

Heworth Primary School -September 2016 Newsletter 16



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For I know the. Jeremiah 29:11

Values Week, Prayer Day & Harvest

What a great fortnight we had a few weeks ago focussing on our values of Compassion, Forgiveness, Trust and Endurance during our Values Week. The children identified lots of different examples of these values in action across the week. The new Values Cup was awarded for the very first time to Class 4.

On the Monday straight after Values Week each class spent time throughout the day with YoYo (York Schools & Youth Trust) who had planned and organised an amazing prayer day at Holy Trinity. From bubble tubes that changed colour to sticking plasters onto giant hands the children learnt that prayer isn't always sitting quietly with your hands together and eyes closed but that if you want it can also involve a host of resources and be imaginative and creative. A big thank you to YoYo and to the families who visited the activities after school.

Finally, a big well done to Mrs Lisa Walton who triumphed over Reverend Michael Woodmansey (although it was closer than predicted!) in our Harvest special of Ready, Steady, Cook! Thank you for your contributions of food that will be delivered by Holy Trinity to Carecent. Can I also say thank you to Mrs Firth for organising coffee & biscuits for parents & carers before the service – what a great community we belong to!

During the week of 14th November, Mrs Durham, our RE leader, is planning an Interfaith week. This will give children the chance to share what they have been learning about other religions during their RE lessons over the term.

MAT launch

On Thursday 6th October, all staff from the newly formed Pathfinder MAT (Heworth, Archbishop Holgate, Badger Hill & Hempland) met for an official launch. During the event, we were able to listen to the amazing New York brass band, enjoy tea & cake, listen to a truly inspiring speaker and applaud Mrs Walton who came second in the MAT bakeoff competition!

If you use twitter you can get updates of Pathfinder MAT news by following '@pathfindermat'

House Points

After half term we will be launching our new house point system. The children have been split into four colour teams (blue, red, green and yellow) and will earn house points for great work, behaviour, attitude and more! Siblings will be in the same colour. Every class has four tubes to collect their house points in which will then be transferred to much larger whole school tubes that will be kept in the hall. The colour team with the most points over a half term will be awarded a non-uniform day.

Staffing News (Adrian) MSA

Adrian Fletcher who has been working at Heworth for the past year as part of York LA's School Business Manager service is sadly leaving us this week. I can't praise Adrian enough for the contribution that he has made to Heworth over the past twelve months. He will be greatly missed! After half term we will have a new business manager, Michelle Bowling, who works for our multi-academy trust across the primary schools.

Midday Supervisor Vacancy – we are currently looking to recruit a Midday Supervisor. Please see our website for details or call in at the school office. The closing date for applications is Monday 31st October.

Headteacher: Mr Michael Carr

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Children's Names on Uniform and PE Kit 2016/17 & Lost property

Please ensure that your child comes to school in the correct uniform. **All items, including footwear, should have your child's name & class written on them so that identification is easy.** eg Rodney Trotter C1

COOP

Our latest total from the COOP scheme that I mentioned in my last letter an amazing £1300. This money will go towards books for the new library. The scheme works by shoppers registering for a COOP card and then 1% of money spent on COOP goods can be donated to the Heworth library fund.

Email

Thank you for all of your feedback on our questionnaires from day 1 of our parent interviews regarding communication. We will soon have email again shortly after half-term. Thank you for your patience.

Tim Peake to visit York.

Free tickets available from 8am on Wednesday 12 October. Please book here<<https://www.york.ac.uk/news-and-events/events/tim-peake/>>.

Dates for the diary – Please note the change of date for the Advent Fair - now 9th December. Apologies for the week of 5th December being very busy. This was not down to want of trying! ☺

4 th Nov	Friends – Spooky disco (KS1 5:50 till 6:30, KS2 6:45 till 7:45)
14 th Nov	School photographs (am) – individual
22 nd Nov	Scholastic book fair
24 th & 25 th Nov	Roald Dahl baking competition & sale
Week of 21st November	Last week of clubs for this term
28 th Nov	Final swimming for Y3
5 th Dec	6:00pm Carol Service at Holy Trinity
8 th Dec	4:00pm Community Carol Singing
8 th & 9 th Dec	1:30pm Class 1 & 2 Nativity at Heworth Methodist 3:30 Advent Fair
Week of 12 th Dec	Christmas Parties
14 th Dec (this is a change from 13 th)	7:00pm Minster Carol Service
16 th Dec	Break-up Christmas holiday