



## **13<sup>th</sup> October 2017 Newsletter**

### **PARENT CONSULTATIONS**

It was great to see so many parents this week. We really appreciate all your support at home and in school, it really makes a difference to your child's progress. If you were unable to attend the meetings this week, please ensure that you re-arrange with the class teacher as soon as possible.

### **ANTONY GORMLEY TRIP-YEAR 3 AND 4**

The children had an amazing time at the workshop and their behaviour was outstanding. Thank you to Ms Osborne for organising the trip and to Mrs Phillips, Miss Bell, Amy McKenzie and Fenella and Bernie McFadden for kindly transporting the children to Hexham.

### **SWIMMING AND MESSY CHURCH**

Permission letters for swimming and Messy Church were sent out last Friday. Please return your reply slip and contribution as soon as possible.

### **FRIENDS**

As always, the Friends have some lovely ideas for this term. In addition to the decorated box and vegetable competition, the following events are planned:

**Tuesday 17th October- Pub quiz** at The Crown Inn, HUMSHAUGH at 8pm in aid of the playing field fireworks display.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Jumble and Book sale**

Following on from last year's success, there will be a Jumble and Book sale between **9.00-10.30am** in the hall.

**Please drop your child off as usual and then re-enter the hall through the fire doors.** Please allow children to bring in up to £1 to spend at the stall. Class teachers will take each class to the hall during the morning.

**Friday 3rd November - Humshaugh Playing Field Trust Firework Spectacular**

From 6pm hot food served and fireworks start at 6.30pm.

\*No sparklers or personal fireworks to be brought to the event\*

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November-Christmas Shop**

Children can bring in a small amount of pocket money to buy Christmas goodies between 3-4pm in the hall.

The Friends will also be paying for our tickets to see Wizard of Oz at the Queens Hall in December and for Christmas presents from Santa. We really appreciate everything they do, so please show your support as much as possible.

### **OUTDOOR LEARNING**

**On Fridays**, children will need to wear trousers, jeans or leggings to school rather than ordinary school uniform.

**We still would like children to wear their Humshaugh First School sweatshirt or cardigan.**

**Please send a waterproof coat and trousers in a named carrier bag which can be kept on a peg. The children will change into these at lunchtime. (If you have a spare set, we are more than happy to store waterproofs in school).**

### **WE NOW HAVE A FANTASTIC SET OF WELLIE SHELVES NEAR THE BACK DOOR!**

If possible, we would like parents to provide their child with a clearly labelled pair of wellies that can be kept at school for all types of outdoor activities through the week. We would really like to get the children outside as much as possible and with the changeable weather, school shoes are getting wet and uncomfortable.

**PLEASE DO NOT WEAR WELLIES TO SCHOOL – CHILDREN MUST HAVE SHOES TO CHANGE INTO**

### **Lunch money-Autumn 1<sup>st</sup>-5.9.17-19.10.17**

**The cost is £2.30 per day therefore £75.90 for the first half of the term (33 days at £2.30 per meal)**

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

**Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 still receive Universal Free School meals.**

### **Middle School admissions**

On-line admissions are now open. Year 4 parents should have received an information sheet about how to apply on line. The Open Evening for HMS is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October.

### **GRAPES IN PACKED LUNCHES**

**A message from Mrs Kennedy:** For safety reasons, if your child brings grapes in their packed lunch, please could you ensure that they are cut in half.

### **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.

### **Other dates for your diary.**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October-** Pub quiz at The Crown Inn

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October:** Jumble and Book Sale 9.00-10.30am-school hall / Last day of term

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October:** Teacher Day

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October:** Autumn 2<sup>nd</sup> term starts

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October:** Middle School admissions close

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** - Humshaugh Playing Field Trust Firework Spectacular

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November:** Christmas Shop 3-4pm – school hall

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November:** Advent Day

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup>/Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December:** Humshaugh Theatre Group presents *Aladdin Trouble*-Village Hall

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December:** Trip to see Wizard of Oz-Queens Hall

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December:** Lights, Camel, Action! Christmas Production-9.15am

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December:** Christmas Party 1pm

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December:** Break up for Christmas!

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018:** Teacher Day

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018:** Spring 1<sup>st</sup> term starts

Best wishes

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