



16th January 2015 Newsletter

Happy New Year

Welcome back! The children have settled well back into school routines at the start of our Spring term. We all enjoyed making snow angels at playtime on Wednesday.

Parentmail

Thank you to those parents who have registered their accounts. Please check your e-mails and register your account if you have not yet done so. If you need any assistance with this, Mrs Rowcroft will be happy to help. The service is now up and running, so newsletters and school communications will be sent electronically.

Severe weather

Please be extra careful if it is icy in the mornings. Mr Davison will grit a path to provide safe access to school. In the event of extreme weather, please check the school website for information on school closures. We will do everything we can to ensure school is open for 'business as usual', but the safety of our children and staff is paramount.

School Photographs

Michelle Fowler photographer will be coming into school to take individual and family group photographs on Wednesday 4th February. Pre-School children will be having their photographs taken by Tempest Photography on Monday 2nd February. Please complete the slip below to let us know which photographs you would like. Mrs Smith will send a separate letter to parents of pre-school children.

Swimming/After School Club

We are swimming this term on Thursday mornings. We request a contribution of £2.50 per child per week. Please make cheques payable to Northumberland County Council for £15 to cover the half term. There will be 5 after school clubs this half term. Please make cheques payable to Humshaugh First School for £7.50 for this half term. We have changed our sports provider and are now using Mr Collins of Newcastle Community Football. This provider is highly recommended by Beaufront and Wylam First Schools and offers better value for money.

Lunch money

We will not now be having an INSET day on 13th February 2015. There are 29 school days this half term. Lunch money may be paid weekly on a Monday for the week ahead or for the half term if this is more convenient. The cost for the half term is £58 per child.

Library and reading volunteers

Please remember that the school library is open every day except Wednesday after school. Can we request that children and parents who would like to use this facility come to the front door, to avoid congestion at the back door. The library has a lovely, comfy sofa and a reading tent designed and made by the children; please come along and use this fabulous facility. Thanks to Miss Osborne for designing the reading tent.

Hexham Abbey Choir

Could your son or daughter be in the Abbey Choir? Great opportunities exist for a first rate musical education, concerts, tours to other countries and many other exciting occasions alongside the high-quality singing at the

Abbey's regular and special services. The choir is open to boys aged 7 and above and girls aged 11 or above. If you would like to find out more, the director of Music, Marcus Wibberley, is always pleased to receive enquiries from potential new members of the Choir. Please contact him on 01434 602031 or directorofmusic@hexhamabbey.org.uk

Other dates for your diary.

Friday 13th February: Children break up for half term.

Monday 23rd February: Children return to school for second half of Spring term.

Tuesday 24th February: Shrove Tuesday event in the Village Hall, 6.30pm. Details to follow.

Monday 9th March: Outdoor adventure day with Pinpoint Adventure. Details to follow.

Kind regards,
Cath Newson (Headteacher)

Father, I place into Your hands the things I cannot do.
Father, I place into Your hands the things that I've been through.
Father, I place into Your hands the way that I should go,
For I know I always can trust You.

Name of child _____

I would like an individual photograph ☐

I would like a sibling group photograph ☐ Please tick.