



Friday 5th September 2025 (5 Pages)

What a fabulous first week back. The children have embraced their new classes and there is a really positive buzz around school. Well done to everyone for making such a fabulous start to the new year.

WELCOME

A huge welcome to our new starters in Reception-Rory, Hamish and Freddie. Also joining us are Imogen, Otilie, Jack and Austin in Nursery, Arte in Year 1, Eddie in Year 2 and Mia and Lysander in Year 4.

ATTENDANCE

Well done -this week, everyone is in the **green!**

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE %</u>
RECEPTION	100%
YEAR 1	98%
YEAR 2	100%
YEAR 3	100%
YEAR 4	99%

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to our Superstars Charlie J and Alfie; our Handwriting Heroes Bridie, Spencer, Charlotte and Andrej. Congratulations also to Esme and Olivia for receiving the Kindness Award, Hamish for the Helping Hand Award and both Billie and Ella for receiving the Perseverance Award. Well done to our Maths Whizzes Robert and Mia. All children were given a special sticker and a duck to sit on their desk for the week.



READING BEARS

Tuffy and Elvis had a very relaxing holiday and are delighted to be going home with Eliza and Elijah this weekend!



SCHOOL DAY

Just a reminder that the school day **begins at 8.45am and ends at 3.15pm.**

Breakfast Club will run every day between **8.00-8.45am.**

After School Clubs will run between **3.15pm-4.30pm Monday to Thursday only.**

Wraparound Club will run between **3.15-6.00pm Monday to Thursday only.**

GOOGLE FORMS AND DATA SHEETS

Thank you to everyone who has completed the Google forms and returned the Data sheets. If you haven't already, please complete the forms by the end of today and ensure the Data sheet is returned to school as soon as possible.

WRAPAROUND CARE

As previously mentioned, to ensure that we can continue to provide staffing for our clubs, we have increased the cost from September 2025 as follows:

Club	Current Price	New Price from September 2025
Breakfast club	£3	£3.50
Breakfast club sibling discount	£1.50	£1.75
After School club (3.15 - 4.30pm)	£2	£2
Wraparound club (3.15 - 4.30pm)	£2	£2
Wraparound club (4.30 - 6pm)	£2	£4

We will continue to review our costs on a termly basis. At the moment, we are significantly cheaper than most other local schools.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

IF YOUR CHILD IS ATTENDING AN AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB, PLEASE PROVIDE A HEALTHY SNACK FOR THEM TO EAT AT 3.15pm.

Sports club starts on:	Monday 8 th September	3.15pm-4.30pm (PE Kit)
Dance club starts on:	Tuesday 9 th September	3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)
Football club start on:	Wednesday 10 th September	3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)
Zumba Dance club starts on:	Thursday 18 th September	3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR CHILD/REN PROMPTLY AT THE FRONT DOOR at 4.30pm

PE KITS

Please ensure children have their PE kits in school on **Monday 8th September**.

We will be doing PE outside in the Autumn term (weather permitting), so please make sure your child has a suitable PE kit in school and trainers that he/she can fasten independently.

Due to limited space, please ensure bags are the drawstring type rather than large rucksacks.

SWIMMING

The children in **Years 1, 2, 3 and 4** will be swimming from **Wednesday 10th September** every week, until the end of the academic year. The consent letter and information has been sent out via Google forms and payment for £3.50 per session will be set up on Parent Pay.

FOREST SCHOOL

The children in Class 3 will visit the wood for the first part of the term and Class 2 later on in the term. There may be times that different classes will use the woods for Science activities but we will inform you if wellies etc are required as and when. On a Friday, please ensure your child/ren comes to school in practical trousers or leggings as well as their usual white polo shirt and red jumper. More information about which days the classes are going to the woods will follow.



FACEBOOK

Please follow this link to join our private Facebook Page. We use this for important information and updates. It is for parents of school children only.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1564281494324194/>



THE FRIENDS (PTA)

Thank you so much to The Friends who funded our amazing end of year Fun Day in July and who have also provided all our new starters with a book bag-we really appreciate all the hard work that they do to ensure that our children have lots of super opportunities.

