



16th October 2015 Newsletter

Harvest Festival

The school Harvest Service was held in school on Thursday 1st October at 9.15am. The children sang with great enthusiasm as usual and we very much enjoyed the audience participation during 'Big Red Combine Harvester'. Thank you to all children and parents who made a box for our Harvest display. Children distributed boxes around the village and we have received several letters and cards of thanks from residents.

Pinpoint Adventure Day

Children had a wonderful day with Ian Hopper last Thursday, making flour and toasting homemade bread and marshmallows. Thanks to Carol, Sue and Jane for helping on the day.



Magic Lantern

Children were visited on Wednesday by Magic Lantern who put a different slant on the learning about Australia. Quotes from children include:

It was interesting and fantastic because I learnt a lot about Australia.

Kayla

I thought it was exciting and I learnt what people left behind when they went to live in Australia.

Tess

Erm, it was great! There were lots of pictures (at least five). I like the beach picture best.

Bayleigh

Lunch Money

Mrs Rowcroft has asked me to remind you that all money should be sent to the office on Monday morning in a named and sealed envelope, with details on the front of the payments enclosed. If you could send the correct money or a cheque that would be appreciated. Thank you.

Supporting your child's reading

Thank you to Mrs Blythe and all parents who attended the reading meeting on Thursday 8th October at 9am. An additional meeting will be held on Monday 16th November at 3.05pm for those parents who were unable to attend last week. It is open to parents of children in Reception and Year 1.

Breakfast Club

Mrs Phillips continues to run Breakfast Club at a cost of £4 per child per session, which includes one hour supervision and a healthy breakfast. Siblings will receive a 50% discount.

Swimming

Pupils will start swimming again on a Thursday morning after half term. Due to rising costs of lessons and transport, the price per lesson will increase to £3. They will swim for 7 weeks in total. Please make cheques for £21 payable to Northumberland County Council. Girls should wear a one piece swimming costume and tie back long hair in a bobble or cap. It would be really helpful if girls could not wear tights on swimming days, especially children in Class 1 who may still need some help to dress after the lesson. Boys should wear tight swimming style trunks please. Thank you for your co-operation. If you have any further questions, please ask Mrs Blythe or Mrs Long.

Bonfire Night

Please remember to attend the bonfire and fireworks display on the playing field from 6.30pm. School will be open for refreshments. Everyone is welcome.

Christmas Market

This will take place on **Saturday 7th November 11am-1.30 pm** in Humshaugh Village Hall. Traders include Mr Wolf, The Northumbrian Sausage Company, Arkles Bakery, Noisette Catering, Usborne books, Phoenix cards, Forever Living and many more. We will need some helpers to serve in the coffee shop and bake cakes to raise money to treat the children to a Christmas theatre trip. Please speak to Louise Armatage if you can spare an hour of your time. There will be a raffle on the day so if parents can donate a prize and drop it into school it would be most appreciated. Thank you.

Other dates for your diary.

Tuesday 20th October: Parents' consultations, 2-6pm.

Thursday 22nd October: Pupils break up for half term.

Friday 23rd October: INSET day for staff.

Monday 2nd November: Pupils return for second half of Autumn term.

Tuesday 1st December: Advent soup and sing-a-long, 1.30-2.30pm.

Thursday 10th December: Christingle Carol Service at St Peter's Church, Humshaugh, 2-3pm.

Kind regards,
Cath Newson (Headteacher)



People, who share a common direction and sense of community, can reach a goal more quickly and easily because they are travelling on the thrust of one another. It is harder to do something alone than together. It is beneficial to take turns doing demanding work. By sharing leadership and depending upon others in a group, there is a chance to lead and an opportunity to rest.
