

HURSTHEAD INFANT SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 5

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Dear Parents

It has been a very busy and fun filled half term, which seems to be flying by! The children thoroughly enjoyed swapping books during World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March with many interesting discussions about plots, characters and illustrations. Thank you for all your support from home – it was genuinely heart warming to see the children so animated and enthusiastic about books and reading. The Year 1 pupils have enjoyed the visiting “Toys in School” workshops on March 13th and 14th, and took pride in producing their own wooden toy. Year 2 pupils had fun during their Easter visit to Ford’s Lane Church on Thursday 23rd March and are especially excited to end learning on their current theme of “Mighty Mountains” with a static climbing wall in school on Friday 31st March – which teachers will they ‘challenge’ to have a try?? We are all looking forward to seeing each others mad hair styles on Friday 24th March when we will be raising money for Red Nose Day.

Please find dates below and events for the rest of the half term and next half term.

Wednesday 29 th March	3-15 – 4pm – “Walk the Walls” (Open Afternoon) for current parents – please see below
Thursday 30 th March	9am Birthday Assembly for birthdays from 27/3 to 16/4 inclusive Pm – Year 2 Music Festival (see below) 6pm End of Key Stage One assessment meeting for Year 2 parents
Friday 31 st March	9am Easter Assembly led by the Reception pupils Visiting static climbing wall for Year 2 pupils School closes for Easter holidays
Tuesday 18 th April	Return to school
Tuesday 25 th April	“Thumbs Up Time” 8-40 – 8-55am
Thursday 27 th April	PSA discos 4 – 7-30pm
Monday 1 st May	School Closed – Bank Holiday
Tues 2 nd , Wed 3 rd , Fri 5 th May	Learning Review Meetings for Reception parents
Thursday 4 th May	School Closed – Elections
Friday 5 th May	9am Eco Assembly – led by Year 1 pupils
Saturday 13 th May	PSA May Fair
Friday 26 th May	School closes for Whit holidays

1. “Walk the Walls” for parents – Wednesday 29th March 3.15 – 4pm

The school will be open from 3.15 – 4.00pm on Wednesday 29th March for current parents and pupils to have the opportunity of enjoying the classroom and school displays. The teaching staff and children work hard to make the classrooms stimulating environments and we are sure your child(ren) will be very proud to share their classrooms with you.

2 Music Festival – Thursday 30th March

Hursthead Infant School will again be hosting the Cheadle Hulme Music Festival for Year Two pupils. This is an annual event which takes place during the school day and involves Year 2 pupils from local schools coming together for an afternoon of music, singing and fun. Mrs Henderson-Wild, LA Music Advisory teacher, will be leading this event. Listen out for Year Two pupils singing songs from a musical called “Sunflower in My Supper”

3 Birthday Assembly – week commencing Monday 1st May

Please note there will be no Birthday Assembly the week commencing Monday 1st May. Birthdays between Monday 1st May and Sunday 7th May will be celebrated on Friday 12th May. Please contact the School Office if this is not convenient.

4 Infant / Junior Class Liaison

Infant and Junior classes have been greatly enjoying their liaison 'buddy class' sessions. Reception is linked to Year Three, Year One to Year Four and Year Two to Year Five. The activities undertaken are fun, and, as well as familiarising the Infant children with the Junior School, provide excellent social and mentoring interaction between pupils. Infant pupils are also benefitting from Year Six playleaders who organise fun games and activities during lunchtimes each week in the Infant playground.

5 Lost Property Reminder

Our lost property bin is located outside, under Class 7s window. If your child has lost any items recently could you please check the bin as soon as possible. Please ensure that all items of clothing, lunch boxes etc are clearly marked or labelled so that we can reunite them with their owner promptly. At the end of each half term our bin will be emptied and any unmarked items will be donated to charity. Thank you for your assistance.

6 Sainsbury's Vouchers

We are again collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. Please send them into school via your child. Thank you for your help.

7 After School

Please can all parents ensure that their children are fully supervised after school. There have been instances of pupils requiring medical assistance due to falls and games being played beyond the sight of supervising adults. Elm Cottage require the school playground from 3-30pm and I respectively ask parents to help limit any Health and Safety risk by ensuring the school gates can be locked at this time. Thank you for your assistance.

Mrs J Driscoll
Headteacher