

News Flier.....

Wednesday, 29th March, 2017
Week 12

- **Easter Egg Raffle** – have you got your tickets yet? The draw is on Friday and the office is filling up fast with a fantastic array of prizes.....but there is still room for a few more!
- **Whole School Music Day** – is Thursday, 30th March when the children will be focusing on composition work. As this is a special activity day in school there will be an early morning activity for parents.....look out for my music quiz to tease your brain....available in the corridor.
- **Birthday Candles** – I will be celebrating those children whose birthday falls between Monday, 17th April and Sunday, 30th April in Assembly on Monday, 24th April.
- **Cross Country** – many congratulations to our Cross Country team of 28 Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children whose excellent team running secured us first place at this event. Fantastic! The trophy, medals and certificates will be presented in Assembly on Monday, 24th April. Of particular note was Daisy's performance – she took fifth place out of well over 60 runners.....wow!
- **Uniform** – Summer uniform may be worn from Tuesday, 18th April.....but please may I remind you that the weather can still be very cool and coats still need to be worn to school every day.

Huttoft Primary School (only) gilets can be worn as an alternative to a coat and are available through school. Trutex stocks black Huttoft Primary School waterproof rain jackets which make a suitable summer coat.

I have noticed recently that a few of the boys are wearing charcoal or black trousers - please may I remind you that trousers should be mid grey only.

We have had a few instances of 'lost' items of uniform recently – and whilst usually these have been found, a number of the items have not been clearly labelled therefore making it very difficult to reunite with their owner. Please over the Easter holidays check your child's uniform is clearly and permanently 'named' - thank you.

- **Red Nose Day** – although we were not fund raising, thank you very much for the donations received. We will be forwarding £15.50 to this charity.
- **Friends of Huttoft School Meeting** – was held this morning and plans are well underway for our forthcoming Summer Fayre on Friday afternoon , 30th June. This is our main fund raising event of the year at which we aim to raise £1500 – some of which will be used to help fund our whole school trip to the Embassy Theatre Pantomime in December. Please put the 30th June in your diary now and if you are able to join the next Friends meeting in the Music Room on Wednesday, 17th May at 08:45 you will be most welcome.
- **Our School Grounds** – I am sure many of you have already noticed how beautiful the Spring flowers are looking in the flower beds now and how the trees are budding up. By the time we come back to school after the holidays the blossom should be fully out. We have so much to appreciate in the beauty around our school and heartfelt thanks go to Mr Lake for the time and care he puts into maintaining such a beautiful environment for us.

You may have noticed that the churchyard too is looking very attractive at the moment with huge clumps of violets, primulas and primroses.

Next term each class will take responsibility for some of the garden boxes with help from Mr Campling, Mr Lake's colleague. I am sure your child will talk about their 'growing' project as the Summer progresses.

Our pond now has a new pump fitted to it and the frogs are back so we can look forward to watching the tadpoles grow and develop. The pump was purchased with pupil premium funds. The pond area is a very valuable part of our outdoor learning provision across the curriculum.

- **Instrumental Tuition** – please remember that Summer Term music tuition fees are due by Tuesday, 18th April – thank you to those of you who have already forwarded your payment. Lessons resume on Tuesday, 18th April.
- **Headlice** – we have had one or two cases reported. Please may I remind you of our little saying – 'once a week, take a peak'. There are many products available from your local pharmacy where you can also gain useful factual information regarding the treatment of headlice.

- **Weekly Class Trophies** – winners for the week ending Friday, 24th March, 2017:
 - Spelling Trophy – Year 1
 - Mental Maths Trophy – Year 5
 - Attendance Trophy – Year 4
 - Homework Trophy – Year 2
 - Singing Trophy – YR

- **Hot Lunch menus** – just a reminder that menus need to be returned on time – there is a date for return at the bottom of the page. Money needs to have been paid before the order can be processed – whether this is in cash or via Parentpay.

- **Easter Holiday Reading List** – you should have received this sheet yesterday giving you suggestions for reading material that is specifically chosen to support your child’s Summer Term curriculum. I hope you find it useful and enjoy the opportunity to encourage reading together at home.

- **Resilience** – this is a quality we strive to develop in our children. There are four skills in particular that are woven into our curriculum to promote it - communication, problem solving, healthy coping (mindfulness to use in times of crisis) and understanding emotions. The governors and staff all recognise the importance and value of promoting self-confidence, self-esteem, communication and the building of trust.

Forthcoming Family Activities in the Community

- Saturday, 8th April – Coastal Walk at Anderby Creek with warden David Miller commencing at 10:00 am – visit www.lincstrust.org.uk for more information.

- Tuesday, 11th April – Eco Centre, Skegness is doing an activity session for under 11’s and a grown up from 10:30 to 2:30 – contact enquiries@ecoskegness.org.uk for more details.

- Sunday, 30th April – Rigsby Wood Open Day from 10:00 am visit www.lincstrust.org.uk for more information.

- Gibraltar Point is hosting a number of Easter Egg trails over the holiday period – visit www.lincstrust.org.uk for full details.

Forthcoming Diary Dates

Friday, 31 st March	Year 6 Children –v- Year 6 Parents annual netball 'match'. Are you up for the challenge? If so, please join us on the netball court at 1:55 pm for 40 minutes netballing 'fun'!
Tuesday, 18 th April	School re-opens for the Summer Term at 08:35
Friday, 21 st April	Year 6/Year 5 swimming resumes - £24.00 for the half term/£48 for the Summer Term.
<i>Week beginning Monday, 8th May</i>	<i>Year 6 SAT's National Test week (further details to follow)</i>
Friday, 30 th June	Summer Fayre commencing at 3:00 – 4:30 pm
Tuesday, 11 th July	Sports Day

End of Term

As we reach the end of term I would just like to say "thank you" to all of you for your terrific support this term - it has been a real pleasure to see so many of you joining us at the wide variety of activities that the children are involved in. Sharing these opportunities with you truly reflects our 'school family' feeling and I hope that you feel the same way.

Happy Easter Holidays everybody.....see you on the 18th April