

# Heworth Primary School -March 2016 Newsletter 10



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## A Prayer of Blessing for Heworth CE Primary School by Archbishop Sentamu

*Father in Heaven,*

*We pray for your blessing on everyone in our school and ask that we may know your constant love and grace.*

*May we learn to trust in you and walk in your forgiveness.*

*Open our hearts and minds so that we may model Christ's example and be compassionate to those in need.*

*Fill us with your Holy Spirit so that we may know your strength and endurance and learn to serve you faithfully in our school and community.*

*Father God, shine your light in our school we pray.*

## Archbishop Sentamu

We are delighted that Archbishop John Sentamu is planning to visit Heworth Primary as part of his pilgrimage around the parish. We will receive him at around 2:30pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May when he will tour the school and spend time in the playground meeting parents and carers as they collect children. As part of his visit, he will sign the above prayer that he has written for Heworth which we will have printed onto the wall at the top of the stairs.

## Painting and more!

We are really pleased with the internal works that have taken place during the Easter holidays. It is lovely to see the front office, downstairs corridor and stairs looking freshly painted.

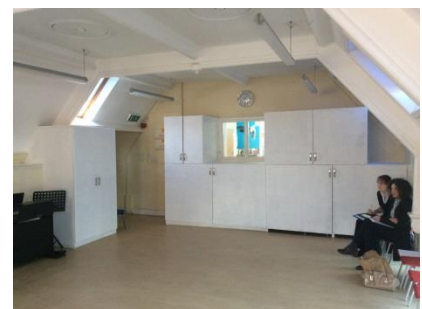
In the hall we also have had lots of cupboards built that have dramatically increased our storage space.

We are currently in the process of planning:

- The creation of a new outdoor area for our younger children.
- A new library (funded by Friends of Heworth).
- Having the hall, Class 1 and upstairs corridor painted.
- New furniture in Class 1.

## Values

We have started a series of assemblies to launch our new school values of: endurance, compassion, trust & forgiveness.



Headteacher: Mr Michael Carr



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## Match Attacks

It has been great to see children playing with and exchanging (fairly) Match Attack cards in school. I can still remember trying to complete my Panini Mexico 86 sticker book and how much I looked forward to coming to school to swap stickers for the ones that I needed (if anyone has a spare Terry Butter and Socrates come and see me!).

We have had a few issues of unfair exchanging taking place and some cards going missing. In some schools I know they would be banned, however, I would like to use the opportunity to help our children to use them properly and fairly so that the enjoyment can continue. We are advising children not to bring their most precious cards into school (ones that they would never be likely to swap eg Harry Kane, Wayne Rooney or any of the Hartlepool squad). I have also talked to the children about ensuring that an exchange is a fair swap and that older children are not 'conning' younger members of our school. At lunchtime the MSAs are happy to help with this. I hope this will lead to 100% enjoyment of these cards.

## Cycling to school

If your child is coming to school on their bike, please can you ensure that they do this safely. I have had a small number of reports from staff and parents about children riding dangerously on paths and on one occasion the wrong side of the road.

## Sporting news!

We are absolutely delighted to announce that our football team has won the league this season. A huge well done to all the children who have represented our school – we are very proud of you! A big thank you to Mr Taylor for his coaching and to all the parents & carers who have transported children to and from events! Well done everyone!

We will now go into the 'Champions League' where we will play the winners of the other league champions around the city.

## Music Concert

I have just heard this morning the song (theme from Matilda) that our school choir performed at the York Choral Festival yesterday. An incredible performance. 'Better than a secondary choir', it has been reported! A huge well done to all the children involved and a thank you to Mrs Newton and the staff who attended the day.

## Staffing News

Many of you will have already met Sarah Thomas who will be working in the school office on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We are delighted to have her on board as we look to be the best we can be in every area of the school.

I am also really pleased to announce that Mrs Susan Myers also started work last week as an MSA.



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## Dates for the diary

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs week Y6
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Friend's Bingo night – Nag's Head Pub
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs week Y2
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	The Archbishop to visit Heworth
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term holiday
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	School reopens
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photographs Phonics Screening Week begins
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	New Parents' Meeting (6:00pm)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School Sports Day (am)
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Friend's Summer Fair
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	New Starters visit Class 1 (pm)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' Play (1:30pm)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	New Starters visit Class 1 (am) Y6 Leavers' Play (6:30pm)
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Friend's Disco
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	New Starters visit Class 1 (pm)
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Friend's Picnic
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last day of term Leavers' Service (9:30am)
	SUMMER HOLIDAY
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Training Day

Please note Stockton Lane Playgroup are having a Fair on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May from 1pm till 4pm. Heworth families are welcome to attend.

