

Friday 6th September 2024 (5 Pages)

We have had a fabulous first few days back. The children have been so enthusiastic and are really enjoying their new year groups and classrooms. This newsletter includes important information about routines and dates so please ensure you have a quick look.

NEW STARTERS

Well done to Thomas, Charlie J, Willow, Robert, Bridie, Eilidh and Logan who had a great first day in 'big school'. Welcome to Amelia and Oscar who are joining our Nursery cohort.



SCHOOL DAY

Just a reminder that the school day <u>begins at 8.45am and ends at 3.15pm</u>. Breakfast Club runs between <u>8.00-8.45am</u> After School Clubs will run between <u>3.15pm-4.30pm</u>.

LATECOMERS

Please ensure your child/ren arrive at school on time. Lateness will be monitored and if it is persistent then Mrs Long will ask parents to attend a meeting in school.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club is available every morning from **8.00-8.45am**. Please contact Mrs Clark in the office if and when you need a place.

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.

HEALTHY SNACK

The School Free Fruit Scheme has resumed for children in **Reception**, **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 in Nursery**, **Year 3 and 4**.

GOOGLE FORMS and DATA FORMS.

Mrs Clark sent out various consent forms via Google on Wednesday and a pack with Data forms to return to school.

Please complete and submit your permission for various activities by the **morning of Monday 9th September** so we can ensure our records are up to date and that all children have consent to participate.

Please check and return the Data forms to school as soon as possible.

PE KITS

Please ensure children have their PE kits in school on Monday 9th 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.

FOREST SCHOOL

There is **no need** to provide additional Forest School clothing or equipment this term. Where possible, we will ensure the children have Outdoor Learning on a Friday afternoon but this will not involve using the woods every week. 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.

SUNCREAM/COATS

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.

If the **weather is poor** and rain forecast, please ensure your child/ren bring a waterproof coat to school.

FLU IMMUNISATION-Whole School

The following date has been planned for our school **24/09/24** Parents should follow the link below to complete the required form <u>https://www.northumbriaimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu</u> The school code is: NB122295

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. There are regular handwashing and sanitising points through the day and tissues in every room. If staff are concerned that a child is unwell in school, parents will be contacted for the child to be collected.

SWIMMING

The children in **Years <u>1</u>, <u>2</u>, <u>3</u> and <u>4</u> will be swimming from <u>Wednesday 11th 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 will be set up on Parent Pay.**

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS-STARTING NEXT WEEK! IF YOUR CHILD IS ATTENDING AN AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB, PLEASE PROVIDE <u>A HEALTHY</u> SNACK FOR THEM TO EAT AT 3.15pm.

Sports club starts on:	Monday 9 th September	3.15pm-4.30pm (PE Kit)
Dance club starts on:	Tuesday 10 th September	3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)
Football/Yoga club start on:	Wednesday 11 th September	3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers for Football)
Zumba Dance club starts on:	Thursday 12 th September	3.15pm-4.30pm (Trainers)

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

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 removable lids. If you have spare/unused adult sized shoe boxes with removable lids 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 <u>www.schooltrends.co.uk</u>. However, logos <u>are not compulsory</u> 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

STAY AND PLAY

If you know of anyone who is interested in leading a weekly **Stay and Play** session, please contact Mrs Long to discuss a suitable day and time to use the school hall. All the resources are still stored in the hall and the shed. The leader just needs to meet and greet and send communication out via WhatsApp or Facebook.

HARVEST SHOW-HUMSHAUGH VILLAGE HALL

The Humshaugh Harvest Show will take place on **<u>Saturday 14th September</u>**. All children have been entered into the Handwriting competition which they completed in school.

COMMUNICATION

We will hold Parent Consultations towards the end of this half term. Letters will be sent out in the next few weeks.

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 9th September:	PE and Sports Club
Tuesday 10th September:	Dance Club
Wednesday 11th September	: Swimming starts (Y1-4)
	Football and Yoga Club
Thursday 12th September:	Zumba
Saturday 14 th September:	Harvest Show-Village Hall
Tuesday 17th September:	Class 3 trip to The Great North Museum (more info to follow)
Tuesday 24 th September:	Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 10th October:	Friends from the Village (Class 3)
Tuesday 15 th October:	Be You Emotional Regulation Assembly-Y1-4
Thursday 24th October:	Last day of Autumn 1
Friday 26th October:	Teacher Day
Monday 4th November:	Autumn 2 starts (All clubs resume)
Friday 20 th December:	Last day of Autumn 2-Christmas break
Monday 6 th January:	Spring 1 starts (All clubs resume)

HUMSHAUGH HARVEST FOOD & FLOWER SHOW 2024

Saturday 14th September - 12 - 4pm Humshaugh Village Hall CHILDREN'S COMPETITONS

Gingerbread Family (Max 6 people)

Decorated Rice Crispy Cakes - 4

Marvellous Muffins (sweet or savoury – 4)

Photo - "Summer" theme

Photo - "Creepy Crawlies" theme

Self Portrait A3 Max Size

Toilet Roll Animal

Fingerprint Painting Picture

Hama Bead Art

A Bug Hotel

A Kite

A Mosaic Picture

Lego Model - own design - "Lifesize replica of any object" theme (max board size A4)

ONLY 1 ENTRY PER PERSON PER CATEGORY UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

CHILDREN'S COMPETITON PRIZES

Northumberland Zoo Family Pass Falconry Days Family Meet the Birds Pass Wheelbirks Ice Cream Parlour Voucher

Inspired Pots Hexham Voucher

Forum Cinema Hexham Voucher

Children's categories open to all aged 16 and under. Free entry. Points, rosettes & cards awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3nd in each category. Top 5 point scorers win prizes. Entries to Humshaugh Village Hall between 8 & 10am on the day, or between 4 & 5pm on Friday 13th September.

For full details please see show guides (available in August from the village shop, or the Humshaugh Harvest Show Facebook page)