

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Message from Miss Caygill Head of School

Dear parents/carers,

Well done to our Y6 children and all the teachers and staff working with them this week. We are so proud of how well you have concentrated this week and know that you have all worked your very best on showing all that you know. We look forward to the next half term for all Y6 making special memories with us all at Hawes.

Across school exciting learning has continued in the wider curriculum. We continue, through our assemblies, to focus on World Religions, British Values and Protected Characteristics. These are areas that are building the personal development and understanding for all our children across school. It is also super to see through our assemblies the family feel of all the children across school. They all continue to talk about making our school the best place for the safety and well-being of all the children and staff. I am so proud of all the children who contribute successfully to the collective responsibility we share to develop this and make our school a safe and happy environment for all.

I hope you all have a super weekend and look forward to seeing you back in school next week.

Miss Caygill

This week's STAR LEARNERS



Class 1 – Bob for a super attitude to all his learning and Improving his knowledge and understanding throughout Esther for her continued perseverance with her learning and trying her best

Class 2- Archie for hard work and concentration when learning new concepts in maths.

Patrick for a fantastic poem with carefully chosen imagery.

Class 3 – Edwin for showing great interest in our Science topic- displaying excellent knowledge of different animals and **Harry Fo** for having a calm and brilliant manner towards the SATS – even with a broken thumb!

Attendance Class 1-87.34% Class 2-100% Well done! Class 3-95.88% Whole School-92.98%



Head of School Awards! Ella for her support and kindness to other children.

> All of Y6 for their amazing effort through SATs

Upcoming Dates



- Wednesday 22nd May Class 3 cycle training day in school re: competition
- Friday 24th May
- Break up for half term
- Monday 3rd June-Training day
- Tuesday 4th June-Children return to school
- Friday 7th June-No mutilskills Club.
- Friday 28th June Sports Day

Clubs for the Summerterm

<u>Monday-</u>Mindfulness Colouring Club 12:30-1pm Tuesday-Games Club (indoor and

outdoor) 12.30-1.00pm <u>Wednesday</u> – Gardening Club – 3:15 – 4:30pm

<u>Thursday</u> – Zumba – 3:15 – 4.15pm Library Club (for pupils & their families)– 3:15- 3.40pm

School Office Updates

Attendance - Reminder

We have continued to receive a greater number of requests for family holidays within the Summer Term. Please be aware that taking a pupil out of school during term time interrupts teaching and learning and has been proven by research to significantly disrupt educational progress.

Please note that penalty notices will be issued to parents/carers for unauthorised absence during this academic school year.

Free School Meals

If you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals, please click on the link below, even if your child receives the Universal Infant Free School Meals. If your application is successful, you child can receive free milk, dinners and also reduced costs for trips etc. <u>https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals</u>

Residential Balance

The Residential for Classes 2 and 3 is only 7.5 weeks away. Thank you to those parents who have paid the balance for the residential. Please ensure the balance is paid via Parentpay **before 28th June**. Thank you.

Pro-Ride Cycling training Y5/6

We are excited to announce that on Wednesday 22nd May all Year 5 and 6 children will be taking part in a pro-ride cycle day, run by an ex-cycling champion, Phil Bateman. The children will need a bike of their own in school for the event. Bikes can be brought into school that morning **and collected at the end of the day**. The children will need to wear their PE kits with leggings and tracksuit bottoms, they will also need their own water bottle for the event. The eight fastest children from the heats will go on to take part in a cluster competition at Le Cateau Primary in Catterick on Friday 21st June.

Careers Opportunities/Education

We are hoping to explore careers and opportunities for our children in school to understand the paths people take to gain their qualifications and jobs after leaving school. We are asking for your help in identifying anyone who would be able to give up half an hour to come into school to talk to children about their career paths and add some information on the jobs they do. This may be an assembly time with the whole school or more focused working with a smaller group or class across the school. The children may also like to ask questions about careers to help them understand the routes people take to their chosen career.

Please come into school and speak to Miss Caygill (or e-mail the school office) if you or someone you know would be able to come and talk to our children about their jobs/careers and then we can arrange a group size and time that would best suit you. We are aiming to develop our children's understanding of how they are part of the modern changing world and equip them for their future career plans. This is an important aspect for our children at Hawes and their Personal Development, which is covered partly through our PSHE Curriculum but can also be enhanced by your help. Thank You.

<u>Music</u>

Last Thursday, the children were treated to a wonderful musical demonstration from instrumental teachers from North Yorkshire County Music Service. The children's enthusiasm and engagement with the session was wonderful to see. Many children expressed an interest in learning to play an instrument. Lessons are available on the following instruments: Woodwind – Clarinet, Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Saxophone, Recorder, Piccolo Brass – Trumpet, Cornet, Trombone, Tuba, French Horn, Tenor Horn, Euphonium Strings – Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass Guitar, Electric Guitar, Electric Bass Drum Kit, Tuned and Un-tuned Percussion Keyboard and Piano Voice *If the music teacher feels that an instrument other than the one you have chosen is more suitable due to age or circumstance, their instrumental Lead team will advise alternative options.* For more information and to sign up for lessons, please visit the website via the link below: <u>https://northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk/request-lessons-with-the-music-service/</u>

Photo Gallery

Music Demo by NYC Music Service



Message from Mrs Walker – Executive Head teacher

SATs and assessments

This week I have enjoyed being in school every day to help with and oversee the Year 6 SATs (standard assessment tests). These tests are set for all schools in England each year by the Department of Education and results are published nationally. They help provide a benchmark against which to measure pupils' progress and school achievement in the core subjects of English (Reading, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling) and Maths. At Hawes, we see them as one part of our overall assessment of each pupils' learning journey over their time with us. Over the week, it has been brilliant to see our 9 amazing Year 6s tackle their daily tests with such a confident and conscientious attitude. They absolutely have taken everything in their stride and kept on smiling throughout and encouraging each other. This is also testament to the excellent preparation from their teachers, Mrs Brown and Mrs Marwood, and dedicated support from teaching assistants, Mrs Metcalfe and Mrs Guy. A HUGE well done everyone! We are so proud of you!

Also, assessments have been happening in Class 1 this week for our Year 2 pupils. These make use of nationallypublished test materials which again help us to benchmark pupils' achievements and progress. In a change from previous years and unlike for Year 6, Year 2 assessments are no longer statutory and results will not be published this year, but our YCAT group of schools have decided to continue to make use of them to support our wider assessment processes. As in Year 6, our Year 2 pupils have tackled their assessments with confidence and we are very proud of the way they are demonstrating their learning.

We will keep you informed as further assessments come up across school and outcomes will be shared with parents and carers via our end of Summer Term reports. Many thanks to all of you at home for your continued support of your children's learning; the best outcomes are always gained through school working in close partnership with our families. If you have any questions about assessment or any other aspect of our curriculum, please do get in touch with myself, Miss Caygill or our class teachers.

I hope everyone enjoys a wonderfully well-deserved weekend of sunshine and family time!