

News Flier.....

Wednesday, 8th February, 2017
Week 6

- **Half Term Holiday Competition** – a 'picture' made up of drawings of fruits and vegetables that depict an athlete (any sport). Closing date – Friday, 24th February. Entry fee 50p. Good luck!
- **Shrove Tuesday** - on Tuesday, 28th February we will be celebrating with our annual Pancake Races in the afternoon at 2.00pm to which you are all most welcome. If your child wishes to enter his or her class race, a named pan with a pancake and a 50p entry fee is all that is required. Don't forget there are races for parents and pre-school too!
- **Parking** – please can I remind you to keep our bus layby free for the designated home/school transport vehicles. These include the taxis and Call Connect vehicles – the last of which serves our school at 08:30 am – thank you.
- **Gold Sports Award** – as a school proud to hold this National accreditation, it is important that we all encourage our children to take part in active lifestyle choices. Our PE noticeboard has recently been refreshed to reflect the many, many activities our children enjoy at school, and some of our recent successes. Family walks or cycle rides along the seafront are ideal ways to keep fit and enjoy some quality time together at home. At school there are playtimes, PE lessons, '5-a-Day' sessions and outdoor activities to contribute to each child's regular total of physical activity.
- **Summer Term Olympic Athlete visit** – in May we will be welcoming a Rio 2016 Judo competitor to school to demonstrate, coach and talk to the children about life as an Olympian. Many of you will remember we had a visit from Laura Samuels in 2014 which proved to be a resounding success.
- **30 Hours 'free' child care** – the government is extending the 15 hours free provision for 3 and 4 year olds to 30 hours with effect from September 2017. Our Nursery is already set up for being open in excess of 30 hours per week, so the only change for our parents from September, will be that there will be no fees to pay up to thirty hours. As many of you know, our very well established, high quality Nursery learning experience is led by Mrs Denton, a fully qualified teacher with an additional, specialist qualification in Early Years.
- **Children's Film Afternoon** – attendance at this FHS event was very high and I am very pleased to tell you that raised just over £200 was raised for school funds. Some of this will go towards more reading books for Years 3 and 6 and the rest to the Anderson Shelter Project.

- **Weekly Class Trophies** – winners for the week ending Friday, 3rd February 2017:
 - Spelling Trophy – Year 4
 - Mental Maths Trophy – Year 4
 - Attendance Trophy – Year 5
 - Homework Trophy – Year 5
 - Singing Trophy – Year 1

- **Year 2 Trip** - Monday 27th February - Year 2 will be visiting the Aviation Heritage Centre at East Kirkby to take part in an activity day "Super Heroes Workshop". Every child will need a packed lunch and a drink, normal school uniform will be worn but scarf/hat/gloves are strongly recommended as it can get very cold in the hangar. A donation of £3.00 per child towards the cost of the trip would be sincerely appreciated – thank you.

Community News

- **Alford and District Children's Centres** are looking for some parents/carers to join their Advisory Board. There are just four meetings a year and the next one is Friday, 24th February 1:00 – 2:30 at Alford Children's Centre. To register your interest call Christina Sykes on 0787 6591808.

- **Live Theatre Production** of 'The Giant Jam Sandwich' – Thursday, 9th March 6:00 pm at Horncastle Grammar School. The production is sponsored by Arts Council England and is for primary school age children and their families. For more information contact the school direct on 01507 522465.

Forthcoming Diary Dates

Thursday, 9 th February	Our annual 'Big Breakfast' and 'Tractor Day'
Thursday 9 th February	2.00pm Junior DT Assembly in the Hall
Friday 24 th February	2.10pm Infant DT Assembly in the Hall
Wednesday 1 st March	Friends of Huttoft School meeting, 2.25pm in the Hall
Thursday, 2 nd March	World Book Day – some of our activities include specific ones planned by the Query Crew for the children to enjoy