

News Flier.....

Wednesday, 1st March, 2017
Week 8

- **Inter School Newspaper Activity Day** – this annual event for Year 5's is hosted by John Spendluffe School and is taking place today. Keira, Charlie Hart, Lucy and Freddie are our representatives and I know they will have a super day preparing and laying out their content, editing their work and finalising everything prior to publication by Mortons of Horncastle.
- **Mrs Hurrell's Half Term Competition** – congratulations to Alisha (Y1), Olivia and Alfie Crow (Y2) and Jaiden (Y3) for their winning entries! Their work is now on display in the Hall – sports presented through fruit and vegetables.
- **National Music Mark Award** – I am delighted to tell you that our school has just been awarded this prestigious 'Mark' in recognition of our high quality music curriculum, provided within our school's overall broad and balanced curriculum.
- **Children's Mental Health Awareness Week** – last week our junior children took part in a national 'Big Assembly' on this topic. One of the outcomes of it has been the development of a 'kindness tree' in the Hall for which Year 5 and Year 6 have created kindness messages in leaves and blossom.
- **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Races** – yesterday morning Year 6 served a sample of pancake to everyone and then in the afternoon we enjoyed our annual races on the playground. I think we had the highest number of runners ever – thank you for supporting us with this fun activity – there must have been some busy kitchens on Monday evening!

Class winners were:	Tillie	Mason	Year 6
	Courtney	Harry, Luke C	Year 5
	Daisy	Archie	Year 4
	Rosie Shaw	Harrison	Year 3
	Erica	Alfie, Logan	Year 2
	Maisie	Ollie	Year 1
	Tillie	Ollie H	Reception

Parents winners were Mrs Rosin and Mr Dewick.

- **Book Fayre** – fortnight commences on Tuesday, 7th March. The Book Fayre is open to parents/carers on Tuesday, 14th March, 2:10 p.m. with Mrs Hurrell's Story Time commencing at 2:25 p.m. This is always a popular afternoon – please remember to bring your cushion for your child(ren) to join you for Story Time.
- **World Book Day** – on Thursday 2nd March during World Book Day, we will all be participating in 'DEAR' for 10 minutes before lunch – '**D**rop **E**verything and **R**ead! It will be a special opportunity to be part of a whole school activity in addition to the Query Crew's World Book Day activities for each class and the whole class Book Reviews we are going to be writing. Perhaps you would like to do the same at home.....
- **Phones in School** – please may I remind you that when attending school your phones must be turned off. That's 'off' to texts/calls/cameras/emails/games etc and includes between 08:15 and 8:35 when you are bringing your child(ren) to class. Your co-operation with this is greatly appreciated – it is for the benefit and safety of **all** our children.
- **Retiring Governor** – on Thursday, 9th March the governors will be hosting a Celebration for Mr Clifford Bell who has been a member of the Governing Body for over 25 years. That's fantastic service and we wish to say 'thank you' to him. The Celebration commences at 7:15 pm in Year 6. If you would like to join us please would you let me or Mrs White know by Monday, 7th March, 2017.
- **Year 5/Year 6 trip to Southwell** – just a reminder that this trip departs school at **8:00 am** on Tuesday, 21st March and returns at 4:15 pm.
- **Plimsolls** – our classroom 'spares' are diminishing – if you have any pairs that your children have outgrown please could you let us have them? Thank you.
- **Small Toys** – we are always glad to receive any good quality toys or puzzles your children have outgrown.
- **PE Kits** – come home for washing this Friday. Please remember to return them to school on Monday – thank you

- **Parking** – there have been a number of complaints from the local residents this week regarding parked cars blocking a clear access to their property. There has also been mention of some altercations/cross words – associated with parked cars. I am sure we are all fully aware of the daily problems around our school area and the patience and tolerance displayed by many of you is greatly appreciated. We eagerly await the outcome of our Car Park (A52 field) Bid which will be announced at the end of March – having that facility would make such a difference.....
- **Red Nose Day** – 24th March marks this year's annual fund raising day. Children are welcome to wear a 'nose' or similar accessory at school that day – as you know we will be directing our fund raising into the Ryan Smith Foundation with a fund raising event on 29th March inviting all our children to 'wear a hat' to school, £1.00 per child.
- **Weekly Class Trophies** – winners for the week ending Friday, 24th February 2017:
 - Spelling Trophy – Year 4
 - Mental Maths Trophy – Year 1
 - Attendance Trophy – Year 2
 - Homework Trophy – Year 5
 - Singing Trophy – Y6
- **Cultural Afternoon** – is Friday, 10th March when each class will be giving presentations connected with their study of world religions. We welcome you into classrooms between 1:30 pm and 2:10 pm to see and hear what each class has been doing and then outside with us for a celebratory song after which will be our useful home time routine and we will see you at the gate. The Friends of Huttoft School will be serving samples of foods from around the world in the Hall from 1:30 pm.

Forthcoming Diary Dates

Friday 3 rd March	Year 4 Class Assembly for parents and carers of children in Mrs Crouch's class – 2:25 pm in the Hall
Monday, 13th March	Year 4 World War II Museum open to parents of Year 3 and Year 4 children – 1:50 pm in the Hall