



Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2016

#### **Term Dates 2016/17**

26<sup>th</sup> September
Individual and sibling
photographs
Cross Country for KS2 at
Sledmere House (4-5pm) Parents
to take children if interested

3<sup>rd</sup> October Walk, bike, scoot to school week

**4<sup>th</sup> October** Year 5/6 Football tournament

**5<sup>th</sup> October** KS2 Biathlon

**7**<sup>th</sup> **October** Fun run

8<sup>th</sup> October KS1 Cross Country at Driffield Junior School (10-11am)

13<sup>th</sup> October Year 5/6 Hockey tournament

**14<sup>th</sup> October** Harvest Assembly (in school only)

**17<sup>th</sup> October** Year 3/4 Football tournament

**18<sup>th</sup> October** Open Morning

**20<sup>th</sup> October** Pumpkin Ball

**21**st October

Break up for half term

**31**<sup>st</sup> **October** School re-opens

### What a start to the year!

It has been an excellent start to the school year. All children are working hard, and a particularly big well done to our Reception class. They have settled in so well during their first 3 weeks, and many of them are showing some excellent ability both in and out of the classroom. In assemblies and working with outside people has not fazed them at all – long may it continue!

Our KS2 results at the end of summer were particularly pleasing. The information below gives you a good idea of how good:

	Hutton Cranswick	National
Average Scale Score	105	102
% of children meeting the		
expected standard in reading,	70%	52%
writing and maths combined		
% of children meeting the		
expected standard in reading	70%	65%
% of children meeting the		
expected standard in writing	85%	73%
% of children meeting the	85%	70%
expected standard in maths		

These results put us in the top 20 schools in the East Riding, which is very impressive considering how much harder to achieve the new expectations are. The team of teachers and teaching assistants across the school contribute to this massively – every year group is working their hardest to achieve great things!

On our letter heads you will shortly see two brand new symbols too! We were awarded Sports Mark Gold for 2015/16 for all of the clubs, tournaments and successes we achieved across the last academic year. Did you know that 92% of our KS2 children last year attended a sports related club? Amazing!

Also, we have been awarded the Mode Shift Gold award. Our Junior Travel Ambassadors in last year's Year 6 worked very hard to raise awareness of road and pedestrian safety, and that combined with our whole school ethos made the judge's decision very easy. We were praised for our commitment, particularly to road safety and our campaign for a crossing. ERYC have said a build out will happen near the Spar shop, and we continue to chase this up!





### And another thing...

We were awarded a Silver Gilt Award by the Britain in Bloom judges. All the hard work that Mrs Lucas, gardening club and our welcome volunteers (mainly Mrs Lucas' family!) really paid off!

The judges commented:

"As one enters Hutton Cranswick Primary School, it is apparent that from the Head down all staff play a part in the development of the pupil's environmental and horticultural awareness."

We will endeavour to work alongside the Village in Bloom again this academic year – the village itself managed to secure gold! Well done to everyone involved!

# Remember...the new Hutton Cranswick Sports Jacket!

Hopefully most of you will have seen the new style jacket at the Summer Fair last year. The jackets are showerproof, smart and dual purpose – to be worn to come to school but also can be used for PE and Games too meaning less hassle to ensure hoodies etc. are packed with PE Kit.

H&K will also allow personalised initials for free on the front. A few children already have them, and they look very smart, and are very competitively priced compared to buying jackets from a shop – the uniformity aspect is also handy for school trips. You can order these now from the H&K Embroidery website - http://www.handkembroidery.co.uk/



# **Achievement Assembly**

Parents often ask about the awards the children receive at Achievement Assembly (and I know that not all children are very communicative when they return from school!), so I like to remind you of these in the autumn term. The assembly follows this general format:

**Teacher mentions**: Each class teacher discusses their week with the children, and often the whole class or small groups receive a special mention. These children bring in work or demonstrate the reasons why they were mentioned and get a large round of applause.

**Presentation**: Each week a different area of the curriculum is chosen for presentation, and one child in each class is chosen to have their work displayed in the hall that week as a good example for everyone else.

**Star of the Week**: This award is given to the child who has displayed either an amazing attitude to work, or shown kind behaviour to others – generally a leading light in their class!

**Pen Licence:** These licences are issued generally to KS2 children (although not exclusively), whose pencil handwriting is so neat they can change to writing in pen. As with any licence, it can be revoked (but none have so far!)

**Raffle prizes:** Every time a child achieves their personal target three times, they receive a raffle ticket to put in the box. Each week 6-8 raffle tickets are drawn out, and the child receives a small token prize as a well done.

