



# Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Dear Parents & Carers,

Everybody is really settling into the routines of their new classes and we are so proud of how well the children are caring, aspiring and excelling in all that they do. The quality of work we are seeing in books, attitudes in lessons and the atmosphere around school is incredibly positive – well done everyone!

Next week we have a few events to look forward to – as part of European Day of Languages on Monday, Mrs. Webster has organised a ‘French Petit Dejeuner’ for Monday morning. Your child can order a French snack at break-time from our ‘pop up café’ for the price of 50p (we will put any profit towards our Modern Foreign Languages resources in school.)

Our staff have also had a very busy week. On Monday our staff meeting was led by an art consultant named Lorna Hazelwood who gave us exciting strategies to plan ahead for our art week later in the half-term, and on Thursday the whole staff undertook Health and Safety training after-school. I think both children and staff are ready for a restful weekend!

Have a super weekend,

Mr Donaldson

### Reminders

- Please send in or email a photograph of your child with their ‘Special People’
- If you have any old white shirts at home, we’d be very grateful!
- 50p on Monday if you wish for your child to have a breakfast snack for our Day of Languages.

### Safeguarding Reminder

Safeguarding is at the heart of all we do. Just a reminder that Safeguarding policies, including our Child Protection Policy, can be found on the school website [www.huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk/keyinformation/safeguarding/](http://www.huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk/keyinformation/safeguarding/)

Key Safeguarding contacts within school are:

- Mr Donaldson (Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mr Cope (Deputy Safeguarding Lead) or
- Mrs Wyatt (Safeguarding Governor)

Thank you for your support.

### Cross Country

All children in Key Stage 2 will be taking part in the Cross Country event at Richmond School on Thursday – it is great to have sports events starting to happen again. I’m sure the children will let you know how they have got on!



### Let’s Celebrate!



	Robin Class (R/Y1)	Kingfisher Class (Y2)	Partridge Class (Y3/4)	Woodpecker Class (Y5/6)
Above & Beyond (Care – Aspire – Excel)	Theo	Rafe	Georgia	Riley
Writer of the Week	Abigail	Evie	Jude	Darcey
Mathematician of the Week	Livy	Rafe	Isaac	Joshua
Tidy Classroom	Woodpeckers			
Team Point Winners	Middleham			

### Diary Dates

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Who</u>	<u>What next?</u>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	European Day of Languages	Everyone	Details sent
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Cross Country – Richmond School	Partridges & W'pecker	Details sent
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Foxglove Covert Visit	K'fishers & W'peckers	Details to follow
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	School Photographer	Everyone	Details to follow
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Phonics / Spelling Morning	Parents	Details to follow
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Foxglove Covert Visit	Robins & Partridges	Details to follow
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Parents Evenings	Parents	Details to follow
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Pumpkin Parade	Everyone	Parents Informed
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Art Gallery for Parents	Parents	Details to follow
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Skip2bFit	Everyone	Details to follow
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Robinwood Parents Meeting – 5pm	Y5/6 Parents	Details to follow
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Darlington Hippodrome Pantomime Visit	Everyone	Details to follow

#### Safety at the front of school

Please be mindful of completing 'three point turns' at the front of school – there seems to be an increased number of cars completing this maneuver and we'd like to avoid any accidents. Many thanks!

#### P.E & Forest School Reminder

P.E kits should be brought to school on a Monday and kept until a Friday in a drawstring bag. Robin Class and Kingfisher Class require a pair of wellies and a waterproof coat on a Tuesday afternoon for their Forest School session. Please ask your child's class teacher if you have any questions about the above.

#### Around the Classes...

**Robin Class:** Robins have begun exploring atlases, amps and globes this week. We are trying to locate the UK - we think it looks a little bit like a dragon shape! Can you find it on maps at home? Reception children have begun to learn their sounds and are starting to use them to read short words. In Year 1, we have been writing a woodland description inspired by Goldilocks and the Gruffalo.

**Kingfisher Class:** We have really been flexing our writing muscles this week. We have adapted and changed the story of, 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' and the results were fabulous. In Maths we have continued to investigate place value and get to grips with creative partitioning. A super time was had at Forest School on Tuesday with lots of 'stick pets' and Kingfisher Class been super role models for our younger children. I'm very proud of how hard everyone has worked over the last three weeks! Keep it up.

**Partridge Class:** We have had another excellent week in Partridge class. In our English, we have begun looking at our story 'Stone Age Boy'. We made some excellent predictions and have had great fun acting out parts of the story! In maths we have continued with our place value topic, we are becoming experts at partitioning numbers!

**Woodpecker Class:** This week, Woodpecker Class have produced some brilliant descriptive writing, experimenting with contrasting vocabulary to describe both beautiful and gloomy settings. In maths, we have continued to work on our place value skills with a particular focus on rounding. We have also enjoyed comparing life cycles in science and practicing a variety of different types of passes in netball. Mr Cope and Mrs Donnelly continue to be impressed with their hard work and attitude!

#### Lunches

Why not try one of delicious school lunches provided by our new meals provider, Taylor Shaw?

The menu is too vast (and tasty!) to include on our newsletter but can be found on the school website:

<http://huntonarrathorne.n-yorks.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Autumn-Menu-HA.pdf>