



Henshaw CE Primary School Newsletter

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Stars of the Week



Class 1 - Tabitha - we have been talking lots this week about how to be a good friend - sharing toys, including our friends in our games and caring for each other. Tabitha has been a great friend this week, playing with her friends and being kind. Well done Tabitha!

Class 2 – Ollly for excellent problem solving in Maths!

Class 3 - Findlay for his excellent engineering skills whilst making our Tepee in our Forest School!

Class 4 - Macie for her positive attitude to all of her work.

Head Teacher's Award – Macy C- for always trying her best, for being positive about learning and for being a kind friend to all - Well done!

Learning Achievements

Class 1 – This week in Reception we have been reading more traditional tales with the focus on 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. We have talked about our favourite characters, the order of the story, story language and have drawn our favourite part of the story. We even retold the story through yoga! In maths we have been playing with lots of different maths equipment such as the Compare Bears and Numicon. We created castles and palaces from 2D and 3D shapes. We have made magic porridge using a range of glitters and sequins and we talked about the story of the Creation in RE and made some beautiful jellyfish for our display in the classroom. It's been another busy week!

Class 2 – In Maths this week, Year 1 have been practising counting forwards and backwards and Year 2 have been counting and representing numbers to 100. In RE we have been looking at parables. We have also used our senses to explore the outside area.

Class 3 – This week we have been continuing our work on 'Stig of the Dump'. We have been looking at characters, setting and story structure. In Forest Schools, we have built a hunter-gatherer abode. Our Maths has been number lines in Year 3 and making the same 4 digit number in different ways in Year 4. In PSHE, the children created their 'nightmare' school and did some work on emotions and body language.

Class 4 – In English this week, we have been researching and creating our own fact files about Ancient Egypt.

In Maths we have we have continued our work with rounding and place value, working on consolidation. We are enjoying our guided reading book about an Egyptian adventure. As a class we have created some beautiful watercolour pictures of ancient artefacts. We enjoyed the lovely weather in forest school as we completed some gardening. We were also lucky to harvest some of our vegetables and fruit in the garden.

Attendance W/C 14.9.20	
Reception	100
Year 1	100
Year 2	95.0
Year 3	96.6
Year 4	96.4
Year 5	100
Year 6	95.0
Overall	97.2

Notification of who is collecting your child

Parents must let school know of any changes in terms of who is collecting their child at the end of the day, as there have been a few occasions when other parents have told the class teacher they are collecting a friend's child.

Due to the new local lockdown restrictions, the adult collecting your child must currently be part of your child's support bubble as socialising with anyone outside their household or support bubble is prohibited.

Government Local Lockdown measures:

Northumberland residents are advised:

- * Not to socialise with other people outside of their own households in all public venues
 - * Only to use public transport for essential purposes, such as travelling to school or work
 - * Take holidays only within your household or support bubble
 - * Avoid attending amateur and semi-professional sporting events as spectators
- *Those in affected areas must get a test if symptomatic, stay at home if you are required to self isolate and think hands, face, space.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

Birthdays

We have had a few enquiries about celebrating birthdays in school this week and, in the current circumstances, we feel that a whole birthday cake is a little difficult to distribute safely. However, if you wish to send in small, individually wrapped sweets (e.g. Haribos) or individual cupcakes, we would be happy to distribute these to your child's classmates. The sweets/ individual cupcakes should be sent into school three days prior to a child's birthday, so that they can be 'quarantined' and then handed out on the day of the birthday.

Parent's consultations - dates to be confirmed.

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, we are unable to host face to face parents' consultations during the Autumn Term.

We can, however, offer an update over the phone. If you would like a telephone conversation with your child's class teacher, please complete the slip below with your most up to date telephone contact details. We will then be able to arrange a convenient time for the class teacher to call you with an update.

Schoolcomms

As you know we are starting our cashless payment system very soon. We are aiming to get this up and running the week commencing Monday 5th October. **Please can we ask that all dinner money payments for September are made in full by Friday 25th September by cash or cheque.**

All future payments (dinners, milk etc...) will then be made available to pay via the Schoolcomms app. A guide to how to set this up will be sent out on Monday.

We acknowledge and apologise that we did previously ask for no cash/ cheques to be sent in but in order to start the new system we must clear any amounts owing before moving forwards with the app.

School Admissions Application Process - Information for Secondary Schools in Northumberland and Cumbria

Northumberland

The application process for Secondary (Year 7) school places starts this week. The portal opens on 12th September and closes on 31st Oct. Late applications may result in pupils not securing a place in their preferred school.

For more information please see our web page:-

<https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Schools/School-admissions-places-appeals-1.aspx>

or contact the team directly using the following email address:- schooladmissions@northumberland.gov.uk.

Cumbria

www.cumbria.gov.uk/schooladmissions

If you are unable to apply online, you can still apply using a paper form (SA3). You can download this form from the website or alternatively you can contact the Schools Admissions Team to request a copy- 01228 221582

School Taxi Parking Bays

Please could the School Taxi parking bays be kept free so that school transport can access the area to drop off and collect the children safely. Thank you for your co-operation.

Access to technology

In the event of any further disruptions to school life because of COVID-19, please can you let us know whether or not you have access to suitable technology at home so that if for whatever reason, your child can still access learning at home.

Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds's Menu w/c 21/9/20

(Please note: this menu may be subject to change)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Roast Chicken, Mash, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy OR Jacket Potato with Filling	Mince & Dumpling, Mash OR Baguette with Filling	Chicken Burger in a Bun, Salad OR Quiche	Pork & Sage Pie, Wedges OR Tortilla Wrap & Salad	Salmon Fish Fingers, New Potatoes OR Pasta with Chicken & Sweetcorn Mayo
Carrots	Green Beans	Sweetcorn	Peas	Beans
Jelly & Ice Cream	Carrot Cake	Strawberry Cheesecake	Flapjack	Frozen Smoothie
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Yours



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