



Weekly Newsletter



Summer term – Issue 37 – Friday 23rd July 2021

Dear parents and families

As we finish this academic year, another very challenging one, we would like to say a massive *THANK YOU* to everyone!

We thought, we hoped, that things would be a bit more 'normal'- a new normal- when we returned in September and for three months our 'new normal' with the Covid restrictions worked well. The children returned to school and were very keen to learn and they worked really hard every day.

Then, we started 2021 and were plunged into lockdown and faced remote learning. Parents were working from home and teachers were teaching the keyworker children in school and managing a remote curriculum and lessons via teams. And Team Hawes gave their very best to your children!

School reopened again in March 2021 for 3 weeks, then it was the Easter holidays. This was quite unsettling for the children as it was yet again another change. When they returned to school at the end of April, we found that we needed to re-teach how to get along with other people and play together- which staff did and everything and everyone settled down.

Alongside everyone working hard and catching up, the summer term enjoyed a few extra-curricular activities: skateboarding, scooters, football tricks, visits to the Dales Museum and Mr B's Sports challenges.

So, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you, parents and families, for your continued support over the past year. We recognise that it has been hard for everyone.

We would also like to thank Team Hawes who particularly pulled together through a difficult Spring Term. A special mention should go to Miss Caygill who led the team in Miss Vasey's absence (ably supported by Dawn).

We would also like to thank Governors for their support over the past year and who have become a 'dab-hand' at having meetings on Teams.

But most of all we would like to say *THANK YOU* to all our pupils who have had to learn that the world is constantly changing, and we need to know how to adapt and subsequently have coped really well this year!

Wishing you and your families a lovely safe summer holiday.

We will see you in September!

H Vasey
Headteacher

Jan Linsley
Chair of Governors

Goodbye and Good Luck to our Y6 Leavers

Our Y6 Leavers 2021

We wish our Y6 pupils all the best as they move on to their various secondary schools. You have been a great bunch and we will definitely miss you. You were fabulous role models for our youngest children – thank you!



Bibles were presented to our Y6 Leavers by Sarah Clark on behalf of St. Margaret's Church, Hawes and St Mary and St John's Church Hardraw in memory of Alan Watkinson.

Attendance



Weekly attendance for Monday 19th July – Friday 23rd July : 96.77%

**Congratulations to the following children who all attained 100% attendance
Archie, Lily A, Bertie, Harry Foth, Ella, Hannah, Christa, Isabelle, Rachel, Annie, Jackson
and Esme.**

Ideas for the summer holidays

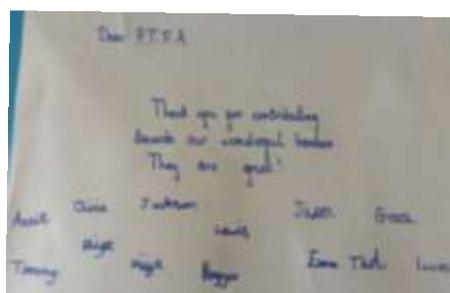
Ideas for parents for over the summer holidays so that your child can start back at school confident with those all important social skills:

| Idea | What it will help with | Having fun! |
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| Have a friend around for tea | Sharing, negotiating, relating to others. | |
| Have a play date | Sharing, negotiating, relating to others. | |
| Have a sleep over | Experiencing being away from home. | |
| Play some board games | Counting, getting used to winning and losing. | |
| Send a friend a post card | Practising writing/letter formation. | |
| Keep a holiday diary or scrap book | Practising writing in sentences and describing things. | |
| Playing countdown type number games | Practising numbers adding and subtracting and even multiplying and dividing. | |
| Learn a new times table | Remembering and able to recall facts. | |
| Do the summer reading challenge at the Library | Practising reading. | |
| Practice reading the time | Knowing about time and reading a clock. | |
| Throwing catching | Ball skills coordination | |

PTFA

Message from the PTFA

As we weren't able to pay for a trip for the year 6's this year, the PTFA funded towards their leavers hoodies instead. We wish you all GOOD LUCK as you move on to your new schools!



The children have made a card for the PTFA to thank them.

