

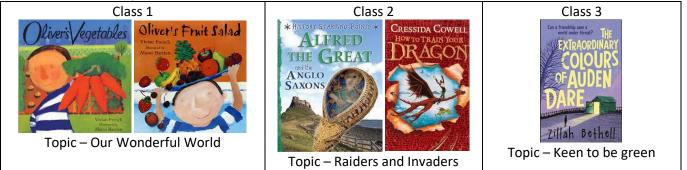
# Your first note from your Headteacher for the Summer Term ...

We hope everyone had a fabulous Easter break and enjoyed the beautiful weather. A warm welcome back to all, including Sofia in Class 2 who we welcome to our Husthwaite family this week.



Last night many of our Class 3 children alongside our Year 5 and 6 children from Sessay headed off to the Utilita Arena Sheffield to take part in Young Voices. The experience included an afternoon rehearsal with conductor David Lawrence, creative director Andy Instone and thousands of choristers from schools across the region. The size of the stadium caused many children to gasp on entering and the experience of singing (and dancing) in such a big choir was electrifying for all! The evening performance started at 7pm and it was lovely that some parents attended to join in with the fun, thank you for your support. Performing alongside the host Gigi Morley and singing and dancing with stars such as The Voice winner Ruti Olajugbagbe, Nick Shrim, Twinnie and The Street Dance Specialists Urban Strides was exciting and most certainly inspiring for all our children. A massive thank you to Miss Goodchild, Mr Chapman, and Mr Houghton for accompanying our children and making this memorable experience possible.

Learning is already back in full swing and I have really enjoyed seeing how enthusiastic the children are about their new class texts and topics this half term.



Class 1 have begun their science topic of plants and growing. They have learnt about the parts of a plant and the functions each part performs. All the children used their observational skills and drew a flower. Their drawings were amazing and the children took their time to really study the plant and include lots of detail. In Geography, the Year 1 children have started learning about the 4 countries of the United Kingdom and have been learning the names of the capital cities. This week they have focused on London. The children created posters about why we should visit London and drew some of the famous landmarks.



Class 2 have begun their new topic on Raiders and Invaders. They have moved on from their last time-period, the Romans onto Anglo-Saxons. They have learnt where they came from and how they preferred to live in comparison to the Romans. Next, they will be moving onto Alfred the Great and finding out who he was and his significance in history.

They have also begun their new science topics; Year 2 have begun learning about plants and Years 3 and 4 are joining in with some of the learning in outdoor learning time but are also investigating electricity and circuits.



Class 3 have started their new topic Keen to be Green. In their maths learning, Year 5 have been learning about shape, particularly angles and properties of shape. In PSHCE we have investigated medicines and vaccines and how these can be most effective. Through their P.E. learning, the children have started to develop their athletics skills – sports week here they come!

This afternoon you are warmly welcome to **Friday Celebration assembly** in the school hall at 2.50pm, this half term being hosted by Miss Goodchild.

## Friday 29 April Awards

### Class 1, Mrs Jackson.

Bird Award – Daisy for her beautifully illustrated poster of London.

Headteacher's sticker – Evie and Alfie for their beautiful drawings of flowers, paying close attention to detail. Handwriter of the week – Wilf K for handwriting both in phonics and writing his Easter news. Wilf sits his writing

on the line and pays careful attention to letter formation.

### Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

Bird Award – Leo for always being ready to learn and organised in EVERY lesson.

*Headteacher's sticker* – Sofia for a great first week at Husthwaite.

*Handwriter of the week* – Felix for maintaining lovely presentation across the curriculum.

### Class 3, Mr Chapman.

*Bird Award* – Jess B for despite having a broken collarbone wanting to be involved in everything, take part in all the tasks, nothing is stopping her from enjoying her learning.

Headteacher's sticker - Joe and Alex for completing their 3D tractors built from 2D nets.

Handwriter of the week – Isabel for focusing on each task ensuring it is of a high standard.

Miss Goodchild's Superstars:

Class 1: Ellie

Class 2: Eliza W

Class 3: Enes

For your information our collective worship Christian value this half term is Respect. 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.

Please note my school newsletter will continue to be fortnightly as of today.

Enjoy the bank holiday weekend.

#### **NOTICES:**

• The following is a uniform reminder as we have had a few queries.

