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17th July 2018

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Writing the final newsletter of the year is always a little emotional, but this year it seems a little bit more special than usual - and it's really hard to write!

I have some fantastic memories from the last 8 years; it has been a really happy time for me, personally and professionally, and I'm moving on knowing that school is in a good place to continue to improve and continue to serve the community.

I don't want to miss important people out (I probably will), but I would like to publicly thank Richard Zerny, our Chair of Governors, for his guidance, support, friendship and encouragement through my time here; Mrs Owen in the school office - always supportive, always helpful and always right! and Mrs Smith for her dedication to keeping the school and its grounds in fabulous condition. I cannot imagine how I would have done my job without their help.

Thank you to '#teamkilham' - teachers, support staff, midday supervisors and governors; the best staff team I have ever known and worked with. Thank you for all your positivity and ongoing dedication to the children. I am proud to have you as friends.

Thank you to the PTFA (past and present) - the 'extras' provided from time given up, effort put in and events organised have literally transformed our school grounds over the last few years. I am so grateful.

Thank you to all the parents and carers for your incredible support of what we have tried to do here at Kilham. Your ongoing attendance at parents evenings, meetings, shows, fairs, events, etc. is important, but it is also the friendly nature of so many relationships with parents and carers here at Kilham which is the foundation of working together successfully for the benefit of the children. I have always appreciated that.

Finally, thank you to the children. What can I say? They really are fabulous and a credit to their parents, carers and to themselves. Positive attitudes and endless energy, while always helpful and caring. They have been a pleasure to know and to teach and I will miss them all very much next year.

We have tried to make this school a successful one and a happy place to be, a place where children and staff alike all enjoy coming to. You can't please everyone all of the time, but I feel we have tried our best and I am proud of what the children, staff and school have achieved. If I don't get to see everyone before the end of Friday afternoon, then please accept my very best wishes for the summer holidays, for next year, and for the future. I am lucky to have had the opportunity to lead this smashing school and to have made so many fantastic friends along the way.

I said it last year and I'll say it again—this is a special place. Thank you all again for everything you have done.

With very best wishes, Simon

## PTFA AGM 16th July 2018 6pm Old Star Inn

Present: Jo Richardson, Fiona Chester, Jennie Jordin, Tina Pearson and Jill Marshall

Apologies: Nicola Knaggs, Nina Horton, Gemma Walker, Natalie Baker, Katie Dewhirst, Louise Burkinshaw and Simon England

# Appointment of Officers:

Chairperson - Fiona Chester proposed Jill Marshall 2nd Tina Pearson Secretary - Jill Marshall proposed Fiona Chester 2nd Jo Richardson Treasurer - Jo Richardson proposed Jennie Jordin 2nd Fiona Chester

## Disco:

Booked for December 10th 2018 and leavers disco booked for July 8th 2019 6pm till 7.30pm again reception and nursery welcome with a parent on the premises.

# Bags for life:

Jo Richardson to order a product sample with a view to getting class teachers involved first few weeks back at school, so that bags are ready to sell in time for Christmas at £5 each.

## Cash 4 maths:

Scheme currently closed, Fiona Chester to keep checking.

# Banks:

No one came forward

## Film night:

Fiona Chester asked Rob Chester to supply the name and contact details for the person who does them for Sewerby Hall.

#### Quiz night:

We are looking at putting on a quiz night late November early December.

£5 per person via ticket to include quiz and cheese and biscuits, to supply own drink if not juice or tea and coffee with a raffle and cake auction.

Donations of cakes will be required nearer the time along with donations of cheese and biscuits.

Tina Pearson to speak to Village Hall bookings and date to be confirmed in September.

## February 2019 event:

An event to be confirmed to be held in February in the Village hall date also to be confirmed. More details will follow in the new school year.

#### Christmas:

Due to lack of helpers to support large events like Santa Sunday we currently have no specific Christmas event planned.

### **Finances**:

In the bank is approx. £3760 to be confirmed once statements start coming through again.

Insurance was sorted as is on a Direct debit, Jo Richardson to ensure details are changed.

No monetary requests at present time.

### A.O.B:

Jill Marshall to check with Mrs Jameson - PTFA planning on having a table advertising PTFA in the playground to introduce and speak to new parents. To include a short questionnaire and a suggestions box. To have juice and

biscuits on the table. This is to try and dissolve the appearance that the PTFA is a closed group when in fact it is open to all parents, teachers and friends of Kilham School. There is a requirement to have the three officers in post anyone else wishing to be involved is a committee member, from September 2019 the Secretary position will need filling. Jill Marshall spoken to Mrs Jameson 17/07/18 she was more than happy for this to go ahead and thanked me for consulting with her.

Hope you all have a lovely summer and we'll see you back at school in September.

Next Meeting to be held on Friday 21st 2.45pm in School

Regards Jill Marshall (Secretary)

# School reopens on Tuesday 4th September 2018

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