**Home mentions:** We acknowledge certificates, awards, badges etc. that the children are proud of achieving out of school within the previous week or two.

**Top Table:** Our lunchtime supervisors choose a child from each class to sit on the beautifully adorned top table on a Friday! These children have shown excellent manners, kindness and superb behaviour.

**Always Child**: This is given out each month, not every week. The 'Always' child is someone who is always considered to be seen doing the right thing, or quietly working hard, or generally always showing kindness to others. Their picture is displayed on the beautiful piece of oak in the reception area.

**Birthdays:** We normally finish assembly by singing 'Happy Birthday' to the children who have enjoyed a birthday during the week.

## Are you eligible for the Free School Meals grant?

Claiming free school meals for one child could save you over £400 per year, and for every pupil in a primary school receiving free school meals the government gives the school an additional £1,320 a year, known as the Pupil Premium grant.

Currently, every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive a universal free school meal regardless of the family income, but not all will be eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant. To qualify for free school meals and the Pupil Premium grant (or currently just the Pupil Premium grant for Reception and KS1) you must fulfil one of the following criteria:

- Receive income support/income based job seekers allowance or income related employment and support allowance;
- Be entitled to child tax credit but **not** receiving working tax credit and your annual income must be below the government set threshold;
- Receive support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- Receive the guaranteed credit element of pension credit;
- Be entitled to the 4 week run of working tax credit due to employment ending

To find out if your child is eligible for free school meals or if your school can claim the Pupil Premium Grant for Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 pupils you can telephone the East Riding team on (01482) 394799 or by completing the form overleaf. The completed form can be handed in at your local customer service centre or you can give it directly to the school office and we can post it for you to: Benefit Section, PO Box 12, County Hall, Beverley, HU17 9BA.

Name							
Address and postco	ode						
Date of Birth							
National Insurance of NASS number	number						
	Child 1		Child 2	Child 3	Child 4		
Used name							
Legal name							
Date of birth							
School							
Please assess my entitlement to free school meals. I understand that this is needed for Pupil Premium Grant.							
I certify that the information given on this form is to the best of my knowledge and belief correct and I agree to East Riding of Yorkshire Council using the details I provide in my application to check my eligibility now and in the future using the Eligibility Checking Service provided by the Department of Education.							
Signed:				Date:			

### **Breakfast Club**

Our daily Breakfast Club is still very popular indeed. Last week alone over 40 children attended over the course of the week, which is a remarkable number considering the size of the school. You can book in a slot the day before, and ideally if you can let us know for the week or for repeated occasions this will help with the buying in of food and drinks.

Breakfast Club starts at 8am and costs £2 per day. Remember if you need to leave your child early, they can come from 8.30am for only 50p if they just need supervision early before the start of the school day.

### The APP - a reminder!

We have had 94 downloads of our school app, which is fantastic! However, this so far only covers about 1/3 of our pupils. This is a really good way to receive letters, text communication, year group information etc. in one place.

We have a list of people that have told us they have access to the app. From next week we will be targeting parents to ask you to download it, so if you have it but aren't on our list then please let us know ASAP.

If you don't have it, it is easy! All you have to do is search for Hutton Cranswick Primary on the Apple and Google Play stores and download to your phone. When it is downloaded, email me on <a href="mailto:khenderson@huttoncranswick.eriding.net">khenderson@huttoncranswick.eriding.net</a> or call into the office to receive your username and password.

And remember to allow push notifications.

## **Open Morning**

On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October, we will be hosting an Open Morning for all parents and grandparents to attend for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row. This event is usually very well attended, and this year the Friends of School will be providing refreshments in the hall at break time.

The format for the morning is that you are allowed to walk around all classrooms and view teaching and learning, speak to adults in school as well as visiting your own child in their classroom. There will be another letter nearer the time, but at least you can add this to your diary!

### Friends of the School

The Friends held their first meeting of the year in school on Monday at 7.15pm. It was decided that all future meetings will be held in the school building, starting at 7pm and finishing at 7.55pm. The next meeting will be on 10<sup>th</sup> October and the annual AGM will be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> October.

Remember you are all members – anyone can attend the meetings and a core group are needed to attend these to maintain the charitable status, but also to coordinate events. The next events organised are the Pumpkin Ball in school on 20<sup>th</sup> October and a Halloween Disco to be held at Foreman's Garage on the 29<sup>th</sup> October. Tickets and information will be out soon!