



'Sowing Seeds – Bearing Fruit – Harvesting Potential'

Hustwaite CE Primary School and Apple Tree Nursery Newsletter
Your fortnightly note from your Headteacher...

Another busy fortnight for all.

Last Thursday all the children enjoyed celebrating World Book day. Instead of dressing up, the children transformed a wooden spoon into a favourite book character. The book character spoons were amazing and it was lovely that so many children brought in the book as well to share with their class. We truly are a reading school, with a love of books of so many different genres! Lots of reading fun was had by all.



This week our Year 6 children have had a mock SAT's week. We are so proud of each and every one of them, they have worked under test conditions, showing focus and determination to do their very best.

Your fortnightly class summary from...

Class 1, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Carass.

In RE the year 1 children have been learning about 'Why Easter matters to Christians?' This week we focused on Palm Sunday, acting out the events in the story and making palm leaves. The children decorated a cross, drawing their own interpretations of 'New Life'. In Maths the year 1's have been working with numbers to 50, looking at place value and enjoying our mastery challenges. In topic everyone has been learning lots of new vocabulary through our popular farming topic.



Class 2, Miss Goodchild

The last newsletter went out the day Class 2 had their Egyptian Day so we've had to wait a long time to get some photos in! The children had an amazing day. They handled and drew Egyptian artefacts. They learnt all about mummification using a dummy! They played Egyptian games, became scribes and got to handle some very large weapons.



The last 2 weeks have been busy, during that time we have enjoyed World Book Day. The children did activities linked to the BBC Live lesson as well as enjoying a book café where they shared their books and spoon characters with friends. They also began their new French topic, 'Tutti Fruti' and learnt a song focused on 4 fruits, they put their percussion skills to use at the same time.



Class 3, Mr Chapman, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.

Class 3 have enjoyed learning about the Christmas Truce during World War 1 and have also started to write an informal letter from one of the characters in their class book, Private Peaceful. In maths the year 5's have been interpreting data on timetables and year 6 have been calculating the mean. In science we have looking at irreversible changes and doing lots of investigating and in PSHE we have researched the life of a Paralympian.

Friday 3 March Awards

Class 1, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Carass.

Bird Award – Scarlett for making so much progress across the curriculum, but particularly in writing.

Headteacher's sticker – Sidney and Dotty for the drawings they did on Purple Mash with Mrs Carass.

Writer of the week – Hunter for writing independently during phonics. Hunter is so keen to write! Keep it up Hunter!

Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

Bird Award – Ethan for working especially hard with his English, both reading and writing.

Headteacher's sticker – Joseph for sharing brilliant information with our visitor last week during our Egyptian day.

Your passion for the topic shone through!

Writer of the week – Wilf for the effort he put into his Egyptian day recount. He worked hard to include plenty of time adverbials to order the day's events chronologically.

Class 3, Mr Chapman.

Bird Award – Jess B for passionately sharing her World Book Day spoon creation based on The Railway Children.

Headteacher's sticker – Lucas and Rory for teamwork and creativity in the Charleston.

Writer of the week – Evelyn for applying her knowledge of poetic features to create an emotive war poem.

Miss Goodchild's Superstars!

This week has focused on good behaviours...

Class 2 Eliza W for a helpful solution and making our play areas even safer.

Class 3 Lucas for being a good playtime role model to all.

Friday 10 March Awards

Class 1, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Carass.

Bird Award – Hunter for working independently in number all week. Hunter has completed all his tasks and has been clearly enjoying his learning. Well done and keep it up.

Headteacher's sticker – Robert for consistently working hard in reading and phonics.

Writer of the week – Beatrix for her writing about our topic of farming. There was lots of information and Beatrix tried so hard to make her writing smaller!

Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

Bird Award – Holly for her hard work on fractions this week and trying hard with her times tables (which help with fractions!)

Headteacher's sticker – Freddie for always being willing to step in and help with a job when needed.

Writer of the week – Ellie for saying her sentences out loud before writing them for her story writing so they all made sense.

Class 3, Mrs Watson and Ms Gauder.

Bird Award – Isabel for her excellent scientific enquiry work this week and her great behaviour for learning.

Headteacher's sticker – All the year 5 and 6 children for their mature attitude to our tests this week.

Writer of the week – Rory for his cohesive and detailed science write-up.

Miss Goodchild's Superstars!

This week has focused on good behaviours...

Class 1 George J and Sharday for following the sitting and listening carefully rules during maths.

Class 2 Joseph for making good playtime choices.

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

Have a great weekend.

NOTICES:

- As you know we are currently moving to a new school payment and communication system. We have adopted the 'Arbor Parent Portal' and the 'Arbor app'. Please ensure you download the app and log on. Like all changes, we and some of you are experiencing teething problems, please bear with it and us, as initially things may take longer to process. Once it is fully up and running it should be much easier for all, everything on one app and will provide a more efficient payment and communication system.
- We are experiencing an increase in tonsillitis cases across school. Please ensure you are familiar with the Scarlet Fever and Strep A information. Please make sure you are aware of the symptoms and we recommend you seek medical advice immediately if you have any concerns at all about your child.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/scarlet-fever-symptoms-diagnosis-treatment/scarlet-fever-factsheet>

- As informed last half term the NEU (National Education Union) has announced the following strike days for teachers next week: Wednesday 15 March 2023 and Thursday 16 March 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.
- A huge congratulations to Mr Chapman and family who have welcomed another baby boy into the world. Mr Chapman is on paternity leave this week and next. Ms Gauder and Mrs Watson are teaching Class 3 in his absence.

- Today we say goodbye to our school cook Mrs Ryan. We wish her well for the future.
- 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 .

DIARY DATES:

14 March	Science Enrichment Day as part of National Science Week. Years 5 and 6 STEM workshop at Easingwold Primary school. Classes 1 and 2 Parent's Evening (Class 3 Parent Evening postponed, a new date will be given when Mr Chapman returns from paternity leave).
15 March	Mother's Day Gift Sale at playtime.
17 March	Liz Hebdon our school parent governor will be doing her governor surgery at drop off. HEGG educational visit to Allerton Park. Red Nose Day 2023.
20 March	Visiting vet to Class 1. Parent's Evening for all classes.
22 March	Cluster skipping event.
23 March	Sowerby Music Jazz Assembly.
24 March	FOHS Easter Egg template decorating competition being sent out.
31 March	Easter Service at St Nicholas' Church 9.30am FOHS Easter Egg template decorating competition to be brought in. FOHS Easter Egg Hunt. End of Spring term 2.30pm finish, break up for the Easter holidays.
17 April	Teacher training day – school closed.
18 April	School reopens for the Summer term.