



## **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026 (4 Pages)**

We welcome Mrs Fi White to the staffing team this term. Mrs White will be covering Mrs Gill's Maternity Leave which will start in the next few weeks. Mrs White is really looking forward to working with the children in Class 1 and 2 over the next few months.

A warm welcome also to Levi and Savannah who have moved to Humshaugh recently. They have had a great first week settling in and all the children have been really supportive.

Finally, thank you so much to a number of parents who made some incredibly kind and positive comments on a Hexham Matters post recently. We really appreciate your support and are very proud of Humshaugh First School and all our amazing pupils.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Unfortunately, the bugs are still about -well done to all year groups in the green!

<b><u>YEAR</u></b>	<b><u>ATTENDANCE %</u></b>
<b>RECEPTION</b>	<b>93%</b>
<b>YEAR 1</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>YEAR 2</b>	<b>96%</b>
<b>YEAR 3</b>	<b>77%</b>
<b>YEAR 4</b>	<b>95%</b>

### **AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

Well done to our Superstars Spencer and Levi; our Handwriting Heroes Charlie J, Billie, Andrej and Alfie. Congratulations also to Alice for the Helping Hand Award and both Ava and Esme for the Kindness award. Well done to Willow and Isla for receiving the Perseverance Award. Well done to our Maths Whizzes Eliza and Harry B. Congratulations also to our PE stars Logan and Laurie. All children were given a special sticker and a duck to sit on their desk for the week.





## **READING BEARS**

Tuffy and Elvis are very happy to be going home with Xander and Thomas this weekend.



Elvis had a cosy read with Jenny at the weekend!



## **CELEBRATING EXTRA CURRICULAR PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS**

A massive congratulations to Jenny. Not only did she have a second haircut to donate her hair for The Little Princess Trust, she also has been raising funds. She has raised an incredible **£1036** so far for the Little Princess Trust.

If anyone would like to donate to this amazing cause then please follow the link below.  
<https://fundraise.littleprincesses.org.uk/fundraising/jennys-fundraising-page622>

Jenny-we are really proud of you and your efforts will make so much difference to children who need to access the Little Princess Trust.



Please let Mrs Long know if your child/ren take part in extra-curricular clubs and activities and achieve awards or prizes. We love to celebrate and share their efforts and successes.

### **PE KITS**

The children are doing Gymnastics this half term so please ensure Y1-4 have their PE kits on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January** and subsequent Mondays and Class 1 on Fridays.

### **'BE YOU' PADLET**

This link takes you to the 'Be You' Family zone which has some really interesting and useful resources for parents and families.

<https://padlet.com/nies1/be-you-family-zone-8jbhdyus7shqhdt2>

### **UNIFORM**

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

### **SNOW COMMS**

If snow is forecast, please check Facebook and emails regularly for information regarding closure due to bad weather. We always try our very best to ensure that school remains open but with staff travelling from various areas, we need to make sure that there are enough members of staff on site to maintain the children's safety.

In the event of a closure, a message will be sent via Facebook and email. You will also receive a phone call from an allocated member of staff. If you are yet to join our private Facebook page, please consider doing so as we do regularly post reminders and important information.

### **SCHOOL COMMUNICATION**

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](mailto:melanie.wilkinson@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk)

**Class 2 (Year 1 and 2)-Mrs Blythe**

email: [karen.blythe@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk](mailto:karen.blythe@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk)

**Class 3 (Year 3 and 4)-Mrs Long**

email: [jude.long@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk](mailto:jude.long@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk)

**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](mailto:admin@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk)

**DIARY DATES**

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January: Class 3 Viking Experience (In school)

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February: Y1-4 trip to the Sikh Gurudwara-more information to follow

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February: Be You-Self Esteem (Whole school)

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February: Last day of Spring 1

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February: Teacher Day

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February: Spring 2 starts (All clubs and swimming resume)

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February: Friends from the Village – Class 3