

# Newsletter

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# A Message from the Head Teacher

As the longer, sunny days start to creep in, we race towards the end of the school year; with lots of fun and exciting events to look forward to. Our Year 3 and 4s are travelling down to York for an extended day visit, Our Year 5 and 6s are off to their residential in Lockerbie, The Federation Sports Day is fast approaching as is our Federation Beach visit. The next Workshop Wednesday will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July and children spend time with their teacher for next year on 4<sup>th</sup> July. For further details, please see 'dates for the diary' on page 3.

We want to thank our parents for continuing to support enrichment opportunities and visits outside of school; we try and subsidise as much as we can out of our limited school budget and realise that we cannot do such wonderful activities with the children without your support.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, apparently summer weather is on the way...

Best wishes, Mr Glenton

# **Congratulations!** Miss Keith

We are excited to tell you that, in the summer holidays, our lovely Miss Keith will be getting married! We wish her a lovely day with lots of sunshine and when she returns



to school, she will be Mrs Turnbull.

Congratulations to them both!

# **Congratulations! Mrs Mowbray**



We are over-joyed to also inform you that our wonderful Mrs Mowbray will be welcoming another bundle of joy into her family over the Summer holidays. We wish her and her growing family all the best. Mrs Mowbray will be on maternity leave for part of next year.

### Tyne Class

In Tyne class we have enjoyed listened to the story 'Handa's Surprise'. The children have been fantastic remembering the key parts of the story by matching the animals to a certain fruit. In Maths the children have been learning all about money. The children enjoyed thinking about where money comes from and what we need money for. We soon realised we need money for a lot of different things. The children have developed an understanding of naming different amounts of money and we are starting to count money above 10p. At home you can support your child's learning by playing different role play games with money or play a toy shop game online: <u>Toy Shop Money Game (GBP) -</u>

### Thames Class

Thames class have started to look at length and height in Maths. We have used standard and non-standard units of measurement to order and compare using the language, taller, shorter and longer. We can practise measuring at home using different objects or a ruler. In English we have been imagining we have our own fairy godmother to write a story. In Science we have looked at micro-habitats and discussed why they are an important part of food chains. In RE we have been identifying which places are special to Christians and Jewish people and naming significant objects in their place of worship.

#### Rhine Class

This week in Rhine Class, we have been completing and editing our plays in English. It was good to be able to act some of them out to help us see what was missing. We have also been continuing our work on adding inverted commas to texts. In Maths, Year 3 have been completing their work on capacity and mass and Year 4 have been reading charts and graphs. In Design and Technology, we have been working on our greenhouses. We have started to create our designs out of wood. In P.E., we have been practising for our sports day, doing athletics with Mr Hill. In R.E., we have been researching different religious ceremonies and in Science, we have made some electric circuits. It would be advantageous if you could speak about where electricity comes from and how it gets into your home - as well as some of the ways of keeping safe around electricity.

#### Nile Class

In Year 5 and 6 the children are currently working alongside two artists to produce a diorama out of paper. The diorama will be displayed in school and the focus will be nature and looking at buildings around the North East. So far, the children have cut out a selection of leaves to add to the diorama, looking at how to create patterns on the leaves by weaving paper of making paper cuts. Please discuss with your child what local landmarks could be included in the diorama.



### **Our School Promise**

Our School Promise reminds us of our vision and values that we hold dear at The West Tyne Church Schools Federation.

Well done to the following children for achieving their awards:

Resilience & Teamwork Award - Freddie G, Arthur

Etiquette Award – Ollie C

Environmental Award – Ellie

Kindness Award – Ivy

Friendship Award – Miah



### Attendance - our target is 96%

Each and every day your child is in school counts. It helps them to remember their prior learning from the day before but also build on this learning the next day. Thank you for your continued support by ensuring your child is in school every day to give them the best education and life chances

Tyne - 86.7% Thames - 97.7% Rhine - 95.5% Nile - 83.8%

Whole School - 91.7%

### Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5 & 6 visit to Apple Store at the Metrocentre Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Year 3 & 4 Temple workshop at school Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Workshop Wednesday, 2pm to 3pm, all families welcome Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July - Move up day; children spend a day with their next years' teacher Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July - Art unveiling - Visit to Bardon Mill Train Station Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July - Lockerbie Residential for Years 5 and 6 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July - Federation Sports Day & Summer Fair at the Wentworth- 1-3pm Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July - Leavers Assembly in school - 2.30pm (more details to follow) Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July - Year 3 & 4 visit to Yorvik Centre, York Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July - Wisit from Northumberland Library; Summer competition Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July - Whole Federation Beach visit to South Shields

SUMMER HOLIDAYS! We look forward to welcoming you back on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September

## Save the date: Sports Day and Summer Fair!

Our Federation Sports day will take place at The Wentworth Leisure Centre in Hexham on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July** from 1pm to 3pm. A letter will be sent out next week with further details.

# Organisation for next year

Please find below our staff organisation for next year. The children continue to enjoy small class sizes which allow us to carefully tailor our curriculum, teaching and learning expertly to your children.

	Teacher	Teaching Assistant
Reception	Mrs Alberts (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)	Mrs Connolly (M-W)
	Mrs J (Thursday, Friday & every other Wednesday)	Mrs Bell (Th - F)
Year 1 and 2	Mrs Olsson	Mrs Bell (M-T) Mrs Turnbull (W-F)
Year 3 and 4	Mrs Clarke	Mrs Jameson
Year 5 and 6	Mrs Munro	Mrs Hall

Mrs Bowes will be covering teacher non-contact time in Year 1.2 and 3.4. We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Crawford back next academic year and also welcoming our new Reception teacher, Mrs Jameson (children will call her Mrs J, to distinguish her from our other Mrs Jameson!)

**Mrs Connolly** will also be joining our Reception team on a Monday through to Wednesday, she has many years' experience working with primary aged children.

# A message from Mrs Jameson (Mrs J!)

My name is Mrs Jameson (Mrs J!) and I am so excited be joining Henshaw Primary School in September. I am passionate about early education and I have worked in Early Years for the majority of my career. I have two small children of my own at home and feel very lucky to be able to continue teaching while also spending time with my own children by working part time, sharing the classroom with the lovely



Mrs Alberts. Some of you may recognise my face as I have briefly worked at Henshaw Primary School in the past. I am so looking forward to seeing the children again and getting to know the children and families that I have not yet met. In my spare time, I love to be outside with my family and I am also a keen baker. I hope you all have a lovely summer, enjoying the things that you love to do and I look forward to seeing you soon.