



20th June 2014 Newsletter

Dear parents,

It is lovely to see the photograph in the Courant with the children in the Playing Fields area.

Safeguarding

At the Playing Fields Committee meeting on Tuesday 17th June the following issues were raised:

- The new perimeter gate to be aesthetically sympathetic to the character of the village;
- Could parents and staff please park to the South of the gates to the play area (nearer to Chollerford) to allow easy access between school and the play area.

Staffing update

I am delighted to announce that the governors appointed Liz Osborne to teach at Humshaugh from September 2014. Miss Osborne will teach on Thursday afternoons and all day Friday. She is currently working at Seven Stories in Newcastle and is very keen to develop the outdoor learning environment and engage children in creative learning.

Leavers Service at Newcastle Cathedral

Seven children were accompanied by Mrs Blythe, Mrs Steele and Canon Thompson on Wednesday. Ellen, James, Violet and Max proudly carried the banner in the opening procession and the quality of singing was excellent. Mrs Steel and Canon Thompson were mentioned for their contribution to the school.

Friends news

Our final fundraising activity for this school year will be held Sunday 13th July in school yard and playing field from 3-5pm. There will be a BBQ by the Northumbrian Sausage Company, lots of games and activities, refreshments and of course a fab raffle to draw.

At 5pm a fancy dress wheelbarrow race will start from school, pit stop at village hall and finish at The Crown Inn. The first team home will win a prize (any enquiries please see Louise Armatage) about the race.

We are looking for tombola prizes and prizes for children. Most importantly, we need help by your support on the day by coming along and having some fun with family and friends or helping out for an hour.

This year has been a huge success in raising funds for our school and pre-school and this is thanks to you!

We are very close to be able to purchase some equipment for school so fingers crossed for good weather on the 13th July.

Newbrough First School Summer Fair

This will be held on Sunday 22nd June from 12-2pm. There will be a range of activities for children (fire engine, pony rides, face painting) as well as the usual stalls. Children and families from Humshaugh are warmly welcome. We will, of course, be advertising the Humshaugh BBQ/wheelbarrow race at Newbrough.

School meals

Thank you to everyone who has returned their orders for school meals. These have been pre-ordered meals will start on Monday 23rd June for two weeks. The cost will be £2 per day. Please make cheques payable to Northumberland County Council for the week ahead. Dinner money should be sent into school on a Monday, please.

Other dates for your diary

Thursday 26th June: Meeting for parents of new starters. Details to follow from Mrs Blythe.

Friday 27th June: Rounders afternoon for pupils transferring to Hexham Middle School in September. 1.30pm.

Wednesday 2nd July: Hansel and Gretel performances at 9.15am and 6.30pm.

Rising 5's afternoon.

Friday 4th July: Top Links Sports Festival for Year 2, 3 and 4 pupils with QEHS. Details to follow.

Tuesday 8th July: Transfer day for pupils moving to Hexham Middle School.

Wednesday 9th July: Sports Day 9.15am.

Rising 5's afternoon.

Thursday 10th July: Leavers Service at 9.15am in school.

Sunday 13th July: Family Fun Event and BBQ, 3pm.

Monday 14th - Wednesday 16th July: Broomley Grange residential for Year 4 pupils.

Wednesday 16th July: Rising 5's afternoon.

Friday 18th July: Break up for Summer holiday.

Kind regards,

Cath Newson (Headteacher)

Mahatma Gandhi "The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong."