



## **5<sup>th</sup> February 2016 Newsletter**

### **PTA meeting**

Thank you to all parents who came to the AGM in school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February. The following committee members were re-elected:

Treasurer – Gwyn Stephenson

Secretary – Liane Atkin

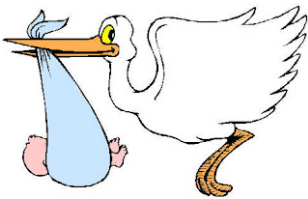
Chair – Louise Armatage

### **Tempest Photography**

Tempest Photography visited school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February. If you would like to purchase the photographs, please return the envelope with payment to school by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February.

### **Safer Internet Day**

A reminder that this will be held at Newbrough Primary on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February from 3.15pm. Everyone is welcome and there will be a free after school club with pancakes.



### **Staffing update**

As you know, Miss Osborne is expecting her second child after Easter and will begin her maternity leave at the start of the Summer term. We are delighted that Mrs Long has agreed to teach Class 2 on Friday mornings. Mrs Jones will continue teaching Computing on Friday afternoons and Mrs Carney will teach all day on Fridays.

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

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)



### **Breakfast Club**

I am delighted to announce that children in receipt of Pupil Premium funding will be entitled to free provision at Breakfast Club. This includes a nutritious breakfast and time spent reading or playing educational games before school. Please see Mrs Newson in confidence if you think your child is eligible for Pupil Premium funding. From 1<sup>st</sup> February 2016 we are changing the account into which parental contributions will be paid. Please make any future cheques for Breakfast Club payable to **Northumberland County Council**. Thank you.

### **Lent Club**

This begins next Thursday and will be run by Judith Sadler and Louise Armatage. We have had replies from 7 children so far. It would be great to see a few more children there. Why not come along and try the first one to see if you like it?

### Pub Quiz

The next pub quiz in aid of Humshaugh First School will be held at The Crown Inn on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February at 8pm. We would be most grateful if you could provide a raffle prize and send it into school by Thursday next week. Everyone is welcome; it would be lovely to have some teams from school at the quiz.

### Mother's Day

The Friends of Humshaugh First School will be holding a Mother's Day stall in school on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March. Children will be able to make a card and gift for their mum or other significant female (grannie, grandma or nan) to take home after school that day.

### Other dates for your diary.

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

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February:** Shrove Tuesday event – unfortunately there are not enough children able to attend, so school will not take part in this. Refreshments 7pm, entertainment 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.

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February:** Parents' consultations.

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March:** Whole school trip to Bamburgh.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March:** Tynedale Music Festival. Details to follow.

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March:** Oddsocks day to raise money for ECCDS (Education Centre for children with Down Syndrome).

Kind regards,  
Cath Newson (Headteacher)

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Dear God,

Thank you for all the wonderful things you give to us;

for the creatures and plants.

Amen



By Holly, Year 4

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