



**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (4 PAGES)**

### **AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

Well done to our superstars Isla W and Katlyn who received a certificate and a light up gold star for the week. Congratulations to Darcey for receiving the Kindness Award, George for the Perseverance Award and Mia, Emily, Josie and Elsie for receiving a 'collective' Helping Hand award.



The **Year 1** children all received a star for 'settling in so well in their new class'. The **Year 2s** received a 'collective' certificate for 'being so enthusiastic and courageous during their first school swimming lesson' and **Class 3** received a certificate for 'impeccable' behaviour during their trip to Jarrow Hall (our guide specifically commented on how amazing they were!) Well done everyone-we are very proud of you!



In Early Years, Alice and Harry are super stars for 'looking after things' and Olivia is the Handwriting Hero for trying really hard with her writing-well done!

## **LIBRARY SUMMER READING CHALLENGE**



Well done to Oscar, Bertie, Kate, George and Elsie for completing the Hexham Library Summer Reading Challenge. They received a certificate and medal!

## **HARVEST SHOW**

It was really great to see so many of you at the Harvest Show. Well done to all the entrants and winners and massive congratulations to Mrs Dodd for being organiser extraordinaire!

## **A MESSAGE FROM THE FRIENDS**

Thank you for all the donations for the toy stall at this year's Harvest Show. We raised a fabulous £122 for fun stuff for the kids!

## **JARROW HALL**

The children in Years 3 and 4 had a super time at Jarrow Hall on Tuesday. They learnt all about life in Anglo Saxon times with our guide Catherine. In the morning they had a tour of the farm and replica buildings and in the afternoon learnt about Runes and potions. The highlight of the day was the Kingdoms and Battles workshop which concluded with a very noisy and dynamic enactment of the Anglo Saxons defending their land from the Vikings! There are more photographs on the website.



### **SWIMMING**

The children in **Years 2, 3 and 4** had their first swimming lesson on Wednesday. Although it was a bit hectic and journey time was affected by the high volume of traffic at the Bridge End roundabout, the children coped really well. After an initial assessment they were placed into appropriate groups and launched themselves into their swimming lesson.

**Swimming payment is now live on Parent Pay.**

### **SHOE BOX PLEA!**

Please send in any adult sized shoe boxes or similar size ordinary boxes as soon as possible.

### **BEHAVIOUR AFTER SCHOOL**

This week we have spoken to the children about poor behaviour in the park after school. We understand that visiting the park after school is a chance to let off steam, however while children are still wearing the Humshaugh First School uniform they are representing our school. The park is a public area and it is used by other local families and visitors from further afield. Please encourage your child to avoid rough, fighting or wrestling games as this gives a negative impression of the behaviour expectations at our school which as you know are very high.

### **ZUMBA CLUB**

It was fabulous to see the children dancing in the sunshine and learning all about Columbia with Shelly and Julie.



### **ATTENDANCE**

Well done to Years 1 and 3 for achieving 100% attendance this week.

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u> %
RECEPTION	88%
YEAR 1	100%
YEAR 2	98%
YEAR 3	100%
YEAR 4	94%

### **REQUEST FROM MS OSBORNE**

Ms Osborne would like the children in Years 1 to 4 to bring in a cuddly toy to draw in Art. Year 1 and 2 will need to bring theirs in for Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September and Year 3 and 4 for Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September.

### **PE KITS**

Please ensure children have their PE kits in school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

If your child attends Sports club, they will go home in their PE kits which will need to be returned to school in time for the next lesson.

### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

**Breakfast club starts at 8.00am.**

**A polite reminder to parents that pupils will not be admitted into school until 8.00am.**

**Please do not ring on the door bell before this time as staff are setting up for the club. Thank you.**

### **UNIFORM**

Uniform is available at [www.schooltrends.co.uk](http://www.schooltrends.co.uk). New book bags are also now available to purchase via the school trends website. We also have a uniform swap system which is available. Please speak to Mrs Dodd in the School Office.

**\*PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM ARE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME\***

### **\*STAY AND PLAY-DAY CHANGE\***

**Please note that Stay and Play will take place on a TUESDAY morning between 9.30-11.00am from next week (Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September).**

### **COVID-19**

The latest Government guidance and Risk Assessment is on our website.

If your child is off school awaiting results of a PCR test, please inform the School Office when you receive your test result.

### **DIARY DATES**

Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> September:	Y1-4 Sunshine Panners-Steel pan sessions (Children will stay at school for the afternoon-no Forest School on this day)
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September:	Y1-2 bring a teddy in for Art
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> September:	Y3-4 bring a teddy in for Art
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> September:	Friends from the Village- Class 3
W/C 11 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent meetings-more information to follow
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> October:	Last day of term
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October:	Teacher Day
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November:	Autumn 2 starts
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December:	Break up for Christmas
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2022:	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January:	Spring 1 starts

