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'Together with Jesus, we love to learn and learn to love'

### **Ethos statement for next week: "I can learn from my mistakes and failures."**

8<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Dear Parents,

The astro turf is nearly complete. We are now waiting for some dry days so that the final part of the process the adding of sand can begin. I think you will all agree it is already a massive improvement on what we had previously.

This morning 5HS's assembly explained the meaning of Lent. They reminded us through drama, singing and reading the importance of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. They also explained that Lent is a time to be still, reflective, sharing, forgiving and a chance for a new beginning. This is just like what Jesus did when he went to the desert for 40 years.

This week we welcomed Fr Peter Stoddart from Hexham and Newcastle to our school. Fr Peter is the Uncle of Henry in Reception and he was extremely impressed by our children and the school. Fr Peter's parish includes Broomley Grange where our Year 6 children stay during their residential. We hope that in future years Father Peter may be able to join us during residential.



**World Book Day** – Over the week there have been lots of different workshops across the school. Yesterday Tiny Tales and Tunes visited Reception and Year 1 and this was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Explore Learning worked with several year groups putting a spin on popular fairytales and in KS2 we were visited by a superhero named Bookman. All of these events inspired our writing for World Book Day. We also had great fun wearing our pyjamas on Thursday!



**Head Lice** - Please can we remind parents to carefully check their child's hair on a regular basis due to recent incidents reported in school. Using conditioner and combing your child's hair to find nits is a very good habit to get into.

### **EASTER ACTIVITIES ADVANCE NOTICE**

As we are returning to school on Easter Tuesday we thought we could celebrate Easter by the children doing various Easter activities at home in the holidays! Your child can choose between the following options – they can make their own Easter bonnet, or an Easter Garden (in an old shoebox or item of similar size) or decorate a hard boiled egg. These items to be brought into school on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April when we return to school. If you really want you can do all three! Nearer the time there will be examples on the website.

**Year 3 More Than Dance Easter Celebration** – For all parents but especially our Year 3 parents, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm in IHOM church.

**IHOMSA 100 Club** – Congratulations to Mrs Boomer who has won the £100 this week. Remember you can still enter! Please contact Mark Butler on [ihomsa13@gmail.com](mailto:ihomsa13@gmail.com)

**HCPT Cake Sale** – Will take place on Sunday 17th March after 9.30am mass at IHOM. To find out more about the group or to get involved speak to one of the group on the day or visit [www.hcpt.org.uk](http://www.hcpt.org.uk)



**Sally and the Spaceman Panto** - The Queen's Hall, Sun 24th March, 3pm. The Queen's Hall are pleased to present a panto for the whole family. Come along for an afternoon of fun entertainment with a bar, tea and coffee and snacks available. This is a ticket only event with tickets priced at £3.50 a person. You can purchase yours from the school office, the lounge bar in the Queen's Hall or by email to [parishhalls@gmail.co.uk](mailto:parishhalls@gmail.co.uk). Don't miss out, get your tickets before they sell out!



**St Patrick's Night Ceilidh** – On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 7-11pm there will be a ceilidh at the Queen's Hall. Tickets are available from the Parish Office Monday-Thursday 9.45am-12.30pm or email [parishhalls@gmail.com](mailto:parishhalls@gmail.com) or phone 07516 705 428. Tickets cost £10 per family, £5 per adult and includes Irish Stew!

**St Patrick's Day Parade** – The parade will take place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March in Leeds City Centre and we will be having a float again. Please put the date in your diaries! To walk in the parade you need to be at Millenium Square by 10.30am.



**Sports News** – West Yorkshire Cross Country Finals on Wednesday. In horrible weather and difficult conditions Evie came 4<sup>th</sup> and Sam came 9<sup>th</sup> in the field which automatically qualifies them for the National Finals in Loughborough at the end of March. This is a massive achievement and we are very proud of them. Good luck Sam and Evie!

**Recommended Reading** – This week's recommendations are:

- Year R – Not Now Bernard by David McKee
- Year 1 – My Friend Bear by Jez Alborough
- Year 2 – Little Wolf's Book of Badness by Ian Whybrow
- Year 3 – Return of the Hundred Mile an Hour Dog by Jeremy Strong
- Year 4 – Dragon Poems by Pippa Goodhart
- Year 5 – Dragon Rider by Cornelia Funke
- Year 6 – Mortal Engines Books by Phillip Reeve

**EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS – Attend Today Achieve Tomorrow**

**Can we reach our whole school target of 98%? If we reach 98% our attendance will be Outstanding.**

**Attendance** – Well done to the whole school on achieving 97% attendance. Special congratulations to RCD, 3AW & 4DK who achieved 100%.

Year Group	Attendance Wk. Comm 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	
YR	RAG – 94%	RCD – 100%
Y1	1LG – 99%	1LR – 99%
	1SC – 98%	
Y2	2JM – 97%	2HC – 93%
Y3	3GG – 95%	3AW – 100%
Y4	4GB – 98%	4DK – 100%
Y5	5HS – 95%	5JR – 99%
Y6	6FE – 91%	6CK – 99%

## Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded Star of the Week in their class!

RAG – Edith	3AW – Danny
RCD – Andrea	3GG – Edward
1LR – Luca	4GB – Cody
1LG – Sadie	4DK – Luke
1SC – Alessandro	5JR – Louie
2JM – Elsie	5HS – Gabriella
2HC – Jimmy	6CK – Sophia
	6FE - Leona

## Happy Birthday to –

Year R – Jake  
 Year 1 – Marisa, Oscar, Jude & Thomas  
 Year 2 – Claudia & Olivia  
 Year 3 – Sam  
 Year 4 – Ava & Mylo  
 Year 5 – Erin



Forthcoming Events – new dates in bold		
Date	Time	Event
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All Day	CAFOD Family Fast Day
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.15am	4DK Class Assembly
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All Day	KS2 St Patrick's Merit House Non Uniform Day – Brownies/Cubs etc may wear those uniforms
<b>Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>St Patrick's Day Parade Cookridge Street</b>
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	All Day	Sponsored Run
<b>Weds 20<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>7.15pm</b>	<b>IHOMSA Barrelates</b>
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	9.15am	1SC Class Assembly
<b>Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar</b>	<b>During school</b>	<b>Y4 Grand Theatre &amp; Rothwell Music Festival</b>
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	7pm	IHOMSA Meeting
Weds 27 <sup>th</sup> & Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	3.45-6.45pm	Parent's Consultation Evening
<b>Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> &amp; Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>During school</b>	<b>IHOMSA Mother's Day stalls</b>
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9.15am	RCD Class Assembly
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Apr	3.25pm	School closes for Easter
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	8.45am	School reopens
<b>Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	<b>Easter crafts to be brought into school</b>
<b>Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Y3 More Than Dance Performance</b>
<b>Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Class Photos</b>
<b>Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	<b>5.30-6.30pm</b>	<b>YR &amp; Y1 Spring Disco</b>
<b>Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	<b>6.45-7.45pm</b>	<b>Yrs 2, 3 &amp; 4 Spring Disco</b>
<b>Sat 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>4GB First Holy Communion</b>
<b>Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>4DK First Holy Communion</b>

Mrs. A. M. Phillips  
 Headteacher

## Lenten Prayer from 5HS's assembly.

Lord Jesus, you came and lived among us. Like me you walked and ran along the roads. You showed by your words and actions that you loved us. You told us that to follow your path we had to love like you. Lord Jesus, help us to follow your path.

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils please ask to speak to Mrs Phillips, Mrs Hill, Miss Hargreaves or Mrs Roberts.

