

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



## Summer Term ~ Issue 8~ Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## Message from Mrs Brown Acting Head of School

#### Dear parents and carers,

What a busy and fun filled first half term it has been and this week was no exception!

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for our Harvest assembly on Tuesday and a huge thank you to Rev. Dave and Mrs Clarke for coming to lead this for us. The generosity of families in their donations for the foodbank was hugely appreciated by everyone and will make a big difference to the community.

There has been great excitement in EYFS this week as they have been busily hunting for the gingerbread man who has escaped and been spotted all over Hawes! We do hope that they manage to catch him before the week is out!

On Tuesday, KS2 were given a dark nights safety talk by the fire brigade learning about being safe and seen, especially around dusk as the nights are drawing in. Please do make sure if you are cycling to school that you have lights and reflectors on your bike or if you are walking you have something reflective on your bag or coat.

Finally, a thank you from me to you all for your kindness and patience this half term. We are all very excited that Miss Caygill will be back on a phased return after the holidays making the Hawes family complete again.

Wishing you all a wonderful half term with lots of relaxation and family time.

**Mrs Brown** 

## This week's STAR LEARNERS

**Class 1 – Oakley** for fluent and clear reading. Well done. **Jack** for writing a super story using adjectives, verbs and accurate punctuation.



**Class 2 – Sebastianas** for trying his best when using new maths strategies this term.

**Quinn** – for being curious and asking thoughtful questions.

Class 3 – Olivia for great skills when using tools in DT.

Patrick for a good understanding of Prime Numbers.

#### Attendance for the week

Class 1 - 87.44%

Class 2 - 95.38%

Class 3 - 90.83%

Whole School - 90.65%

## **Upcoming Dates**

#### **CLUBS**

Monday- Music/choir

-12.30-1pm

Gardening Club

-3.15-4.15pm

<u>Tuesday</u> – Mindful Colouring Club

-12:30 pm

**Thursday –** Library Club 12.30pm and 3.15 – 3.45pm & Zumba – 3:15

- 4.15pm

Friday-Multi-skills with Mr. B

<u>-</u>3.15-4.30 pm

**Swimming** – Weds 10<sup>th</sup> September until 19<sup>th</sup> November 25. Please collect children at 4.00 pm.

## Head of School Trophy

Indie Huntbach for being kind and supportive and always willing to help others.

### **School Office Updates**

#### **KS2 Hockey**

Congratulations to Year 5 and 6 who all took part in a hockey tournament at Wensleydale school yesterday. They all represented the school brilliantly. It was especially lovely to see children returning to school with medals for sportsmanship.

#### **Carve your Pumpkin Happy**

Thank you to everyone for your INCREDIBLE pumpkins. They were all amazing and the judges found it very hard to choose winners. Congratulations to Teddy and Isaac who won the EYFS/KS1 prizes and to Betsy and Zara who were the KS2 winners.

#### **Switch from Scholar Pack to Arbor**

Over half term, all YCAT schools are making a switch from Scholar Pack over to a new administration system called Arbor. This should happen automatically and after half term parents will receive new log ins for the new system. We will keep you updated with this. Please continue to use Scholar Pack until further information is given.

#### **Poppy Appeal**

We will be supporting the Royal British Legion selling poppies, wristbands and other items. Please bring a donation of at least **50p per item.** They will be on sale at break time from Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October and first week back after half term.

#### **Halloween Party**

The PTFA are having a Halloween party on **24**<sup>th</sup> **October 2025. 6.00pm – 8.00pm** at Hawes market Hall. Entry £3.00 per child. Children should be accompanied by an adult.

#### **PTFA Non Uniform Day**

The PTFA have organised a non-uniform day for **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November.** They are asking the children to bring a chocolate donation for the very popular Chocolate Tombola they run each year at the Christmas Fayre. The PTFA play a key role in funding school trips and events so please do support them as much as you can.

Also the PTFA – are also on the look out for bottles of wine (with screw tops please) for the wine & water stall.

#### **PTFA Raffle Tickets**

The PTFA are sending home tonight in book bags raffle tickets for the Christmas Draw, it would be appreciated if you could sell these to raise money for the PTFA funds, the raffle is to be drawn on Saturday 22 November 2025 at Hawes Market Hall.

#### **Bags for School**

PTFA have organised for Bags to School they are coming again on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November, a leaflet will of come home in your child's book bag. It is an ideal opportunity for a declutter while helping the PTFA raise money at the same time, we thank you for your continued support, please share this with family and friends too.

#### Flu Jabs

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2025, the NHS will be in school for Flu Jabs. Please ensure you have filled in the relevant consent form, attached again in the Flu information leaflet.

#### **Term Time Holidays**

We have an increasing number of families asking for holidays in term time. This is not encouraged as it creates gaps in children's knowledge. You can find government guidance here: Parents for taking children out of school: What you need to know - The Education Hub

#### **COMPETITIONS TO ENTER OVER HALF TERM**

#### **Hawes Christmas Lights Art Competition**

This year's theme is Christmas or Winter. You can design an artwork of your choice using any medium- paint, crayon, pencil, felt tip etc. There will be a prize for the winner of each class and the overall winner wins The Regg Fagg Trophy and will also be the cover of December's Upper Wensleydale Newsletter. Please see the attached flyer. **Entries to school by 19<sup>th</sup> November.** 

#### **Little White Bus Christmas Card Competition**

Please see the attached information about the Little White Bus Christmas Card Competition.

## **Photo Gallery – The Gingerbread Man!**



















