



**NORTH FERRIBY C E PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
APRIL 2017**



Message from Mr Orr

The Spring term is finishing two weeks later than it did last year and yet the load seems no lighter. At first I thought perhaps we were trying to fit more things in than we have before but I am not so sure that is the case. As always we have had the Easter service in the church led by the Y2 children; we have had our annual joint choir concert that took place at South Hunsley School; and just as we did last year, we took part in the Hull Music Festival. So why does everything seem such an extra squash?

Well perhaps it's the size rather than the number of events we have done!

As you will know music is very important to us, and you might also be aware that for many years now the children in Y5 and Y6 have been learning to play trumpets and trombones. Last year, for the first time, we entered a brass group into the Hull Music festival and were very proud and delighted to be awarded 1st place! This year, rather than just a group of 'volunteer' pupils, we entered the whole of Y6. Now I don't know if you know, but this year is our largest group of year sixes for a long time – we have 53 and counting! So this year we entered 2 brass groups. Now it would seem that this time word had got round the local area of what a great competition this was to enter, because there were a total of 11 groups competing. You can only imagine, therefore, how thrilled we were this year to be awarded not only First place, but Third as well! The standard was very high and every single year 6 child should feel very proud of themselves. Their playing was fantastic and their behaviour wonderful and I am truly looking forward to taking every one of them to Bamburgh in a few weeks time. A huge thank you to Mrs Hirst and Mrs Orr for all their hard work this year.

And so to the finale of the term, our joint choir concert with the North Ferriby Ladies Choir. Our choir has gone from strength to strength over the past few years with numbers at one point exceeding 70. I think this year has been seen the best turn out at Sunday café services and I feel this is largely due to the commitment and enthusiasm of our current Y6 children. But this year's joint concert was super-sized not particularly by the numbers of pupils but more by the quality and complexity of the performance. Singing in parts, singing with balance, the contrast of styles and use of dynamics. These are all things that experienced adult singing groups have to work very hard to achieve and yet our children just lap it up every Tuesday before school as if it was second nature (which I think to many of them it is). It was a wonderful night with some fabulous performances and some fantastic solos from our Y6 children who really have been leading the way all year. A massive thank you to Mrs Hirst, Mrs Beasley and Miss Gibbs for their dedication and hard work which has clearly paid off. And a huge thank you to all of you parents and carers for supporting us this year as always with the many commitments that the choir has taken on.

And finally as we reach the end of this term we have a goodbye to say. Mrs Dunn has taught in this school for many years now and has been a significant part in the lives of many parents and pupils during that time. As you will know Mrs Dunn has made the decision to take early retirement at the end of this term and therefore Thursday will be her last day. Mrs Dunn has been an incredible support for me the whole time I have been at this school, firstly as Key Stage 1 coordinator, Year2 lead, RE and Collective Worship coordinator and then latterly as Deputy head. She will be greatly missed, but I would like to wish her all the very best for a long and happy retirement.

I wish you all a very restful holiday and I look forward to seeing you all healthy and well in the new term.

GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS

Group photographs will be taken during our second week back after the Easter holidays on **Monday 15 May 2017**

This is the day when classes and sports teams are recorded for posterity - all we need are big smiles and clean kits!



IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR PARENTS & VISITORS

In the interests of safety please note that our school gates are closed every morning and every afternoon between



**8.40 - 9.10 am
and
3.20 - 3.50 pm**



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Please also remember the speed limit is 10 mph

Summer Term 2017- Diary of Events



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| <p>Group photographs</p> <p>Year 2 SATs</p> <p>Year 6 SATs</p> <p>Bamburgh - Parents Meeting</p> <p>Bamburgh Year 6 Visit</p> <p>EYFS New Parents' Meeting</p> <p>KS2 Sports Day</p> <p>Year 6 Induction Day</p> <p>KS2 reserve Sports Day</p> <p>KS1 Sports Day</p> <p>Haltemprice Sports</p> <p>Haltemprice Sports Awards Ceremony</p> <p>KS1 reserve Sports Day</p> <p>EYFS Presentation</p> <p>Open Evening (Years 1-6)</p> <p>KS2 Music Festival</p> <p>End of Year Awards Service</p> <p>Year 6 Leavers' Service</p> | <p>- Monday 15 May
throughout May</p> <p>- Monday 8 - Friday 12 May</p> <p>- Monday 15 May</p> <p>- Monday 5 - Friday 9 June</p> <p>- Thursday 22 June 6-7 pm</p> <p>- Friday 23 June (all day)</p> <p>- Thursday 29 June</p> <p>- Friday 30 June (all day)</p> <p>- Wednesday 5 July (afternoon)</p> <p>- Wednesday 5 July (evening)</p> <p>- Monday 10 July 6.00 pm (South Hunsley)</p> <p>- Wednesday 12 July (afternoon)</p> <p>- Monday 17 July 3.00 - 3.30 pm</p> <p>- Monday 17 July 3.30-6.00 pm</p> <p>- Friday 21 July (afternoon)</p> <p>- Monday 24 July (morning)</p> <p>- Monday 24 July 6.30 pm</p> |
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Dates for your Diary School Term Dates 2017/2018

Summer Term 2017

Monday 24 April	Teachers' Training Day
Tuesday 25 April	School re-opens for pupils
Monday 1 May	May Day
Friday 26 May	School closes for Half-term
Monday 5 June	School re-opens for pupils
Tuesday 25 July	School closes for summer

Autumn Term 2017

Monday 4 September	Teachers' Training Day
Tuesday 5 September	School re-opens for pupils
Thursday 26 October	School closes for Half-term
Friday 27 October	Teachers' Training Day
Monday 6 November	School re-opens for pupils
Friday 22 December	School closes for Christmas

Spring Term 2018

Monday 8 January	Teachers' Training Day
Tuesday 9 January	School re-opens for pupils
Friday 9 February	School closes for Half-term
Monday 19 February	School re-opens for pupils
Thursday 22 March	School closes for Easter
Friday 23 March	Teachers' Training Day

Summer Term 2018

Monday 9 April	School re-opens for pupils
Monday 7 May	May Day
Friday 25 May	School closes for Half-term
Monday 4 June	School re-opens for pupils
Friday 20 July	School closes for summer

These dates are provisional and may be subject to change

DATES for SING & SERVICE and CLASS ASSEMBLIES

April	27	Mr Rae	Sing & Service
May	4	Mrs Canbay/Miss Marson	Sing & Service
	18	Mrs Sharkey/Miss Parker	Sing & Service
	25	Mrs Dunn	Sing & Service
HALF TERM HOLIDAY			
June	15	Mrs Canbay/Miss Marson	Class Led Worship
	22	Mrs Chappelow	Sing & Service
	29	Mrs Sharkey/Miss Parker	Class Led Worship
July	6	Miss Wilkinson	Sing & Service
	20	Miss Gibbs	Sing & Service



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