



Friday 9th October (8 Pages)

ATTENDANCE

Hooray- everyone is in the **green!**

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE %</u>
RECEPTION	100%
YEAR 1	100%
YEAR 2	100%
YEAR 3	100%
YEAR 4	97%



AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to our Superstars Hamish and Charlie H and our Writing Heroes Robert and Charlotte. Congratulations also to Thomas for the Helping Hand Award, Florrie for the Kindness Award and Freddie and Joey for receiving the Perseverance Award. Well done to our Maths Whizzes Bridie and Spencer. Congratulations also to our PE stars Charlie J and Hugo A and Mollie for receiving the Science award. Well done to Hugo H for receiving the special Roman Centurion duck for excellent problem solving. The children were given a special sticker and a duck to sit on their desk for the week.





READING BEARS

Tuffy and Elvis are really looking forward to going home with Ella and Artie this weekend!



You are very welcome to send Mrs Long a photograph of your child reading with Tuffy or Elvis but please do not feel under any obligation!

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council representatives had their first working lunch with Mrs White this week. They discussed the suggestions that pupils had made and ways to raise money for Children in Need. They also talked about Harvest donations which this year will be donated to the West Northumberland Food Bank. The children presented their ideas to Y1-4 today in Collective Worship and organised a secret ballot vote to decide on fundraising ideas. Results will be shared next week.



HARVEST DONATIONS-for West Northumberland Foodbank.

Collection boxes will be outside from Monday. Donations of tins, pasta, soup, biscuits or treats would be very welcome if you can. *Please do not send in fresh, perishable goods.* The School Council team will take the food up to the church which is a collection point after our Harvest service on Friday.



OPEN AFTERNOON

Know anyone who is thinking about school for next September? Please spread the word.

Drop in for a quick tour and see our wonderful school in action.

Friday 16th October between 1.30pm – 3.00pm

The admissions portal to apply for Reception Places for September 2027 opens 1st November 2026 - 15th January 2027.

Spaces also available in Nursery for 2, 3 & 4-year olds

Please get in touch with any questions: admin@humshaugh.northumberland.sch.uk

<https://youtu.be/OrJh2Uuk5M?feature=shared>



FRIENDS FROM THE VILLAGE

We would really love to invite grandparents of our pupils to join us for these sessions.

The first one is on **Thursday 15th October at 9.00am with the children from Class 3**-refreshments are provided.

If you are able to attend, please let either Mrs Long know via email or email Liz Campbell, our co-ordinator at lizeac@hotmail.co.uk-we hope to see you there!



CHILDREN IN NEED-FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER

Children are welcome to come to school wearing spots, stripes or colourful home clothes.

Please donate if you can via ParentPay-we will share a link closer to the time.

SCHOOL DAY REMINDERS

BREAKFAST CLUB - every day between 8.00-8.45am.

WRAPAROUND CLUB -Monday to Thursday only between 3.15-6.00pm

We have tight ratios and capacity for Wraparound club. We try to be as flexible as possible.

IF YOU REQUEST A PLACE FOR YOUR CHILD BUT NO LONGER REQUIRE IT PLEASE INFORM MRS CLARK SO WE CAN OFFER THE PLACE TO SOMEONE ELSE IF THEY NEED IT.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Sports club: Monday-3.15pm-4.30pm (PE Kit)

PLACES AVAILABLE

Dance club: Tuesday-3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)

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Zumba club: Thursday-3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)

FULL-WAITING LIST

**PLEASE COLLECT YOUR CHILD/REN PROMPTLY AT THE FRONT DOOR at 4.30pm
PERSISTENT LATECOMERS WILL BE CHARGED THE FULL WRAPAROUND RATE**



CELEBRATING EXTRA CURRICULAR PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

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

PARENT MEETINGS

It was really great to meet with so many parents this week. We are delighted that the children have settled in so well to the new school year. The vibe around school is so positive with lots of fun learning and of course lots of all-important playing with friends. Please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher if you have any queries or concerns.

ILLNESS

<https://ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/2026/08/28/a-guide-to-keeping-kids-healthy-this-school-year-for-parents-and-carers/>

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. **Please note the guidelines for children with diarrhoea and vomiting state that they should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).**

HEALTHY SNACK

The School Free Fruit Scheme is only available for children in **Nursery, Reception and Year 1 and 2** (FOR MORNING PLAYTIME ONLY).

If you are able, please provide a **healthy snack** for your child to eat during morning playtime **if they are in Year 3 or 4.**

NATIONAL COLLEGE PARENT GUIDES

<https://nationalcollege.com/pages/wake-up-wednesday>

The National College website has an amazing selection of Parent Guides for Online Safety, Mental Health and more. It is free to sign up and contains some very useful information.

HEADTEACHER UPDATE/COMMUNICATION

Mrs Long sends a weekly newsletter to parents with regular updates, news, diary dates and photographs.

