

Wednesday 20th August 2025 (5 Pages)

I hope you are enjoying your holidays. In advance of the start of the school term on Tuesday 2nd September, please find below some useful information.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will respond as soon as possible.

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.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club will start on <u>Tuesday 2nd September</u> and is available every morning from **8.00-8.45am**. Please contact Mrs Clark in the office if you have not already indicated that your child will require a place.

WRAPAROUND CARE

We are delighted with how successful our Breakfast and After School provision was last year. We are currently receiving limited amount of government funding for Wraparound Provision which decreases significantly every term. As previously mentioned, to ensure that we can continue to provide staffing for our clubs, we will be increasing 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 8th September 3.15pm-4.30pm (PE Kit)
Dance club starts on: Tuesday 9th September 3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)
Football club start on: Wednesday 10th September 3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)
Zumba Dance club starts on: Thursday 18th September 3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)

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

GOOGLE FORMS

Mrs Clark will be sending out various consent forms via Google on the first day of term.

Please complete and submit your permission for the various activities by the **morning of Friday 5th September** so we can ensure our records are up to date and that all children have consent to participate.

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 <u>Wednesday 10th September</u> every week, until the end of the academic year. The consent letter and information will be 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.

SUNCREAM

Usually the weather at the start of term is hot and sunny. Please ensure your child has sun cream applied before school. If they require a top up, please send in a named bottle of sun cream, ideally in a clear plastic bag. Children are not to share their sun cream with other children. We will try to spend our playtimes outside whenever possible so please ensure you provide a hat or cap and a refillable water bottle.

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.

<u>ILLNESS</u>

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 <u>Reception and Year 1 and 2 only</u>. 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.**

SCHOOL TRANSPORT

Children who travel on the taxi will be escorted to the front door by the driver. A Breakfast club member of staff will be there to greet the children at whatever time they arrive and the children can join Breakfast club until school starts.

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 <u>removable lids</u> then please send them into school as soon as you can.

BIRTHDAY TREATS

Due to an increase in the number of pupils with dietary needs including allergies, we are requesting that parents DO NOT send birthday cakes OR sweets into 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 <u>Tuesday 9th September</u> from 9.30-11.00am-please spread the word-everyone is welcome from all surrounding areas.

PIANO LESSONS

For those children who have signed up to have piano lessons with Clair, they are due to resume on **Friday 5th September.**

HARVEST SHOW-HUMSHAUGH VILLAGE HALL

The Humshaugh Harvest Show will take place on <u>Saturday 13th September</u>. All children will be entered into the Handwriting competition which they will complete in school.

WEBSITE

Our new look website is currently being updated so it may be unavailable for a short time. I will let you know when it is up and running.

HEADTEACHER UPDATE/COMMUNICATION

I will send a weekly newsletter to parents with regular updates, news, diary dates and photographs. We will hold Parent Consultations towards the end of the first half term. Letters will be sent out in advance.

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.

Class 1 (Nursery/Reception) -Mrs Wilkinson

email: melanie.wilkinson@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk

Class 2 (Year 1 and 2)-Mrs Blythe

email: karen.blythe@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk

Class 3 (Year 3 and 4)-Mrs Long

email: jude.long@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk

For queries regarding Parent pay, Nursery funding or sessions, clubs, milk, Breakfast club and school dinner, please email our Office Manager Mrs Clark.

email: admin@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk

DIARY DATES

Monday 1st September: Teacher Day

Tuesday 2nd September: Autumn 1 starts (Breakfast Club/Wraparound resumes)

Friday 5th September: Piano lessons start for Clair's pupils

Monday 8th September: PE and Sports Club

Tuesday 9th September: Dance Club

Wednesday 10th September: Swimming starts (Y1-4)

Football starts

Saturday 13th September: Harvest Show-Village Hall

Tuesday 16th September: Class 3 trip to Jarrow Hall (more info to follow)

Thursday 18th September: Zumba starts

Tuesday 25th September: Y3/4 Bikeability

Thursday 2nd October: Friends from the Village (Class 3)

W/C Monday 6th October: Parent meetings

Wednesday 22nd October: Y1-4 trip to Hexham Abbey-Gaia Exhibition (more info to follow)

Thursday 23rd October: Last day of Autumn 1

Friday 24th October: Teacher Day

Monday 3rd November: Autumn 2 starts (All clubs resume)

Friday 19th December: Last day of Autumn 2-Christmas break

Monday 5th January: Spring 1 starts (All clubs resume)