



## 'Sowing Seeds – Bearing Fruit – Harvesting Potential'

Hustwaite CE Primary School and Apple Tree Nursery Newsletter

Your fortnightly note from your Headteacher...

Welcome back to the Summer term, we hope everyone had a restful and fun Easter holiday!

It most certainly was a busy final week to the Spring term. Class 2 did a wonderful production all about Ancient Egypt which was not only enjoyed by every child in the school, but also they did two fabulous performances to the Class 2 parents.



Our pupil voice - Hustwaite Eco Gardening Group (HEGG) were pleased to be able to organise sending a large number of reading books that we no longer use over to schools in Ukraine to be reused and enjoyed by children there. Thank you to Ms Griffiths for helping us to transport them to the volunteers who are organising this.



A huge thank you to FOHS for organising a much enjoyed egg decoration competition and fun Easter egg hunt around our beautiful school grounds. We raised £55, well done everyone.







And we ended the term with a beautiful and special Easter service, in memory of our much loved dinner lady Mrs Brack at St Nicholas' Church with Rev Katie. As always, every child in the school took part and The Husthwaite Hummingbirds choir performed beautifully.



Your fortnightly class summary from...

**Class 1, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Carass.**

The week before Easter, there was obviously lots of excitement when children made their Easter baskets and chocolate nests, ready for the Easter Bunny to fill with eggs! They also had their final week of Forest School where they toasted marshmallows over a fire pit and drank hot chocolate. Yum!



The first week back everyone has explored the 'Space Rocket' outside as part of our new topic, including some space gloop! Year 1 children have already learnt facts about Galileo and how he developed the telescope, enabling amazing discoveries about space. Finally, in RE the children were learning about the importance of Christian Symbols.





**Class 2, Miss Goodchild**

The week before Easter Class 2 loved having a visit from their friend Sofia who was over from the Ukraine visiting friends.

At the end of term, we said goodbye to one of our friends in Class 2 but have been able to welcome a new friend at the beginning of this term! Welcome to Husthwaite, Hope.



This week Class 2 have enjoyed beginning their new topic Water, Water Everywhere! The children have already learnt all about the physical geography of a river and the journey of a raindrop in a river. Linked to our topic, the children also enjoyed beginning their new class text. We will be using 3 books this half term to support our English. The first of which is The Rhythm of the Rain.

In science our Plants topic was introduced. We practised our observation skills, exploring different types of seeds and bulbs before considering all the different ways seeds can be dispersed.

The children also thoroughly enjoyed their Lacrosse PE session with Mr Shimwell on Tuesday, a first time at the sport for some of us!



**Class 3, Mr Chapman**







Class 3 have been busy in Forest Schools this week with the topic 'All About Trees'. We found deciduous leaves on our school grounds and measured their area and perimeter. We will repeat the process in 5 weeks to see if the area and perimeter of leaves will be greater/smaller/the same as spring develops. We also took advantage of the sunshine and our wonderful fields beginning our cricket journey. In maths, Year 6 have been studying algebra and Year 5 coordinates. Our new Class Text is 'Noah's Gold' written by Frank Cottrell-Boyce.

### Friday 21 April Awards

#### **Class 1, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Carass.**

*Bird Award* – Rocco. It is a pleasure to have Rocco in Class 1. He is polite, tries so hard with all his learning and is a good friend to all his classmates.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Hunter for being kind and looking after one of our nursery children when they were feeling sad. Also, Isla for always trying new foods and consistently eating her school dinner. Well done and keep it up.

*Writer of the week* – William's writing this week has been fantastic with all his letters correctly formed AND William has remembered his finger spaces.

#### **Class 2, Miss Goodchild.**

*Bird Award* – Hope for having a great first week at Husthwaite.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Joseph for sharing his knowledge about seed dispersal and for recording interesting questions in science.

*Writer of the week* – Alfie for trying hard to control the size of his writing and recording some very interesting questions and facts in science.

#### **Class 3, Mr Chapman.**

*Bird Award* – Charlie for his depth of knowledge about evergreen and deciduous trees and sharing this with the class.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Esme for giving 100% in cricket, she never stopped running!

*Writer of the week* – Rory for his published piece (diary entry) last half term, which was extremely descriptive and emotive.

#### **Miss Goodchild's Superstars!**

**Class 2** Phoebe L for being a fantastic role model and friend to Hope during her first week.

For your information our collective worship Christian value this half term is 'Responsibility'. Your child has got a home school values sheet of ideas in their book bag today, should you wish to explore their understanding of this value further at home.

This afternoon you are warmly welcome to **Friday Celebration assembly** in the school hall at 2.45pm, this half term hosted by Miss Goodchild.

Have a great weekend.

#### **NOTICES:**

- King Charles III Coronation Celebrations – FOHS design and make a crown at home (raid your recycling!) and wear a crown to school fit for a King or Queen on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Each class will have a crown fashion parade competition with the winners being the Class King and Queen for the day! There will also be a special Coronation School Lunch on this day.
- The NEU (National Education Union) has announced there will be a further two strike days for teachers: Thursday 27 April 2023 and Tuesday 2 May 2023. As always we will do everything we can to ensure that school remains open to all children and that all staff are supported by each of us, regardless of this action. We would

like to confirm that at this present moment in time school remains open on these days for all children. Your child may be taught by a different teacher to normal on these days.

- Please can we remind all parents **not** to park on the yellow zig zag lines in the bus bay; this is for the school bus and taxis only. If you want to 'drop and go' you can use the bus bay for that reason only and not to park whilst you get your child out of the car / take your child into school / wait for them to come out at the end of the day. Please also be mindful of considerate parking and not block any of our neighbours' driveways.
- Please note we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**. It is important no food containing nuts is brought into school under any circumstances.
- Please add us as a Facebook friend: [www.facebook.com/HusthwaiteCofEPrimary](http://www.facebook.com/HusthwaiteCofEPrimary) .

#### DIARY DATES:

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| 24 April   | Year 5/6 Cluster Netball at Easingwold Primary School   |
| 25 April   | Year 5/6 Cluster Football at Easingwold Primary School  |
| 28 April   | Husthwaite School Spelling Bee Competition  |
| 1 May      | Bank Holiday - School Closed  |
| 5 May      | FOHS Coronation Crown Competition. Children to come to school wearing a homemade and individually designed 'Coronation Crown!' All children will take part in a Husthwaite Coronation Crown Parade. |
| 8 May      | Coronation Bank Holiday - School Closed   |
| 9 – 12 May | Year 6 KS2 SAT's Week   |
| 12 May     | Husthwaite Stay and Play for toddlers 9-10am  |
| 26 May     | Break up for half term  |
| 5 June     | Start of Summer 2 term  |