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

***PLEASE NOTE THAT MRS CLARK IS NOT IN THE OFFICE ON A FRIDAY SO PLEASE ONLY EMAIL THE ADMIN ADDRESS SO THAT MRS LONG CAN ACCESS MESSAGES.**

***IF YOU RING THE SCHOOL OFFICE PLEASE ENSURE YOU LEAVE A MESSAGE AS THIS ALSO IS SENT AS AN EMAIL TO THE ADMIN ADDRESS.**

DIARY DATES

Thursday 15 th October:	Friends from the Village-Class 3
Friday 16 th October:	Harvest Festival (in school-staff and pupils) Open afternoon for prospective parents September 2027
Tuesday 20 th October:	Be You-Emotional Regulation (Sessions for all classes)
Thursday 22 nd October:	Last day of Autumn 1
Friday 23 rd October:	Teacher Day
Monday 2 nd November:	Autumn 2 starts
Friday 13 th November:	Children in Need-wear spots, stripes or colour to school
Tuesday 17 th November:	Be You-Friendship (Sessions for all classes)
Thursday 3 rd December:	Friends from the Village-Class 2
Thursday 10 th December:	Class 1 (N/R) Christmas Wiggly Nativity-9.30am
Monday 14 th December:	Y1-4 Theatre Trip-A Christmas Carol-Queens Hall 1.00pm
Wednesday 16th December:	Y1-4 Christmas perf-9.15am/2.30pm (NO SWIMMING)
Thursday 17 th December:	N/R Theatre Trip-The Snow Globe-Queens Hall 10.30am Christmas Party-afternoon (children to wear home clothes)
Friday 18 th December:	Last day of Autumn 2 -school closes at 1.00pm
Monday 4 th January 2027:	Spring 1 starts
Tuesday 19 th January:	Be You-Self Esteem (Sessions for all classes)
Friday 12 th February:	Last day of Spring 1
Monday 22 nd February:	Spring 2 starts
Thursday 25 th March:	Last day of Spring 2
Friday 26 th March:	Good Friday-Bank Holiday-school closed
Monday 12 th April:	Summer 1 starts
Monday 19 th April:	Be You-Resilience (Sessions for all classes)
Friday 23 rd April:	Bikeability (Y3/4)
Monday 3 rd May:	Bank Holiday-school closed
Friday 28 th May:	Last day of Summer 1
Monday 7 th June:	Summer 2 starts
Monday 28 th June:	Be You-Transition -Session1 (Y4 only)
Thursday 8 th July:	Be You-Transition – Session 2 (Y4 only)
Friday 16 th July:	Last day of Summer 1-break up for the summer holidays

WANT TO PLAY BASKETBALL?



SCAN TO FIND OUT
WHERE TO PLAY



FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION AND GET A FREE TASTER SESSION
NEWCASTLE-EAGLES.COM/WHERETOPLAY

WHERE TO PLAY BASKETBALL IN NORTHUMBERLAND



CRAMLINGTON VIKINGS MORPETH BASKETBALL CLUB PONTELAND PANTHERS



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The Toby Henderson Trust

When Sleep is Hard Understanding Sleep Difficulties in Autism

Thursday 15th October 10am-11.30am

This is a fully funded webinar via Zoom for parents/carers of children or young adults with autism and/or learning disability (or young person on diagnostic pathway).

The session will be presented by Judith Hedley our Autism Nurse Practitioner /Sleep Counsellor. This is an opportunity to understand sleep and what impacts on lack of sleep for autistic people.

It will cover...

- ☆ What is sleep
- ☆ How much sleep should different aged children get
- ☆ What effects sleep
- ☆ How do we improve sleep.



Book your place

To register for this event please complete an online booking form via our website: www.ttth.co.uk. Alternatively you can book a place by emailing admin@ttth.co.uk or by calling us on 0300 365 3055.

Northumberland Family Hubs

What's On this half term holiday - October 2026

FREE

Prudhoe Family Hub

Monday 26th Oct

SEND Safe Space
(All ages, additional needs and disabilities)
10am-12pm

Tuesday 27th Oct

Baby Stay and Play
(ages 0-12 months)
10-11am

Wednesday 28th Oct

SEND Safe Space
(All ages, additional needs and disabilities)
9:30-10:30am

Thursday 29th Oct

Halloween Stay & Play
(All ages)
10-11.30am

Friday 30th Oct

Messy Stay & Play with Halloween Theme
(0-5 years)
2-3pm

Prudhoe Family Hub
Broomhouse Lane, Prudhoe
NE42 5FT
01661 839350

Haltwhistle Family Hub

Monday 26th Oct

Baby Stay and Play
(ages 0-12 months)
10-11am

Halloween Stay & Play
(All ages)
1:30-3pm

At Haydon Bridge Community Centre,
Ratcliffe Road, Haydon Bridge, NE47 6ET

Tuesday 27th Oct

SEND Safe Space
(All ages, additional needs and disabilities)
9:30-11.30am

Wednesday 28th Oct

Fussy Eating Workshop
(0-5 years)
10-11.30am
(Book Your Place)

