

Reminders & Diary Dates

- Fri 27Apr18 Toddler 'Stay & Play' 09.00-10.00. All welcome
School Council – Bake Off (details to follow)
- Fri 04May18 Governor Surgery 08.40
- Mon 07May18 Bank Holiday
- 14-18May18 SATs Week
- Tue 22May18 Class Photos

A weekly note from the Headteacher...

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a lovely Easter and has recharged their batteries ready for a busy term. Firstly, I would like to say a warm welcome to Husthwaite School to our three new nursery children and Freddie in Class 2. We know you will enjoy our school as much as we all do!



Our Nursery children welcoming their new friends!



Class 2 welcome Freddie

We would like to welcome Ms Finnegan to our team, who has joined us as a teaching assistant to support Classes 1 and 2 and also to help run the before school club. Please do introduce yourself and I know she will feel a part of our school community in no time.

I cannot believe May is nearly upon us and if your child is in Years 2 or 6 you will have received a parent information sheet about their National Curriculum end of Key Stage tests. If you require any additional information or have any questions please do just ask myself or your child's class teacher. As a Federation we want the children to not feel pressured or stressed and just to show themselves at their very best. They are statutory, and part of our job is to prepare your children for life – testing is a part of this and we want their first experiences to be positive ones in a relaxed, secure environment. No worrying allowed!

I'd like to take this opportunity in thanking all parents/carers for supporting me in changing the pick-up point at the end of school. Safety is paramount and through end of the day dismissal now being on the playground we have avoided what often caused a bottleneck and confusion in the small space directly outside the school front office. Due to the recent, extremely variable, British weather. Please ensure your child has the appropriate clothing in school (coats /wellies /sunhat).

As always have a great weekend.

School Council News

The School Council are very pleased to announce that a fabulous total of £103.72 was raised for Sports Relief, thank you so much for the support you gave the week's events. Thanks also to Oakley for baking buns to sell which has certainly helped to boost the total raised!

Dinner Money

The dinner money for the Summer Term is **£153.30** (£79.80 for the first half term and £73.50 for the second half term).

Class 1

AHOY me hearties!

This week Class 1 have gone pirate mad. We have made a splash with our new topic 'Shipwrecks'. We have been reading a new book 'Pirates Love Underpants' and sporting underpants over our clothes. We've made pirate hats, we've been painting and had lots of fun in the sun. We've also had lots of super fun in our pirate ship (made by Mrs Parker over the holidays).



Class 2

Class 2 have returned well rested and ready to learn; it's great to be back and even the sun put in an appearance. In maths this week we have completed some measures and statistics learning we began before the holidays using graphs to display our measurement learning, for example Y3/4 investigated who had the biggest head circumference. Y2 were exploring capacity containers and represented their findings as a bar chart as well as recapping time knowledge. Y3/4 have also had some perimeter and area learning as we cover the remaining objectives needed before focusing on mastery for the summer term. In English we are exploring a poetry anthology called The Wild Wonders, it will link well to our RE learning over the coming weeks; it also meant we were able to go outside for part of our English lesson on Thursday and enjoy some of the splendid sunshine whilst writing descriptive phrases using our senses. Y2 also went outside for their science this week as they hunted for spiders-dead or alive with Miss Wilkie! They struggled to find any live ones (I was secretly pleased) but they did find some other live mini-beasts so explored those instead. Y3/4 were also on the move for science but not before I attempted to conduct the beginning of the first Sound session in complete silence! Once we could speak again we headed around school to conduct a sound walk.

Class 3

Class 3 have come back full of beans and ready to learn this week. As part of our shipwrecked topic, in English, we have been looking at Shackleton's journey to Antarctica. We have identified grammatical features within the text particularly looking at different word classes.

In maths, we have investigated measures, converting between metric measures and between imperial and metric measures. In R.E. this week we have started to identify the role of charities and we shall be focusing more closely at Christian Aid and Islamic Relief.

Another reminder that P.E. kits should be in all week.

Thank you for your continued support

Where's Church this week?

Sunday 22nd April – our celebrations of Easter continues

09.00am Holy Communion at Coxwold

10.30am Worship for all at Husthwaite



Worship for all is our most family-friendly service at Husthwaite. It's a short service with hymns, readings, prayers and some reflection. There are also refreshments after the service. You are very welcome to come along.