School uniform:	PE Kit:
Red or grey sweater/cardigan	Plain white or red t-shirt
White or red polo shirt	Navy/black shorts
Grey or black skirt, red gingham dress, trousers or shorts	Tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirt (for outdoor PE)
Grey/white socks or tights	Plimsolls/trainers
Black sensible shoes.	
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**Jewellery:**- For safety reasons, jewellery should not be worn in school. If a watch is worn, it is at your own risk. Plain stud type earrings may be worn with pierced ears but must be removed (independently) during PE sessions. This is in line with North Yorkshire County Council's policy.

- Please can we ask that all parents are aware that the school bus has priority in the parking drop off bay, before and after school.
- CCTV and school fence. We would like to inform you that we have had CCTV installed at school. As you know we have had recent problems with trespassers on site on two occasions outside school hours. We have cameras at the front and back of our site. The back is for use outside of school hours and we want to assure you recordings are kept locally only for our own purposes should we require them. Data is kept for 30 days. Our privacy notice and data protection impact assessment is available to view on request through the school office should you wish to do so. For your information the fence between school and Husthwaite park is being re-established as soon as possible as supplies become available.
- FOHS Many thanks to those of you that attended the FOHS meeting on Wednesday evening . As you know on Sunday 17 July it is the 'Husthwaite Rat Race' An exciting obstacle course event for the families of Husthwaite School and other local young people to be held on the Newburgh Priory Estate. Children of Husthwaite school are automatically registered at no cost and will be in the 10am Husthwaite School wave to start the race on the day.



Today your child will bring home a 'Husthwaite Rat Race Pack' which includes an information sheet, sponsorship form and t-shirt order form. For children of friends and family to participate, they need to sign up at: <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/husthwaite-rat-race-tickets-305727768987</u> Our Epic Improvers pupil voice group are really hoping we raise enough money to get some new outdoor equipment and resources for everyone to enjoy. There will be a prize for the child at Husthwaite who raises the most money. Do visit The Husthwaite Rat Race Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/s/husthwaite-rat-race/365178985558760/</u>

The next FOHS meeting to discuss this event is on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May at The Forresters Arms pub in Kilburn. Please do come along and help with the planning of this amazing event.

- The Beckwith Bequest Please can we remind all parents and carers of the Beckwith Bequest who give grants to eligible people of all ages who live in, or have been educated in, the parishes of Easingwold or Husthwaite in North Yorkshire. Grants are to help with the costs of education, for example uniform, residential trips, instruments, books etc. Please see our website for further information and application forms.
- COVID-19 CURRENT ADVICE For your information the NHS <u>COVID-19 symptoms in adults</u> and <u>symptoms in children</u> have been updated. Adults and children who have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19, should follow the <u>UKHSA guidance</u>.
   Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.
   If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel

well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

COVID-19 VACCINATION A guide for parents of children aged 5-11
 <u>https://cyps.northyorks.gov.uk/sites/default/files/Noticeboard/Red%20bag/Attachments/2022/UKHSA\_12308\_COVID-19 Guide for parents of 5-</u>
 <u>11years A5 8pp leaflet%20GW20211039%2009 WEB.pdf?utm campaign=2158380 CYPS%20e-Red%20Bag%20-%2025%20March%202022&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=North%20Yorks%20County%20Council&dm\_i=4BPJ,1A9 F0,2EBEDW,5XF4N,1

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# **DIARY DATES:**

2 May	Bank Holiday School Closed
9–12 May	KS2 SATS week
19 May	Federation Years 3 & 4 Carlton Lodge residential information meeting, 5pm Zoom.
23 – 26 May	School Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration Week
25 May	Afternoon Street Party. Parents and community welcome to join us for our royal celebrations on the playground 2.30pm – 3pm.
	7.30pm FOHS meeting at The Forresters Arms, Kilburn
26 May	School closes 3.20pm for summer half term
27 May	Staff INSET day – school closed
6 June	School opens 8.50am
10 June 8 July	Husthwaite Apple Tree Nursery 'Stay and Play' session will recommence, the second Friday of every month in term time. An opportunity for babies and toddlers to come with an adult and join our Nursery children for an hour of activities/play inside and out with refreshments for adults kindly provided by St Nicholas' Church.
17 July	Husthwaite Rat Race Public Family Event – Newburgh Priory Estate.