



Howden le Wear Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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In this week's newsletter:

- ◆ Father's Day lunch this week;
- ◆ Non uniform day in aid of the Summer Fair.

Important dates / information for next week:

- ◆ Non uniform day next Friday - 22 July 2018.

It has been a busy week in school with two opportunities for parents and family members to be involved in school events. The first was our annual Father's Day lunch which took place on Wednesday in the school hall, with over 70 dads and grandads joining us to enjoy lunch with their younger family members. A big thank you to our kitchen staff for an excellent meal and we hope visitors enjoyed their lunch in school - wishing you all a Happy Father's Day for this Sunday! Please see a selection of photos of the event overleaf.

On Thursday afternoon, parents were invited to attend a whole school 'resilience' assembly which saw each class tell us about what they have been learning this year through our part in the Durham Resilience Project. Kay Clark, who leads the project, then spoke to parents at the end of the assembly about what resilience is and what they can do to promote and develop it in the home. Thank you to all those who took the time to attend.

Next Friday, we are hosting a non-uniform day in school where children can come to school for the day in their regular clothes. The purpose of this event is to support the school Summer Fair which is coming up on Friday 13 July. So instead of children making a financial donation towards the non-uniform day, we would be grateful if they could donate something that could be used as a tombola/raffle prize for the summer fair. This could include toiletries, toys, non-perishable foods, bottles etc. Please send any donations you have to school next Friday with your child. Thank you for your support with this.

Also next week, we are working with our local PCSO Abbie Wallace and the Neighbourhood Watch team to run a village litter pick. The focus of our litter pick will be the park/swing areas of Howden by the garage; a selection of children across school have volunteered to take part.

We are always seeking to improve our school in order to ensure that all aspects of our provision for your child / children, be they educational, social or personal, are the best they can be. We carry out regular evaluations in school but would also value your assistance in this process. We would be grateful if you could take the time to complete the attached questionnaire and return it to school at your earliest convenience, prior to Friday 29 June 2018. If you have more than one child attending our school, you may choose to complete a reply for each child or one to represent your family. If you would like to discuss any points raised, you are welcome to add your name to the bottom of the questionnaire to enable me to contact you; alternatively, you are welcome to contact me directly. Thank you for taking the time to complete this year's questionnaire. Your views and ideas will be analysed and shared with you via the school newsletter before the end of the academic year.

Finally, on Thursday this week we sent out letters to parents regarding the new class structure for the next academic year from September 2018. If you have not received a letter, please contact the school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr C Baines
Headteacher

For the most up to date information about what is going on in our school including dates for your diaries, parental information and school performance information, please visit our website at:

<http://www.howden-le-wear.durham.sch.uk>

Please scan your smartphone device over the QR code to the right to be taken straight to our school website!



Dates for your Diary

Monday 25 June to Friday 29 June - 'Fun and Fitness' week in school.

Tuesday 26 June - Sports Day at 1.30pm. All parents invited - weather permitting!

Wednesday 27 June - Nursery Sports Morning - times to be confirmed.

Friday 6 July - Pupil annual reports sent out to parents.

Wednesday 13 July - Parents' Consultation evening from 3.15pm to 5.30pm.

Friday 13 July - Friends of the School Summer Fair at 2pm.

Friday 20 July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly at 1.30pm.



Friday 20 July - School closes for Summer holidays at 3.05pm

Father's Day Lunch on Wednesday this week.



Children's Achievements In School

Every Friday, teachers choose a child from their class to be recognised for something special they have achieved that week. This week's chosen children are:

Mrs Wheatley's Nursery



Mrs Wheatley would like to congratulate **Jackson Brown** for his enthusiasm and great communication to problem solve and work as part of a group. Well done, Jackson!

Mrs Craig's Reception Class



Mrs Craig has nominated **Noah Fenly** this week for fantastic imaginative small world pirate play. Good job, Noah!

Miss Barton's Year 1 Class



Miss Barton would like to say a huge well done to **Amelia Todd** for working hard and going the extra mile to extend her learning. Great work, Amelia!

Mrs Gray's Year 2 Class



Mrs Gray would like a special mention for **Harley Bailey** for producing some pieces of fantastic independent writing this week. Well done, Harley!

Miss Nattrass's Year 3 Class



Miss Nattrass is delighted with **Noah Walls** for settling so well into his new class and completing everything he does with enthusiasm. Good effort, Noah!

Mrs Salkeld's Year 4/5 Class



Mrs Salkeld is really pleased with **Niamh Walls** for showing great resilience throughout the week in her new class. Well done Niamh, you have worked really hard!

Mrs Clark's Year 6 Class



Mrs Clark would like a special mention for **Layla Harrison** for some absolutely fantastic creative writing this week, linked to the World Cup. Awesome effort, Layla!



Well done to all our children this week for their fabulous effort and hard work in school.

