Hutton Henry CE Primary October 2013 Newsletter

Diary Dates

Trip to Seven Stories 17th October

Y2-6 Cross Country 24th Oct-More information to follow

Half Term

28th-1st November

School will re open
on Monday 4th

November

Bag 2 School
6th November

Open Afternoon 13th November

Christmas Art and Craft Day 29th November

Nativity
10th December

Pantomime
11th December

KS1 Party 17th December

KS2 Party 18th December

Movie Day & school will close for Christmas 19th December

Welcome Back

We have had a wonderful start to the new school year. I think we have all settled into school life after our summer break .

The children have been taking part in one to one feedback sessions with their class teacher where they have begun to think about what they want to achieve this year. The children have set targets to help them improve their work and talked about the support they would like to receive. This has been a thought provoking experience and will have an impact on achievement for our pupils. Copies of the feedback information sheets will be sent home shortly so you can see the content of this discussion.





Our whole school topic for this term is "traditional tales" and all of the children are enjoying taking part in a wide range of activities across curriculum areas.

We launched the topic with a fairy tale fancy dress day which was a lot of fun. Thank you to everyone for putting in so much effort, the costumes were wonderful and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Our school trip to Seven Stories in Newcastle will be a lovely hands on way for children to explore stories and fairy tales. Our topic open afternoon will be on Wed 13th November 2013. This is an opportunity for you to pop into school, enjoy having your child/ children sharing his / her work with you and sharing in some of their success this term.



Thank You

We enjoyed hosting a Macmillan coffee morning on Friday 27th September and raised £82.

Thank you for all those that attended,.

As the coffee morning was so well attended we hope to have more in the future so watch this space for more information.

There is a teachers strike planned for October 17th. We will NOT be closed and school will be OPEN.



Year 1 and 2 children have been lucky enough to go and visit Durham Cathedral this week. They had a brilliant time learning all about the life of St Cuthbert. They had lovely hands on experiences and got the opportunity to visit St Cuthbert's shrine, light a candle and say a prayer.



Friends of School

We have a very active friends of school who are always keen for new members. Each year they fund a Christmas pantomime for the whole school and throughout the year support all sorts of experiences for our children. If you would like more information or would

like to express your interest at being

involved please let us know.

Clubs

Some after school clubs are now underway. The year 6's have already begun SATS booster classes and are actually enjoying them!
The older children have had the opportunity to take part in a fencing club. Keep an eye out for information coming home over the year because we strive to provide a wide range of after school clubs spread throughout the year and targeting different age groups.

Reminders:

All of your child's clothing including PE
Kit needs to be clearly named. This reduces the risk of items becoming lost or accidently taken home by another child.

If your child is unwell please can you telephone on their first day of absence and then send a letter on their return to school.

Good attendance is an important part of your child's education.

The EWO regularly monitors attendance in School

On the grounds of health and safety jewellery, make up, nail varnish should not be worn in school. The use of lipbalm in school is discouraged. If your child needs lipbalm for medical reasons, please see a member of staff.

Committees

We have new members for all of our committees as well as new playground friends and classroom champions, we have a new committee this year, the Sports Committee. All committees have an important role to play in school. Every child has a role to play in the running of the school day to day.

Creativity Fund

Thank you to those of you who have contributed to Creativity Fund. If you would like to make a contribution, it is 50p per week £3.50 per half term or £7.50 per term, please adjust half termly and termly payment depending on the number of weeks that are between holidays. Creativity Fund benefits all of the children in the school as it enables staff do more creative activities in school.

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