



Friday 5th June 2020



RE-OPENING NEWS

We were delighted to welcome more pupils into school on Monday 1st June. The school is filled with laughter and chatter once more. We have two groups or 'huddles' – one EYFS huddle with Nursery and Reception children who are based in Class 1 and a Year 1 and above 'huddle' who are based in the hall.

Parents and children have adapted amazingly to the new routines including drop off and pick up and keeping to 2m distance whenever possible. All children are working from their Home Learning Packs and are becoming used to being in school and trying to be independent learners.

We have packed lunches and different playtimes so there are plenty of opportunities to have fun outside in the yard on the big toys or to play with the lego and construction inside.

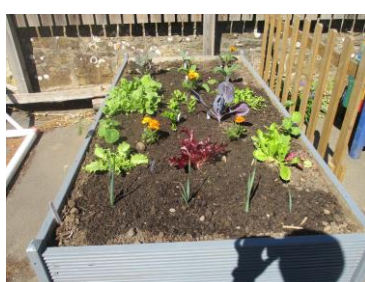
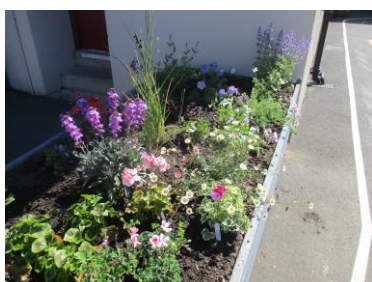
We are missing all the children who are still learning at home and look forward to when we can all be together again. Teaching staff have still been communicating with parents and children who are at home and are always available to help or support during the day by email or phone.

We have received some lovely supportive and positive feedback from parents and governors for which we are very grateful.

You can find more photographs on our website.

PLAYGROUND PLANTERS

I would like to thank Suzanne Newell and Ryan Lee for transforming our planters in the yard with the most amazing selection of flowers and herbs-see photos below. Their next challenge will be the garden section at the front of the school!



MRS WILKINSON

We are absolutely delighted to welcome Mrs Wilkinson back to school. She will be popping into school on a part-time basis through this term. She is thrilled to be back and so pleased to see the children.

MESSAGE FROM THE COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM

This is a message from the Covid-19 Response team:-

"For those having trouble making ends meet a reminder that through the ADAPT Hardship Fund financial support is available. Details of how to apply are on the Humshaugh Parish website (<https://www.humshaughparish.org.uk/>).

In addition, the Village Shop has funding available for those in need, details of which can be obtained by phoning the Humshaugh COVID-19 Response helpline number - 07469 796103. The helpline is still open to support residents with any issues during the COVID crisis, and all calls are treated in strictest confidence."

MESSAGE FROM THE NCC MENTAL HEALTH TEAM

To all parents:-

The 'Mental Health Team' is open for referrals from staff and parents regarding children who may need support during the coronavirus pandemic or for other mental health issues.

Parents can call the team on 01661 864 588 to make a referral for their child. Referrals can be made if a parent or staff member predicts that a child will need support in the future even if they are coping ok now.

FUTURE

We are still waiting for further guidance from the Government about opening to more year groups. We will keep parents updated as soon as we are able.

Wishing you all the best for a lovely weekend.

Jude Long

Headteacher