



## **8<sup>th</sup> January 2016 Newsletter**

### **Happy New Year!**

Welcome back to the start of 2016. I hope that everyone had a peaceful and relaxing Christmas with family and friends. Thank you to everyone who brought in money for the Christmas jumper day. £30 was collected and will be shared between MacMillan Cancer Support, Make a Wish UK and Save the Children.

### **Flooding and severe winter weather**

Thank you to everyone for your understanding on Tuesday when we made the decision to send children home early due to the conditions on the roads locally. We are certainly seeing some extreme weather events at the minute and will keep those people who have been affected by flooding in our prayers. We will endeavour to keep the school open in the event of snow and ice but in the event of further school closure due to adverse weather conditions, we will send out a Parentmail and also inform NCC. Closure notices will appear on the following places:

- The school website [www.humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk](http://www.humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk)
- [www.northumberland.gov.uk](http://www.northumberland.gov.uk)
- [www.facebook.com/nccalerts](https://www.facebook.com/nccalerts)
- [www.twitter.com/northumberlands](https://www.twitter.com/northumberlands)



### **E-admissions portal**

Applications for places in Reception for September 2016 are now being accepted. The handbook and application forms are available at: [www.northumberland.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/primaryadmissions). The closing date for applications is 15 January 2016. Parents will be notified of the outcome of their application for a school place on 15 April 2016.

### **Milk Money**

For children aged 5 and over who would like milk in the Spring term, the cost will be £15.50. Cheques should be made payable to Northumberland County Council please and returned to school on 8.1.16. You will have received a separate letter about milk orders.

### **Lunch money**

The cost of school lunches this half term will be £58. Cheques should be made payable to Northumberland County Council, please. If you pay weekly, please send money in a named envelope on Monday morning, marked clearly 'Lunch money.' Thank you.



### **After School Lent Club**

Canon Christine and Mrs Judith Sadler will be leading an after school Lent Club on four Thursdays during Lent, starting on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February. It will run from 3.15-4.30pm and will involve songs, crafts, Godly play and refreshments. Everyone is welcome. If your child is interested, we would appreciate if he/she could commit to attend all four sessions. Please return the permission slip below if you would like your child to attend.

**Other dates for your diary.**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016:** Staff INSET day.

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January:** Children return to school for the start of the Spring term.

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February:** Visit from Hendrick Malangu.

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February:** Shrove Tuesday event if enough children are available. 7 for 7.30pm

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February:** Lent After School Club begins, 3.15pm-4.30pm. School closes for half term holiday.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February:** INSET Day for staff.

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February:** Return to school for second half of Spring term.

Kind regards,

Cath Newson (Headteacher)

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A prayer for 2016

Dear Lord, please give me...

A few friends who understand me and remain my friends;

A work to do which has real value,

without which the world would be the poorer;

A mind unafraid to travel, even though the trail be not blazed;

An understanding heart;

A sense of humour;

Time for quiet, silent meditation;

A feeling of the presence of God;

The patience to wait for the coming of these things,

With the wisdom to recognise them when they come.

Amen.

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I would like my child \_\_\_\_\_ to take part in the After School Lent Club on the following dates:

- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February 3.15-4.30pm
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 3.15-4.30pm
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 3.15-4.30pm
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 3.15-4.30pm

Signed \_\_\_\_\_



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