Fundraising Events!

We have two exciting events coming up and would love your support!

Humshaugh Harvest Show – Saturday 13th September at the Village Hall

We'll be running our Toy Tombola and are looking for good-quality second-hand toys and books. We also need volunteers on the day to help run the stall.

Pub Quiz – Tuesday 16th September at The Crown

The quiz is being held in aid of our school! We're in need of prizes including 4 bottles of wine, 4 boxes of chocolates, 1 sharing box of chocolate, plus 8 raffle prizes.

Donations can be dropped at the school office, and if you can spare some time to help at either event, please let us know, we'd be really grateful.

FLU IMMUNISATION-Whole School

The following date has been planned for our school **3/12/25**

Parents will be provided with a link to complete the required form nearer to the time.

ILLNESS

We understand that parents may be wary of sending children into school who are displaying cold/flu like symptoms. Please ring school if you need support to make a decision about whether your child should attend. In the coming months, coughs and snotty noses will be a regular occurrence. We would prefer that your child have a dose of paracetamol and come into school unless they have a high temperature. If staff are concerned that a child is unwell in school, parents will be contacted for the child to be collected.

HEALTHY SNACK

The School Free Fruit Scheme will resume for children in Reception and Year 1 and 2 only. If you are able, please provide a **healthy snack** for your child to eat during morning playtime **if they are not in Reception, Year 1 or 2**.

HARVEST SHOE BOXES

We are planning on delivering Harvest gift boxes as usual to our Friends from the Village. The boxes will be decorated in school; however, we need at least 20 boxes with lids. If you have spare/unused adult sized shoe boxes with removable lids then please send them into school as soon as you can.

HARVEST SHOW-HUMSHAUGH VILLAGE HALL

The Humshaugh Harvest Show will take place on **Saturday 13th September**. All children have been entered into the Handwriting competition which they have completed in school.

UNIFORM

All children are expected to wear full school uniform as outlined in the school brochure (see website). Uniform with the logo is available at www.schooltrends.co.uk. **However, logos are not compulsory and plain red sweatshirts/cardigans are available at local supermarkets.**

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

BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

This group will resume on **Tuesday 9th September** from 9.30-11.00am-please spread the word-everyone is welcome from all surrounding areas.

HEADTEACHER UPDATE/COMMUNICATION

Please look out for my weekly newsletter which includes updates, news, diary dates and photographs. We will hold Parent Consultations towards the end of the first half term. Letters will be sent out soon. If you need to speak to your child's class teacher, please either send them an email directly or ring the school office and they will aim to return your call as soon as possible.

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For queries regarding Parent Pay, Nursery funding or sessions, Clubs, Milk, Breakfast Club, Wraparound Club and School Lunches, please email our Office Manager Mrs Clark.
email: admin@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk

DIARY DATES

Monday 8th September:	PE and Sports Club
Tuesday 9th September:	Dance Club starts
Wednesday 10th September:	Swimming starts (Y1-4) Football starts
Saturday 13 th September:	Harvest Show-Village Hall
Tuesday 16th September:	Class 3 trip to Jarrow Hall (more info to follow) The Friends Pub Quiz-The Crown, Humshaugh-everyone welcome!
Thursday 18th September:	Zumba starts
Friday 26 th September:	Y3/4 Bikeability
Thursday 2 nd October:	Friends from the Village (Class 3)
W/C Monday 6 th October:	Parent meetings-letter will be sent out next week
Sunday 12 th October:	Family Friendly Harvest Festival-St. Peter's Church-everyone welcome!
Wednesday 22 nd October:	Y1-4 trip to Hexham Abbey-Gaia Exhibition (more info to follow)
Thursday 23 rd October:	Last day of Autumn 1
Friday 24th October:	Teacher Day
Monday 3 rd November:	Autumn 2 starts (All clubs resume)
Friday 19 th December:	Last day of Autumn 2-Christmas break
Monday 5 th January:	Spring 1 starts (All clubs resume)