



# Huby CE Primary School Weekly Newsletter

'Whatever you do work at it with all your heart' Colossians 3:23

**Autumn Term 1**

**Friday 6th September 2024**

I hope this first newsletter of our new school year finds you all well.

I have had such a lovely start in my first week at Huby CofE Primary School and been so impressed by the warmth and kindness that has been shown to me by the whole Huby family. The children have shone and the first four days have flown by. The opportunity to meet so many parents, carers and families at drop-off has been a marvellous bonus.

My goal is to ensure that every child not only achieves academically but also grows and is nurtured by our Christian values. I believe that education works best when schools and families work together. Over the coming few weeks, I will be getting in touch and asking for your thoughts about our fabulous little village school.

Mrs Sandbach

## Herons Bookings

Herons bookings can be made online up to 2pm the day before the place is required. If you need a place after that time please call or email the school office to check availability. Our staffing is planned around the bookings that we have and the ratios of adults to children required.

Our four school Christian values remain **FRIENDSHIP, PERSEVERANCE, COURAGE** and **RESPECT**. Each half term this year we will have a different value as the theme for our Collective Worship. We start the autumn term with **THANKFULNESS**.

**School Council and House Captains elections** take place next week. Each year group (Year 1 to 6) elect a school councillor every year. Our school council last year organised charity fundraisers, projects around the school and put forward the ideas of their peers. Our four houses—**Byland, Rievaulx, Bolton and Fountains**— will be electing Year 6 captains and vice captains next week.

### Autumn Term Attendance

Robins:	96.19%
Kingfishers:	94.33%
Snowy Owls:	95.83%
Tawny Owls:	95.54%
Red Kites:	97.62%
<b>Whole School:</b>	<b>95.97%</b>

### Advance Notice—Statutory Tests 2025

KS2 (Year 6)	w/c 12th May
Phonics Screening (Year 1)	w/c 9th June
Multiplication Check (Year 4)	2-13th June

### Awards

Robins:	All of Robins
Kingfishers:	Felix
Tawny Owls:	Amy
Snowy Owls:	Libby
Red Kites:	Lola
Headteacher:	All pupils

### Diary Dates

Thursday 12th September	Open the Book collective worship
Friday 13th September	Owls and Kingfishers start Forest Quest (Fridays)
Wednesday 18th September	Phonics parents information meeting (Nursery, Reception and Y1) 3:30pm
Wednesday 25th September	Bikeability (group 1) Year 6
Friday 27th September	Bikeability (group 2) Year 6
Monday 30th September	Bikeability (group 3) Year 6
Thursday 3rd October	Build a Burger themed school lunch
Thursday 10th October	Y2, Y5 & Y6 NSPCC workshops
Monday 14th October	School flu immunisations (am)
Thursday 24th October	School closes for half-term (1 week) at 3:30pm
Friday 25th October	Staff training day. No pupils in school.
Monday 4th November	Pupils return to school.
Thursday 7th November	All Owls to York Gallery (full day)
Thursday 14th November	Peat Rigg residential information evening for parents/carers
Monday 9th December	Peat Rigg residential (4 nights) for Red Kites (Y5/6)
Friday 20th December	School closes for Christmas (2 weeks) at 3:30pm

### Times Tables

There has been some amazing work on times tables, at home, over the summer holidays. By the end of Year 4, children should know their times tables up to 12x12. They should be able to recall these quickly and this is assessed in their statutory multiplication check in June. Without this rapid recall children can find Year 5 and 6 maths really challenging (for example, fractions and percentages). This recall requires lots of practise at home in addition to school. We also encourage Y3 to master their times tables as soon as possible and they should all now be able to quickly recall x2, x3, x4, x5, x8 and x10, by the end of the year. **Please keep practising every day.**

Brown envelopes were sent home with the children yesterday (Y6 will bring theirs today). These include the information that we hold on record for the children, including contact details. Please check these and return them to school as soon as possible, even if you are confirming that they are correct.

### Forest Quest

The children in **Kingfisher** and **Owl** classes start Forest Quest on **Friday 13th September**. For these sessions the children should wear clothes that are suitable for outdoors and getting mucky. Long trousers, leggings and joggers are best as are long sleeved tops as these prevent the children from getting stung or scratched. Please check the weather carefully each week and make sure that your child is dressed appropriately. The Kingfishers should come to school in their PE kits and bring their Forest Quest clothes to get changed into as they will be going in the afternoon. The Owls will be going to Forest Quest in the morning and will need PE kit for the afternoon.