What's been Happening in School

Class 1 enjoyed celebrating the Christening of 'Rosie Ruby Ward' as part of their RE topic – 'belonging'. We are very grateful to Rev. Dave for performing the Baptism and also for showing us round church when we visited.





School Office Update

New website for parents to help their children catch-up

The department has launched an [information site](#) for parents, to support children of all age ranges and abilities catch up on lost learning from the pandemic. The site features advice and support for parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), as well as programmes, resources and activities for children and young people this summer. Please do share this with your parent networks.

Further information can be found on the [education catch-up for your child](#) homepage.

Parentpay- Important!

Please ensure all outstanding debts are cleared on Parentpay before the end of **TODAY** as our financial year end is the end of August. Year 6 parents please try to add funds just to cover your child's meals up to the end of term to avoid us having to do refunds. **Dinners are £2.50 per day.** Thank you

September Clubs

In September there will only be multi-skills on a Friday after school.



Swimming for Years 4, 5 and 6 in September

As it stands at the moment, children in Years 4, 5 and 6 in September will start their annual swimming lessons on Wednesday 15th September for 10 weeks, the last session on Wednesday 1st December. We are going to Catterick Pool for 50 minute lessons. This will involve children who will be in **Years 4, 5 & 6** in September. The children will leave school at approximately 12.45pm, travelling on Fosters bus and will return around 4pm. We will wait until we come back in September to confirm the cost of the lessons. Thank you.

Dates for the Diary

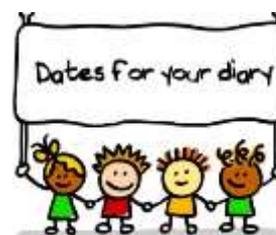
Friday 23rd July – Last Day of Term – Finish at 2pm

Monday 6th September – Staff training Day

Tuesday 7th September – Children return to school

Wednesday 15th September – Swimming for Years 4/5/6 – Covid dependant

Wednesday 13th-15th October – Y5/6 Residential to Dukeshouse, Hexham



Tuesday 19th October – School Photos – Family and Individuals

Friday 22nd October – Finish for half term

Save the Date – PTFA Christmas Fair provisionally booked for Saturday 13th November

School Uniform

If you need to order school uniform for September, please do so as early as possible to ensure you get it before September. Please use the link below –

<https://school-shop.co.uk/>

Milk – September

If your child would like milk in September, please don't forget to register them on Coolmilk.

If your child is under five-

Go to www.coolmilk.com or pick up a form from school.

Just register by a Tuesday for your child's free milk to start the following week.

Free milk will continue until the Friday before your child's fifth birthday. You will receive a payment request three weeks before this time- if you wish for your child to continue to receive school milk simply make a payment.

If your child is over five-

Go to www.coolmilk.com or pick up a form from school.

Pay Cool Milk online, over the phone, at a local PayPoint or by cheque in instalments to suit you. If registering online you can pay straight away, if using a registration form you will need to wait to receive a payment request.

Just pay by a Tuesday for your child's milk to start the following week.

"How do I find out more?"

Visit www.coolmilk.com or contact Cool Milk directly on 0844 854 2913.

Reminder

Newsletter

If for some reason you do not receive your newsletter **please look on the school website** <http://www.hawes.n-yorks.sch.uk/> under the tab – 'latest news'.

Community News

Children's Story Writing Competition

I am pleased to announce the Upper Wensleydale Newsletter's story writing competition is back on for 2021 and we will be inviting entries from local children ages 7-11. We will have full details in our September issue but we can reveal that our theme this year is "**what it is**

like to live in the time of a pandemic". Ann Pilling our Judge has some ideas you may want to think about over the summer to help you write your short story.

*"We have all lived through many months of this covid pandemic. How has it felt for YOU? How has your life been made different? Has anything happened to you or your friends and family that would make a good story? Do you know anything about anyone who has been a doctor, a nurse, an ambulance driver? If a person gets covid, how do they FEEL? What do you think about the way the government has handled this pandemic? **This is not the first pandemic in history.** There was The Black Death in the 1300's which killed millions of people all over the known world. In 1665-1666 The Plague wiped out thousands of people in London, and in the rest of England too. SO Your story could be about living in the time of THIS pandemic OR about living in the time of the Black Death, or of The Plague. **BUT, REMEMBER...**I want you to write a **STORY**, with a **BEGINNING, A MIDDLE** and **AN END**. The opening sentence should 'grab' us, and make us want to read on. Good luck. I am really looking forward to your stories".*

Ann Pilling

So look out for the September issue which will have all the rules, deadlines and how to enter. Remember there are cash prizes and trophies on offer and the winning stories will be published in the Newsletter.

