



Friday 13th October 2023 (4 pages)

ATTENDANCE

Well done to all year groups that are in the **green** this week!

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE %</u>
RECEPTION	94%
YEAR 1	93%
YEAR 2	98%
YEAR 3	96%
YEAR 4	100%

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to our Superstars Ella and Darcey; our Handwriting Heroes Laurie, Elijah, Isla W and Arthur. Congratulations also to Effie for receiving the Kindness Award and Harry H for the Helping Hand Award. Well done to our Maths Whizzes Jenny and Alex. Congratulations also to Hamish and Euan who received the PE/Sport awards as well as Isla C who received a Supastrikers award. All children were given a special sticker and an award to sit on their desk for the week.



For EYFS stars-please see Mrs Wilkinson's weekly update.

FRIENDS FROM THE VILLAGE



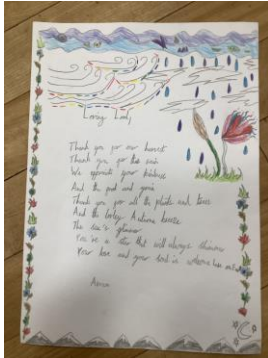
Class 3 hosted our first Friends from the Village of this academic year. They played board games, drew pictures, read and played bingo with our lovely visitors. We received many positive comments about how polite and kind the children were. The next Friends from the Village will be hosted by Class 2 on Thursday 30th November.



HARVEST SERVICE AND HARVEST BOXES

We had a lovely Harvest Service with staff and pupils on Monday morning. The service was pupil led by the children in Class 3. Special mention to Bella for being the main presenter and Annabelle, Darcey and Erin for reading and assisting. All children in Class 3 had a role and the whole school joined in with some super singing including our all-time favourite Big Red Combine Harvester.

After the service, the children in Class 2 and Class 3 delivered Harvest boxes around the village. Thank you so much for your generous donations, the residents of Humshaugh were thrilled with their boxes of treats.



CLASS 3 TRIP TO CENTRE FOR LIFE

The children in Class 3 had an absolutely amazing time at the Centre for Life on Thursday. This was the culmination of the KATS (Kids Action Through Science Project) and was completely funded by a grant for schools. The children explored all the different zones including the new WOW zone which was brilliant. They also went to the Planetarium, watched a science show and took part in an 'Electrifying' workshop. As always, the children were filled with enthusiasm and eager to learn. One of the defining moments of the visit was being able to drink out of a toilet! I promise it was a water fountain and quite safe!!!

Elle from the KATs project joined us on the trip and was full of praise for our children, saying that we are the best school she has worked with so far!!





SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Well done to Eliza, Bertie, Anna, Ada and Erin who all completed the Library Summer Reading Challenge. They each received a medal and certificate.



CHILDREN IN NEED

Children in Need is on **Friday 17th November**. Children are welcome to come to school in their own clothes-spots, stripes and bright colours welcome! There will be a small donation which Mrs Clark will set up on Parent Pay nearer to the time.

MIDDLE SCHOOL PLACES (YEAR 4)

It is now time for children in Year 4 to apply for the next phase of school starting in September 2024. The Portal opened 12th September 2023 and close at **midnight on 31st October 2023**.

If parents have any problems, please contact the team on 01670 624889. Here is the link for parents to apply on. They must register first and then they will get an email back which they then apply through. [https://schadm.northumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal LIVE/en](https://schadm.northumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en)

SWIMMING REMINDERS (Y2-4)

- Please ensure that your child brings a swimming costume or trunks (short – not long surf shorts), a towel and a pair of goggles.
- Children DO NOT need shampoo, conditioner, shower gel or talcum powder.
- **If you child wears earrings, it is advised that they are taken out during all sports including PE and Swimming. Members of staff are unable to assist with this so please either take them out before school or teach your child how to take out their own earrings.**

PE KITS

Please ensure children have their PE kits in school on **Monday 16th October**.

We are 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.

PE kits will be sent home each holiday to be washed and returned to school. Due to limited space, please ensure bags are the drawstring type rather than large rucksacks.

If your child will be attending Sports Club, they will go home in their PE kits which will need to be returned to school in time for the next lesson.

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

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

W/C 16 th October:	Parent meetings-times sent out last week-please check bookbags
Monday 16 th October:	Class 3 DT Food Technology (No PE)
Monday 23 rd October:	Class 2 DT Food Technology (No PE)
Wednesday 25 th October:	Y2-4 flying visit to see the 'Museum of the Moon' installation at Hexham Abbey (after swimming-letter to follow)
Thursday 26 th October:	Last day of Autumn 1 – Friends Halloween Tuck Shop
Friday 27 th October:	Teacher Day
Friday 3 rd November:	Playing Field Trust Fireworks
Monday 6 th November:	Autumn 2 starts (All clubs resume)
Friday 17 th November:	Children in Need-Wear spots, stripes or bright colours (optional)
Monday 20 th November:	Class 2 trip to Centre for Life (more info to follow)
Thursday 30 th November:	Friends from the Village -Class 2
Tuesday 12 th December:	Y1-4 Christmas performance 9.15am and 2.00pm
Friday 15 th December:	Class 1 (EYFS) Wriggly Nativity 9.30am
Monday 18 th December:	Y1-4 Christmas theatre trip-Snow White-Queens Hall, Hexham
Friday 22 nd December:	Last day of Autumn 2 EYFS Christmas theatre trip-Hey Diddle Diddle-Queens Hall, Hexham

SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.00PM

Monday 8 th January:	Spring 1 starts (All clubs and swimming resume this week)
Thursday 15 th February:	Last day of Spring 1
Friday 16 th February:	Teacher Day
Monday 26 th February:	Spring 2 starts
Thursday 28 th March:	Break up for Easter (Good Friday is on Friday 29 th March)
Monday 15 th April:	Summer 1 starts
Monday 6 th May:	Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May:	Last day of Summer 1

