Friday Flyer

Friday 9th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a brilliant start to the school year, the children have settled really well into the routine of school and are already impressing us with their great attitudes. A warm welcome to our new children in Nursery, Reception, Year 2, 3 and 4, it's been a delight to see how you have already made friends and settled into Hexham First School.

We have been busy scheduling events for the term so we can give you as much notice as possible - they are all listed under the school diary section and we will add to this each week.

It's lovely to see all the children looking smart in their uniform, don't forget that if your child outgrows anything during the year we always have a stock of free pre loved uniform available.



Positive Attendance levels remain one of our key targets here at Hexham First school, as we all know that a child's good attendance at school has a direct link to both their academic and social achievements both now and in their future lives. This year we will regularly celebrate our children's attendance achievements in assemblies, newsletters and messages to home. As a school we are always striving to make positive improvements and hope that we can work in partnership with you as parents to make this happen.

We strongly urge parents to avoid booking family holidays during term time, when children miss school the learning continues in their absence and has such a big impact on their education and leaves big gaps in their knowledge and understanding.

May we remind all of our parents that time off during the school term is only allowed in exceptional circumstances and all parents/guardians must complete a request form before taking any time off school.

We are deeply saddened by the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. We join the world in sending our deepest condolences to the Royal Family. In school this morning, we held an assembly to celebrate the life of the Queen and the



Let's celebrate

Well done to the following Dojo Certificates holders

Reception: Everyone - confidence

Year 1:	Logan S - Respect
Year 2:	Eden - Respect

Year 3: Lucy - confidence

Year 4: Sofia - unique

Handwriting certificates go to:

Harper, Reggie, James L and Nick

Good Manners Tea

Harry, Hollie, Logan C, Katie, Bobby N, Ella W, Aimee and Jessica

Attendance Champions this week

Year 1 and Year 3 - joint top attendance -100 % - every child in, every day



Tuesday 6th September First Day of autumn Term Friday 30th September Flu Immunisations October **Black History Month** Monday 3rd October **Dogs Trust workshops & assembly** Tuesday 4th October **Reception Class Vision Screening** Tuesday 11th & Wednesday 12th Parents evenings Tuesday 18th October Harvest Festival @ The Abbey - 9:30am Wednesday 19th October Halloween Disco tbc Thursday 20th October Break up for half term Friday 21st October School closed - teacher training Monday 31st October

children have had the opportunity to draw a picture or write a sentence about their memories of the Queen that we will collate and make into a book of remembrance. We also held a minute's silence at 12 noon to collect our thoughts and remember. This sad occasion has coincided with a joyous celebration of thanks this week as we received a personal letter of thanks from the Queen's Lady in Waiting, thanking us for the card Year 2 sent to congratulate her on 70 years as our Queen.



Return to school Tuesday 13th December EYFS & Year 1 Christmas production am Year 2 & KS2 Christmas production - pm Wednesday 14th December Year 2 & KS2 Christmas production evening Thursday 22nd December 1.30pm: Carol Service at Hexham Abbey Friday 23rd December Break up for Christmas holiday Monday 9th January School closed - teacher training Tuesday 10th January Return to School



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