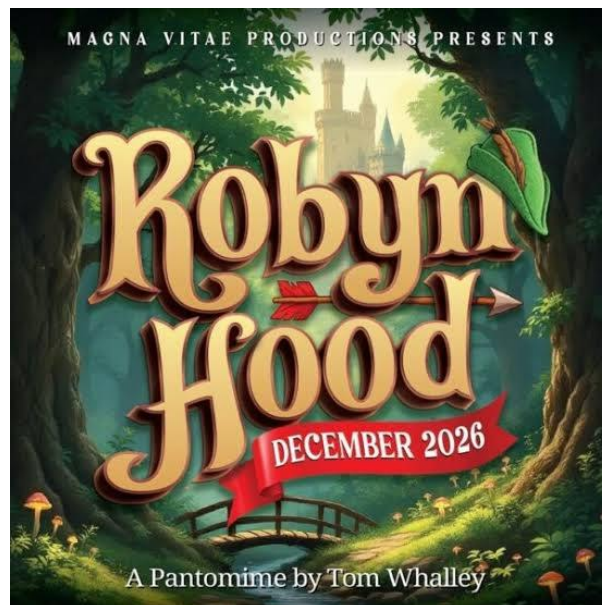
3 - School Disco – Date Change!

*Please note that our school disco date has changed to **Thursday 26th November**.*

Infant Disco – Reception, Years 1, 2 and 3 3:15pm – 4:30pm

Junior Disco – Years 4, 5 and 6 4:45pm – 6:00pm

***Tickets will go on sale after half term!** You will be able to purchase tickets from the school office, or look out for a member of the PTFA on the playground.*



*4 - A huge thank you to our wonderful PTFA for funding a pantomime trip for all children from Reception to Year 6 to enjoy a performance of Robyn Hood on **Tuesday 15th December!***

We are incredibly grateful for their continued generosity and support in providing our children with exciting opportunities and special memories to enjoy.

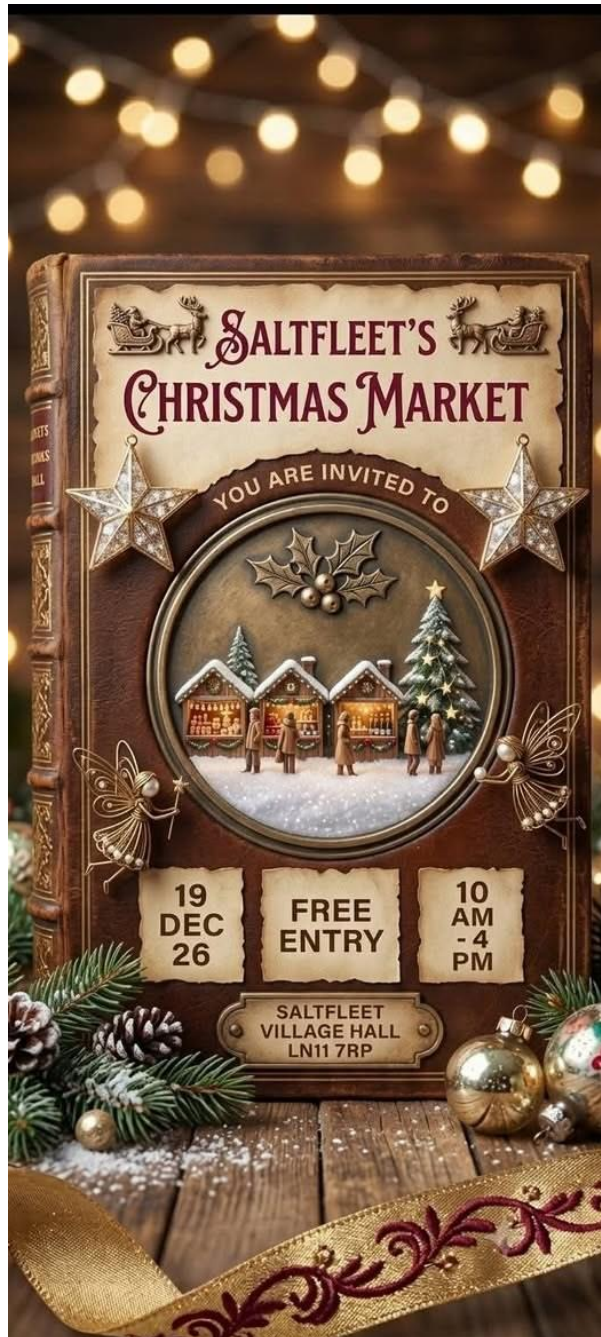
Thank you, PTFA, for making this festive treat possible!



