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Withernsea



Primary School

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November 2016 Newsletter



Remembrance Poppies will be on sale in both buildings; donations welcome - thank you.

Our School Ambassadors and some other class representatives will attend the Withernsea Remembrance Service next week. We also have the theme of remembrance for assembly during the week as well.

Christmas events

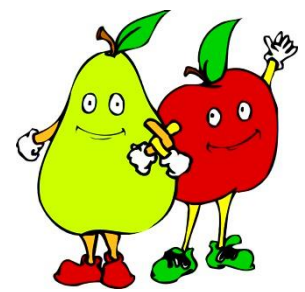


The proposed Christmas calendar of events is attached to this letter to give parents lots of notice of events as we move towards the festive season.

Non Uniform Day – Christmas Raffle/Tombola

A BIG THANKYOU to all staff, pupils, family and friends for all contributions to our Christmas Fair Raffle/Tombola in response to our non-uniform day which was great. We have plenty of items that will help raise funds on the evening of the Fair. Thank you once again.

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Healthy School Page

Lost property

Please put names in clothes. If you have put names in clothes with pen please refresh it as we have had several items of clothing where the name was no longer readable – thank you.



Fireworks

Enjoy the fun but please make sure children do not handle fireworks.

Supervise sparklers safely as even these can give a nasty burn. Attending organised displays are the safest way to enjoy fireworks. We will also talk to the children about firework safety.



‘Safety’ is the assembly theme for this week.

Bikes and Scooters

It’s great that so many children do bring a bicycle or scooter to school. Please remember to walk up the drive. Also a gentle reminder to please lock them up - we have provision in the North building to chain them to railings outside the kitchen area.

The school cannot take responsibility for any items brought to school and they are at your own risk.



Cooler Mornings

Winter is now upon us so please can all children bring suitable warm coats to wear at playtimes; unless it is raining, we do go outside for fresh air and to run around. Please put names in coats as we have had cases in the past of two identical coats and one child going home in the wrong coat by mistake. Sometimes children getting dropped off in a car don’t bring a coat and we do go outside for playtimes and also walk between the two buildings for lessons as our library, music room and cookery room are in the South building. Also, if your child comes to school in wellington boots, can you please make sure he/she has a change of footwear for indoors – thank you.

Headlice

‘Once a week – take a peek’

(Headlice do not take half term holidays!)

Can we please ask for your help by checking your child’s hair on a regular basis.

Thank you for your continued support.



Concerns over parking on Hull Road

Can we please remind parents/carers and visitors to school of the need to park carefully and sensibly on Hull Road when dropping off and picking up children from school. This follows a recent incident when a child was bumped by a vehicle mounting the pavement to park half on and half off the road. Can you please park fully on the highway and where there are no parking restrictions including school zigzags – thank you for your co-operation.

Attendance for October

Thank you for good attendance, congratulations to 5RE, Mrs Egan's class – (98.8%) for very impressive attendance during the month of October.

Class	Percentage		Percentage
F2CG – Miss C Good	92.7%	3ML – Mr M Lindgren	97.1%
F2AB – Miss A Brown	97.2%	4CC – Mr C Cundy	96.2%
F2SN – Mrs S Noble	95.9%	4CW – Mrs C Wright	95.8%
1TS – Mrs D Thomson / Miss E Smith	93.2%	4FS – Miss F Seager	94.9%
1ST – Mrs E Sansam / Mrs D Thomson	95.3%	5RE – Mrs R Egan	98.8%
1JT – Miss J Teall	97.4%	5JW – Mr J Welbourn	97.1%
2HT – Mrs H Todd	98.4%	5KB – Mrs K Banks	97.7%
2TH – Mrs T Knight	97.3%	6EA – Miss E Atwood	95.4%
2BH – Mrs C Bagnall / Mrs L Hilton	91.6%	6RL – Mrs R Lindgren	97.7%
3LF – Mrs L Feeney	94.6%	6LH – Miss L Harrison	91.0%

School attendance

The new academic year got off to an excellent start with whole school attendance running at 96.5% for the first half term. Nationally school attendance was 96.1% last year and there is no reason why we cannot match or exceed national averages if we all continue to work together - thank you.

Out of School Child Care Provision

This continues to run before and after school. There is now an online booking system which may make it easier for parents - please contact the South office for all relevant details and paperwork. The use in October was slightly higher than in September but it is still not used by enough children to make it financially viable. Breakfast Club is more popular and based on numbers to date is viable at present. We will continue to monitor numbers and make a final decision by mid-November as to the future viability of this provision. If parents wish to have this facility it does need to be used.

'Get into Teaching' Event

On Monday 21 November, Withernsea Primary School will be holding a 'Get into Teaching' day for any graduates who are considering a career in the teaching profession. The day will consist of a short presentation about the Schools Direct Programme, which is a route into teaching in association with Hull University and the Wolds Teaching School Alliance. Schools Direct students are based in a named primary school and experience well-supported on-the-job training in conjunction with academic studies based at the university.

Most of the day can then be spent in classrooms, working alongside our pupils and observing different teaching styles and strategies delivered by outstanding teachers. Lunch will be provided and you will also have the chance to talk to school and university staff about how to apply to join the Schools Direct Programme.

If you are interested in attending the event, which starts at 9.15, please contact the school to reserve a place on the main office number – 01964 612800.

If you know anyone that would be interested, please do pass this information on.



