



# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Summer Term ~ Issue 1 ~ Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## Message from Mrs Brown *Acting Head of School*

### Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to a new school year! I hope that you all had a wonderful holiday spending quality time with family and friends. The children all seem to have grown so much over the holidays and have all looked so smart coming back into school. It was a real pleasure to see their smiling faces on Tuesday.

It has been lovely welcoming our new Nursery children to the school as well as seeing everyone settling into their new classes and year groups – something they have all done with such positivity. The classrooms have all had a happy buzz of learning and community with lots of recapping of knowledge to ease our brains back into action!

I know that many people have asked after Miss Caygill. You will all be pleased to hear that she is recovering well from her surgery and I know that you will join us all in sending her our very best wishes.

We continue to be supported this year by Mrs Nayler, who will be in school each Wednesday. However, if you have anything you need to discuss, please do come and see myself, or your child's class teacher.

Have a relaxing weekend.

**Mrs Brown**

## *This week's* **STAR LEARNERS**



**Class 1 – Theo** for having such a positive attitude to learning and being so kind and helpful to Mrs Brown.

**Euan** – for taking on new challenges and tackling all of his learning with a 'can do' attitude. Keep it up.

**Class 2 – Bob** for a super transition to Key Stage 2: confident, considerate and positive. Well done

**Finn** – for an excellent start to Year 4 and taking on new responsibilities.

**Class 3 – Patrick** for being an excellent role model for the rest of the school.

**Olivia** for making an excellent start to the new school year here at Hawes.

### Attendance for the week

**Class 1 - 90.15%**

**Class 2 - 83.33%**

**Class 3 - 98.48%**

**Whole School - 90.07%**

**Head of School  
Trophy**

**Harper Ellis**

**For spreading  
positivity all around  
school this week.**

### Upcoming Dates

#### CLUBS

**Monday-** Gardening Club 3.15-4.15pm

**Tuesday** – Bird Watching Club 12:30-

**Wednesday-** Music/choir -12.30-1pm

**Thursday** – Library Club 3.15 – 4pm & Zumba – 3:15 – 4.15pm

**Friday-Multi-skills with Mr. B 3.15-4.30**

**Swimming** – starts Weds 10<sup>th</sup> September

**Little People Big Dreams Day** – 18<sup>th</sup> September

**Wensleydale School Open Evening** – 24<sup>th</sup> September 6pm

## School Office Updates

### **Parent Governor needed!**

In September we will be looking to recruit a parent governor. Please have a think about this exciting opportunity to support our school on its journey forward. Details will be following in September.

**Thank you to Mike Hirst who has been a governor at Hawes for eight years. He has supported school successfully throughout this time, especially with health and safety over the years and we wish him well.**

### **PE days for Autumn Term.**

Children are asked to come to school in their PE kits on PE Days with appropriate length shorts and suitable footwear. The PE days are as follows:

Class 1 (Rec-Y2)-Thursday Zumba and Friday Multiskills (including new Nursery children)

Class 2- Friday Multiskills

Class 3- Friday Multiskills

Wednesday will be swimming (see below) for all KS2 where they will need their swimming equipment in a bag but normal school uniform should be worn.

For sporting afterschool clubs appropriate PE kits will be worn for school on that day (see Clubs information below)

### **Clubs September 2025**

**Yoga will start after October half term on a Monday when gardening club finishes as Mrs Scarr can no longer do the club on a Tuesday.**

**Monday** – Gardening Club (all)

**Thursday**-Streetdance /Zumba (Y3-Y6) **Please note-Zumba in schooltime will be for KS1 only as KS2 are swimming. KS2 please join the after school club for your weekly Zumba!**

**Library** will be open on a Thursday night from **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September until 4pm.** This is open to pupils and parents to browse and have a biscuit!

**Friday**-Multi-skills through Mr. Bullock (All age groups)-**Please note this will not start until Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

We will carry forward the children who are already signed up to a club, to September unless you tell us otherwise.

Please let us know if your child would like to start one or more of the clubs in September. These are a super opportunity to explore a range of different activities to enhance the learning of your children. Mr. Bullock has attached a form to this newsletter for Multiskills club.

### **Swimming lessons for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6**

As part of the national curriculum, children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will start their annual swimming lessons at Catterick Leisure Centre on Wednesday 10 September 2025. This is a ten week block and the last lessons will take place on 19 November 2025 (there will be no lesson Wednesday 29 October due to half-term).

The total cost of these lessons (including instructors and transport) is **£3,078.63**. In order to help reduce the cost of the parental contribution as much as possible, the PFTA has kindly donated £600 and £680 has been paid for via the Sports Grant.

The school receives no extra funding for the swimming curriculum, and we are therefore requesting a parental contribution of £75.00 for the 10 week lessons (£7.50 per week) via your child's Parent Pay account. The contribution can be made in full or instalments set by the parent by Friday 31 October 2025.

A paper consent was sent out on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> /4<sup>th</sup> September 25 via book bags, and we would be grateful if it could be returned by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 25 prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> swimming lesson next week.

Pupils that usually have school bus transport home will need to be collected by parents at 4.00 pm as last year.

### **Year 6 – The Wensleydale School Open Evening**

There is an attached invitation to all Year 6 parents and students from The Wensleydale School, inviting you to attend their Open Evening.

### **School Main Gates – Car Park Entrance**

On our daily checks we have found both the top and bottom main school gates left open several times this week. Please ensure that as you leave the school the gate is secure as they are there for the safeguarding of pupils and staff.

## **Attendance - Reminder**

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

Please note that fixed term penalty notices will continue to be issued to parents/carers for unauthorised absence during the next academic school year. These are issued by NYC and school receives no financial benefit from them.

## **A Message from NYCC about the Hawes Town Investment Plan Consultation**

North Yorkshire County Council are developing a new plan for Hawes and we want your voices to be at the heart of it:

- What do you love about living in or visiting Hawes?
- What would you do to make it an even better place to live and work?
- How do you see the town evolving over the next 5-10 years?

Please come and talk to us on Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup> to help us identify the biggest challenges and the most exciting opportunities to improve the town, enhance the environment and create spaces that support and benefit everyone.

Community drop in session: 3:30pm – 5pm Market House, Hawes

Business drop in session: 6pm – 7.30pm Market House, Hawes

There is also an online survey that can be found here:

<https://online1.snapsurveys.com/7zccky>

## **Dream Big Day! Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

At school we love the Little People Big Dreams Books and the inspiring stories within them. This year we are joining in with the official worldwide Dream Big Celebration, celebrating the limitless potential of every young mind.

We would like children to come to school dressed as someone that inspires them. It could be someone from the Book Series or someone else. We will also be inviting parents to join us in the hall for some fun activities alongside your child. 9.30- 10.15 – Class 1 and 11.00 – 11.45 – Class 2 and 3. There will still be Zumba in the afternoon for class 1. Here's a few suggestions to get you inspired.



The Photo gallery will resume next week!