



16th September 2016 Newsletter

We have had a fabulous start to the new school year and all our new starters seem to have settled in brilliantly. Many thanks to all parents for returning the letter pack so quickly. It really helps with the smooth running of the school.

Wild About Adventure

The after school club will start on Monday 26th September 3.05-4.15pm. **A permission letter was sent out on Tuesday so please check your child's book bag and return the slip as soon as possible to your child's teacher.**

Paul and the children will focus on Navigation in the Autumn term, First Aid in the Spring term and Outdoor classrooms in the Summer term.

There will be a whole school adventure day on Monday 19th September. Children will need to dress in old, practical clothes and bring waterproof shoes and coat.

Harvest soup day

On Thursday 29th September, parents, relatives and friends from the community are invited to the school to enjoy delicious homemade soup. Please arrive at 1.15pm for 1.30pm. At approximately 2.30pm, the children will lead a celebration of Harvest Praise. Everyone is welcome so please ensure you put the date on your calendar.

Louise Armatage would really appreciate some helpers on the day so if you are able to contribute in any way, please let her know as soon as possible. Her mobile number is: 07900 373 009

Harvest boxes-PLEASE BRING BOXES INTO SCHOOL BY WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER AT THE VERY LATEST

As always, we will be taking Harvest gifts to people in the village. If possible, please decorate a reasonably strong shoe box in Harvest colours and place some long life food items in it to be donated around the village. Examples of items are all kinds of tinned food, pasta, packets of soup, biscuits and coffee/tea. Please make sure all items donated have a reasonable use by date.

Christmas Market

Following the success of last year, a Christmas market will be held at Humshaugh Village Hall on Saturday 15th October between 11am and 2pm.

Donations are always welcome and if you would like to offer your time and help on the day, please speak to Louise as soon as possible.

Lunch money 6.9.16-21.10.16

The cost is £2 per day therefore £68 is due for the first half of the term.

Please send all monies to the school office in a clearly labelled envelope with your child's name, class and the amount enclosed.

Swimming

Due to ever increasing bus travel costs, the amount for each swimming session is as follows:

7 sessions =£21.00 (£3 per session)

*We will swim during Autumn 1st half term and Spring 1st half term (not the summer term)

NB The cost of £21.00 is per child not per family- apologies if the letter was confusing.

Letter check

It is vital that you check your child's book bag every day to ensure any messages, letters or permission slips are dealt with as soon as possible. It makes the organisation of activities and events so much easier for the teachers and Mrs Rowcroft.

Parent Governor

A vacancy has arisen on the Governing Body for the appointment of a Parent Governor. Parent Governors must be elected by the parents or carers of pupils at the school and must have children at the school. The period of office is 4 years.

A letter was sent out last week. Please ensure we have your nominations by Monday 19th September.

Reading volunteers

We would love to invite anyone (parent, relative, friend) with half an hour or more to spare to come into school to listen to children from Class 1 and 2 read. If you are interested, please see your child's class teacher.

Reading Talk reminder

Mrs Blythe is doing a Reading Talk on Tuesday 20th September at 9.00am in Class 1. Although usually aimed at parents with new starters, the invitation is open to all parents. The session should last no longer than half an hour.

Attendance

Well done everyone for fantastic attendance and punctuality so far...keep it up!!

Please ensure your child is in school every day unless unwell. Parents must contact the school office or leave a message on the answer machine giving a reason for absence.

Routines

Please remember to arrive promptly to school in the morning. The bell is rung for school to start at 8.50am.

Parents should leave their children in the playground where they will be escorted into school by Mrs Phillips.

Late book-we are trialling a Late Book to monitor punctuality. If children arrive after the back doors are locked, they are required to be dropped off at the front door. A member of staff will fill in the late book and escort your child to their classroom. **There are very few entries so far-brilliant!**

Please ensure you arrive on time at 3.05pm to pick your child up at the end of the day.

PE this term

We will be doing PE outside (weather permitting) in the autumn term on a Friday, so please make sure your child has a suitable PE kit and sandshoes with velcro fastening or trainers that he/she can fasten independently.

Other dates for your diary.

Monday 19th September: Outdoor Adventure Day

Tuesday 20th September: 9.00am Reading Talk

Monday 26th September: Outdoor Adventure Club starts

Thursday 29th September: Soup day and Harvest Festival (Soup at approx. 1.30pm and Harvest Festival at approx. 2.30pm)

Wednesday 5th October: Baker Be

Monday 17th October: CLASS 1 AND 2 Parent Consultations (LETTER IN BOOK BAGS ON MONDAY 19TH SEP)

Tuesday 18th October: CLASS 1 ONLY Parent Consultations (LETTER IN BOOK BAGS ON MONDAY 19TH SEP)

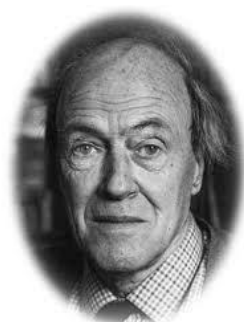
Thursday 20th October: CLASS 2 ONLY Parent Consultations (LETTER IN BOOK BAGS ON MONDAY 19TH SEP)

Thursday 20th October: Break up for half term

Friday 21st October: Teacher Day

Kind regards,

Jude Long (Acting Headteacher)



"A little nonsense now and then, is cherished by the wisest men"

"If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely."