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Rehearsal schedule 'Annie'

All the characters have been cast for our forthcoming production of 'Annie' which we are hoping to perform towards the end of the spring term. Rehearsals start this Wednesday and will take place every Wednesday from 3.30 – 4.30 pm.

Your child must attend their rehearsal.

Wednesday 2 November- Orphans and main speaking parts
Wednesday 9 November- Maids/Servants and main speaking parts
Wednesday 16 November- Main speaking parts
Wednesday 23 November- Orphans and main speaking parts
Wednesday 30 November- Maids/Servants and main speaking parts
Wednesday 7 December- Main speaking parts

If you have any problems please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Knight.



Bun Sales

To support subsidising trips and covering the cost of visitors into school we will occasionally not have tuck but ask one year group to bring in buns to sell to the rest of the school; the buns will be available for years 2- 6 and will be sold at morning break – cost of a bun will be about 20p – thank you for your support with this.

Dates for your diary

8 December – Y5 Exhibition – Meridian Centre
12 December – Y4 Pedestrian Skills training
12 December – Y5 ABP Ports experience trip
13 December – Y5 ABP Ports experience trip

Term Dates – 2016/2017

Autumn Term 2016

Close - Friday 16 December at **2.20 pm**

Spring Term 2017

Re-open – Wednesday 4 January

Close for half term – Friday 17 February

Re-open Monday 27 February

Close Friday 7 April at **2.20 pm**

Please note the school will be closed in the afternoon to F1 (pm) children on Friday 7 April.

Summer Term 2017

Open - Tuesday 25 April

Close for May Day - Monday 1 May

Close for half term - Friday 26 May

Re-open - Monday 5 June

Close - Tuesday 25 July at **2.20 pm**

Please note the school will be closed in the afternoon to F1 (pm) children on Tuesday 25 July.



Disability

Disability/Accessibility

Parental Questionnaire

To ensure we have considered the views of our parents, pupils and staff, we would very much appreciate your response to the following questions.

In order to help you answer the questions, below is a definition of the term 'Disability':

A person has a disability if he/she has a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his/her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities

Disability Discrimination Amendment Act (2005), Part 1, para. 1.1.

Impact of disability will affect:

- Mobility
- Physical coordination
- Manual dexterity
- Continence
- Ability to lift, carry or move everyday objects
- Speech, hearing, sight
- Memory or ability to learn, concentrate, understand
- Perception of risk or physical danger

Included since 2005:

- Cancer and surviving cancer
- HIV/MS diagnosis

1. Would any of the above listed categories apply to you or your family?

2. If so, is there any way in which you feel we could further support what we already provide in school for your child/family?



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Christmas

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Wednesday 30 November

F1/F2 Christmas activities - 9.15 – 10.15 am (South hall – for parents of children in F1am / F1 full time pupils & F2CG)

(Refreshments will be served from 8.45 am)

F2 Christmas activities - 1.30 – 2.30 pm (South hall – for parents of children in F2AB & F2SN)

Magic Carpet Theatre – ‘The Wizard of Castle Magic’ – Years 1 – 6 (two performances – am)



Thursday 1 December

Christmas Fair – 5.30 – 7.30 pm – All welcome



Monday 5 December

Y1 Performance to parents – ‘It’s a Nativity’ 1.45 pm (South hall)



Tuesday 6 December

FS ‘The Nativity’ – 9.30 – 10.15 am (South hall – for parents of children in F1am / F1 full time pupils & F2CG)

Y1 Performance to parents – ‘It’s a Nativity’ 1.45 pm (South hall)



Wednesday 7 December

FS ‘The Nativity’ – 9.30 – 10.15 am (South hall – for parents of children in RAB & RSN)

Christmas dinner for children – whole school

Y2/Y3 Christmas play - ‘The Stars come out for Christmas’ – 9.30 am (North hall)

Y3/Y4 Christingle Service - at St Matthew’s Church on Hull Road – 2.00 pm (parents welcome)

***If parents have children in EYFS and Y2/Y3, we will prioritise them for the Y2/Y3 performances on 8 and 9 December.**



Thursday 8 December

Y2/Y3 Christmas play - ‘The Stars come out for Christmas’ – 9.30 am (North hall)



Friday 9 December

Y2/Y3 Christmas play - ‘The Stars come out for Christmas’ – 1.30 pm (North hall)



Monday 12 December

Y2 Christmas activities - (in class) 1.15 pm – parents welcome



Tuesday 13 December

Y1 Christmas activities - 9.00 – 10.15 am or 10.30 – 11.30 pm – (South hall) – *To be informed of time by letter*

Y3 Christmas party - 1.30 pm (North hall)

Y1/Y2 Christmas Disco – 3.00 – 4.30 pm (Letter to follow with more details)



Wednesday 14 December

FS Christmas party – (Letter to follow with more details)

Y5/Y6 Carol Concert - Hull Road Methodist Church – 2.00 pm (parents welcome)

Y5/Y6 Disco - 5.00 – 7.00 pm



Thursday 15 December

Y4 Christmas party - 1.30 pm (North hall)



Friday 16 December

School closes at 2.20 pm



Year 2 and Year 3 Concerts

Unfortunately we have to limit tickets to two per family in order to comply with Health & Safety regulations; these will be issued to the children by the class teacher. If the day allocated for your child's class is not convenient there will be the opportunity to change these to an alternative day as tickets allow. This can be done by handing in the tickets to the class teacher at the beginning of the school day, and only then, the teacher will endeavour to meet your request for an alternative day.