UWNL Team

Ideas Needed for New Play Park Equipment

Hawes and High Abbotside Parish Council are applying for funding for some new equipment for the play parks. We would love it if the children could let us know their ideas! Drawings we would love! Or, write down what you would like to see.

These can be taken to the community office or you can email them to me jillmcmullon@hotmail.com

Thank you and have a great summer

Jill McMullon

Compass Wensleydale Events

We have set up an organisation called Compass Wensleydale (www.compass-wensleydale.co.uk) to provide more opportunities for children in the Dales to socialise, learn new skills and have fun together. We are aware that over the last 18 months children have missed opportunities for informal learning and playing, as well as having missed out on their schooling.

We have some funding through North Yorkshire Together's FEAST programme to provide free places on our 2 Summer Day Camps for any children in receipt of free school meals.

Please see the attached flyers open to children.

The Hut People
Saturday 31 July

Raygill House Farm near Hawes

17:00 *re-scheduled show*

Yorkshire folk extraordinaires **The Hut People** will take the audience on an eclectic journey around the world with an accordion and a vast collection of weird and wonderful percussion instruments, plus plenty of good-humoured banter. The shows will take place at Raygill House Farm, which is located on the fellside between Hawes and Bainbridge. Expect a quaint barn-setting, stunning views, acoustic charm and plenty of toe-tapping.

Audience members can turn up any time from 15:00. There will be refreshments and a licensed bar, a shop selling hand-crafted wooden items in aid of charity, and a chance to drink in the stunning views of Upper Wensleydale.

The show will be 60 minutes long and parking will be available. Seating will be pre-allocated in 'bubbles', and we ask ticket-holders to please wear face coverings and maintain social distancing.

[Book The Hut People](#)

Northern Youth Voices Choir

We have also received some funding to help launch an exciting new youth choir in September. The Northern Youth Voices will meet each week during term time in the Richmond area. I have attached a flyer with more details. We feel very strongly that the group should be as inclusive as possible and to help overcome any financial or geographical constraints which may make attendance for some difficult, we also have a bursary scheme.

I look forward to sharing the Virtual Choir Video (Believe in Me) with you very soon.

Best wishes, Debbie Allenby
Musical Director

School website Update

School Website - <http://www.hawes.n-yorks.sch.uk/>

You can find newsletters on the school website – (under news).

Our school milk scheme is administered by Cool Milk. To register your child for school milk, please visit <https://www.coolmilk.com/register>

If your child is under 5 they will have been registered using the bulk registration process but **parents still need to register using the form/website**. They will then get an e-mail when their child turns 5 reminding to make payment for milk when their child turns 5, in line with School Food Plan legislation.

There are also links to Parentpay and Cool Milk on the home page. **Please remember not to pay for milk if you are going on holiday as they do not give refunds.** You need to pay for dinners and milk in advance.

Holiday dates are on the website for parents to refer to. There is also a link for a free school meals application, **please apply if you are eligible as school gets an amount per child to assist with their learning and to help with the cost of trips etc.**

*Have a lovely summer holiday and
we'll see you in September!*

Dates for School Year 2021/2022

Autumn Term 2021

OPEN

CLOSE

First Half Tuesday 7th September.....Friday 22nd October

Second Half Tuesday 2nd November.....Friday 17th December

Spring Term 2022

First Half Tuesday 5th January.....Friday 18th February

Second Half Monday 28th February.....Friday 8th April

Summer Term 2022

First Half Tuesday 25th April.....Friday 27th May

Second Half Monday 6th June.....Friday 22nd July

The above dates are when children are at school.

Please note May Day: Monday 2nd May - No School.

Training Days are: - Monday 6th September, Monday 1st November, Monday 4th January, Monday 12th April, and Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th July