

News Flier.....

Thursday 6th September 2018
Week 1

- **A very warm welcome to everyone.....**as we start the new school year! It's always a particular pleasure to lead the very first Assembly and see everyone seated with their new class in their rows. We are thinking about 'promises' this week and the children offered some lovely contributions on Tuesday morning.
- **Building works.....**over the holidays there has been some progress with our car park on the A52 – no completion date yet though! However the new emergency evacuation system works were finished on time and we now have a very sophisticated system which includes a 'lock down' facility. Both these building projects have been funded by the Academies Condition Improvement Fund.
- **Staff news.....**Miss Lawrence got married in August and is now Mrs Wood. Both Mrs Whitehouse and Mrs Barlow are off sick – we send them our best wishes. Mrs Barlow had an operation in August and we anticipate her return to work towards the end of September. As yet no replacement has been found – if anyone is interested in taking on some temporary week-day after school cleaning hours please let me know and full details and an application form will be supplied to you.
- **The Entrance Hall display.....**features the children's artistic interpretations of the Character Education work carried out in each class towards the end of last term. Reception – honesty, Y1 – neighbourliness, Y2 – community spirit, Y3 – conscientiousness, Y4 – resilience, Y5 – tolerance, Y6 – drive. Do take the opportunity to view this work which is on display in the foyer and along the main corridor. Our school's Aims and Values are intended to contribute to Character Education with honesty, integrity and respect as key areas.

- **Items of news outstanding from last term.....**congratulations to Ryan (now in Y7) on passing his Grade 2 cello exam with merit; to Lily (now Y6) and Dempsey (now Y2) on achieving 100% every week in their spelling test; to Spencer (now Y5) for raising £130 for the Query Crew's lung cancer sponsored event (bringing the school's total to a magnificent £437!); to the following adult winners on Sports Day: 3 legged race – The Metcalfe twins, Skipping race – G Tagg and J Maillard, Flat race – Mr Culley.
- **Gifts at the end of last term.....**on behalf of all the staff I would like to express my sincere thanks to you all for your generosity. I was overwhelmed by the personal messages in your cards and thought that went into your gifts. You clearly have great appreciation of our school. Thank you so much.
Year 6 (now Year 7) presented the school with a trug packed full of gardening items for the Anderson Shelter Project and a very attractive bird home for the Sensory Garden – lovely reminders of their time with us.
- **Hot School lunches.....**just to clarify to Year 3 parents/carers that with the exception of families in receipt of certain benefits, school lunches have to be paid for. The government free school meals scheme only applies to Infant children (YR, Y1, Y2)
- **Expectations of children's 'language' in school.....**I'd like to remind you that the expression 'oh my God' is not acceptable at school nor is any expletive such as swear words or profanity.
- **Year 1 visit.....** on Monday morning, Monday 10th September Mrs Peet will be taking the class to St. Margaret's Church as part of their RE and local History studies. Mrs Ambler will be welcoming them and showing them around.
- **Miss Breen.....**our Sports Partnership visiting teacher has resumed her weekly PE programme this week. She leads the Wednesday 'Wiggle' at Breakfast Club and a session in the playground at lunchtime in addition to the lessons.
- **Y5/6 Swimming.....**commences this Friday. The £4 weekly donation can be forwarded as cash or on Parent Pay. May I remind you that children with shoulder length hair or longer must wear a swimming hat – we have a supply in school should you wish to purchase one.

- **Week 1 e-safety focus.....**you may like to support your child's understanding and appreciation of the need to be safe on line by encouraging them to show you the sites they use and to talk with you about what games they play. That way you can ensure they are age-appropriate. You can set the parental controls on your child's computer, games console, phone, iPad etc too. Visit www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents for more information
- **13th September.....**is Roald Dahl's Day and for just £1 the children are welcome to come to school dressed up as a favourite Roald Dahl character. Please ensure sensible footwear /school shoes are worn. Everyone will have the opportunity to talk about their chosen character/Roald Dahl story. Each class will also participate in DEAR (drop everything and read) during the day. The money raised will go towards Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity.
- **Club Tropicana, Chapel-St-Leonards.....**swimming resumes on Thursday, 13th September - after school until 5:30pm. £1 per child. This is a fun swimming opportunity for Huttoft School/Nursery families. Please remember that the children must be supervised by an adult.
- **One way system around Church Lane.....**please may I remind you that to ease congestion around school for yourselves and for the residents of Church Lane, all school traffic should travel from Alford road into Church Lane, past the donkey sanctuary, in an easterly direction towards the A52. No parent/carer cars should use the cul-de-sac outside school, this is for staff vehicles. Thank you.
- **Uniform....**like you, we have had difficulty with delivery and accuracy of our order from Trutex, however items are starting to trickle through now and we are beginning to build up a stock again. Unfortunately as yet we have no coats and are reviewing our contract with our current supplier. If you wish to check what items we have available please do pop in at home time.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 25th September
Monday 1st October

Non-Competitive Sports Afternoon
Wrates individual/family group photographs

Week commencing:
Monday 17th September

Blocked Clubs begin

Community News

Meridale Centre's Youth Club is open every Tuesday 6:30–8:00pm in term time (starting 04.09.18) for children in Y4/5/6. Price £2.
Ring 01507 441481 for more details.

Morrisons Supermarket is supporting families with an autistic child(ren) by offering 9:00-10:00am each Saturday as a 'quieter shopping time'.

Saturday/Sunday 8/9th September St Margaret's Church Huttoft will be open 10:00am – 4:00pm for visitors. There's a quiz to complete!

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