Friday 30th Oct

Halloween Stay & Play
(All ages)
10-11.30am

Haltwhistle Family Hub
Park Avenue, Haltwhistle
NE49 9BA
01434321761

Hexham Family Hub

Tuesday 26th Oct

SEND Safe Space
(All ages, additional needs and disabilities)
9:30-11.30am

Toilet Training Workshop
(0-5 years)
1-2.30pm
(Book Your Place)

Wednesday 27th Oct

Halloween Stay and Play
(All ages)
9:30-11am

Thursday 29th Oct

SEND Safe Space
(All ages, additional needs and disabilities)
10am-12pm

Story Stay & Play with Halloween Theme
(0-5 years)
2:30-3:30pm

Hexham Family Hub
Beaufort Ave, Hexham
NE46 1JD
01434601698

Bellingham Family Hub

Tuesday 27th Oct

Stay and Play
(0-5 years)
2-3pm

Bellingham Fire Station
Pennine Way,
Bellingham NE48 2JW

01661839350



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Supporting parents and
children to learn together

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IN LIFE

UK Government

Family Hubs
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Northumberland
County Council

Please get in touch for
more information about
our groups, sessions &
digital offer



Sign up for
a group or
session



Online
What's
On Guide

Parent Support & Skills

Workshops and discussions helping parents and carers strengthen relationships and support their children's wellbeing.

Togetherness

Free digital programme providing tools to support parents/carers & young people at each developmental stage
togetherness.co.uk access code - HADRIAN

Sleep Workshop

Support & guidance available from trained sleep awareness practitioners

Dad Pad

The essential guide for new dads developed with the NHS

Dad Talk

Online workshop for dads, during pregnancy and beyond

Healthy Relationships

Support to reduce conflict and improve everyone's lives

Young Peoples Sessions for young people at the family hub offer

Family Chill Out

An after school drop in for all of the family to come along, get homework completed, stay and play for a while and enjoy fun activities and games. For children aged 5-11 and their families. Younger siblings welcome

Additional Needs &/or Disabilities

Supportive sessions for children and young people with additional needs, and their families, to connect, relax, and share experiences.

Empowering Parents & Carers Programme

Supportive wellbeing course for parents/carers of children with additional needs and/or disabilities

SEND Family Chill Out

Regular relaxed after school sessions for all of the family. Parents/Carers are required to stay for the session

Calm Stay & Play

Quieter sessions, with no booking required

Early Learning & Play

Fun and engaging sessions helping you support your children's learning and development through everyday activities.

Brilliant Babies

Specially designed supportive groups for families with young babies

Terrific Toddlers

Meet other families with toddlers at these social sessions with topical themes

Early Communicators

For children between 15-36 months who are experiencing some difficulties with their understanding and/or use of language

Stay & Play

Regular fun sessions, with no booking required

Birth Registrations

To register your baby and obtain their birth certificate, book via Birth Registration on the Northumberland County Council website or call on 0345 600 6400

Baby Support & Early Parenting

Friendly sessions for new and expectant parents to connect, learn, and explore their baby's growth and development together.

Building a Brain

A bitesize online workshop exploring brain development

Bumps to Babies

Antenatal workshops to prepare for babies arrival, mums, dads, partners and grandparents are welcomed.

Feeding Friends

NHS partner support with breastfeeding and more

Understanding Childrens Behaviour Workshop

Advice on how a child's developmental stage influences behaviour and to recognise how adults can help children regulate their own behaviour

Weaning Workshop

A guide to starting solid foods with your little one

Toilet Training Workshop

Practical advice for parents and carers beginning the toilet training journey

Wellbeing Service

Tailored support for Mums or Dads living in Northumberland who are expecting a baby or have a child under 2 years of age.

**Booking
essential**

October half term at Stony Pasture



Monday 26th October
10:30-12:30

£10

**Animal meet & greet with
pumpkins & crafts**



Recommended age 0 - 11

Thursday 29th October
09:30-12:00

£17.50

Young Alpaca Farmer
(drop off only)

Animal feeding, crafts, play

Recommended age 4 - 11

Thursday 29th October
14:00-16:30

£17.50

Older Alpaca Farmer

Farm jobs, animal feeding,
crafts, play

Recommended age 11 - 16

Email: stonypasture@gmail.com



**Booking
essential**

Christmas at Stony Pasture



Saturday 19th December

£20

10:30-12:00 Children with adult

13:00-15:00 Adult only (12+)

Wet felting with Eve

of Nature Felt Crafts

Each session will create two Christmas
themed scenes to take away



Sunday 20th Dec
10:30-12:30

£10

**Animal meet & greet plus
Christmas themed crafts &
snacks**



Recommended age 0 - 11

Email: stonypasture@gmail.com