Community News







5 - First Aid Training Available

Be prepared. Be confident. Save lives!

We are pleased to offer an exciting opportunity to attend Emergency Paediatric First Aid and Emergency First Aid at Work Training sessions taking place on Wednesday 18th November at Banovallum School¹.

These sessions are designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge needed to respond quickly and effectively in an emergency. What you'll learn: CPR and how to use a defibrillator (AED) How to deal with choking treating cuts, burns, and minor injuries. Managing emergency situations calmly and safely.

For more information or to book, please contact:

Katie Warsap

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Communication



- If there are unavoidable last minute changes to arrangements for events or clubs, we will let you know by email and MCAS, and where appropriate, post to **Huttoft Primary Nursery** Facebook page.
- If we need to discuss something about your child with you, contact is likely to come from the Office or the Class Teacher by phone or email.
- Should an accident or incident occur, the Office will telephone to alert you.
- General letters and reports will be sent home via email/MCAS or pupil post.
- Please remember to keep your contact details up to date by informing the school office when they change.
- Dairy dates, please check these for any additions/deductions to dates and events.

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Uniform



We pride ourselves on our uniform here at Huttoft and you will be notified if a child's uniform does not follow our uniform policy. You can view the policy here [Uniform Policy](#)² Please can we make sure that all children return in the correct uniform.

We have two suppliers who stock our uniform, please follow the links below to our uniform suppliers.

Nationwide School Uniforms³

Uniform Direct⁴

There is a large supply of pre-loved uniform at Alford Hub. Please contact Jan Parrott for more information on opening times and availability - jan.parrott@alfordhub.co.uk⁵ - 07355036284

'If your children need school shorts or school summer dresses please pop in to Alford Hub⁶ HQ, the Uniform & Baby Bank team are in on Wednesday's & Friday's, 9.00am - 12.00pm', Jan Parrott⁷ Alford Hub Trustee & Treasurer.

Please note our uniform policy does not include the wearing of boots - 'Black school-type shoes' are in the policy. Also a reminder that hair accessories 'should be simple and co-ordinated in school uniform colours'.

²https://www.huttoft.lincs.sch.uk/docs/policies/Uniform_Policy.pdf

³<https://www.nationwideschooluniforms.co.uk/school-uniform/primary-school/huttoft-primary-school>

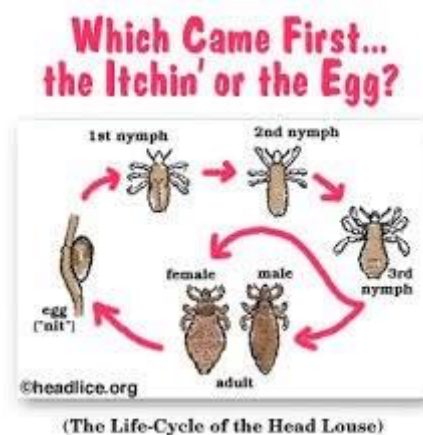
⁴<https://www.uniform-direct.com/acatalog/Huttoft-Primary-and-Nursery-School.html>

⁵<mailto:jan.parrott@alfordhub.co.uk>

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Once a week, Take a peek!!



Please check your child's hair regularly and treat accordingly to try and prevent the spread around school. Thank you.

Contact Us



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