

Newsletter

Tuesday 5th June 2018

Term Dates 2017/18

4th June Friends Meeting

8th June YR Trip Honeysuckle Farm

11th June Y1 Phonics Screening Week

11th – 22nd June Food Bank

13th and 15th June FOHCS Father's Day Secret Shop

14th June 'Bling' a Bike to School

18th JuneNew Starter's Evening
6pm

20th JuneFull Governing Body
Meeting 6pm

24th JuneFOHCS Village Wide Car
Boot Sale

25th **June** Y4 Trip Dalby Forest

25th June 9.15-10.15am New Starter's Visit with Nursery/Playgroup/Child Minder

2nd JulyWalk to School Week

Entering the final half term...

We were all very proud of our Year 6 children during the SATs tests. The children remained focused throughout, and the SATs Breakfast proved to be a great way to relax prior to each morning of testing. Thank you to all of the staff throughout school who have taught the Y6 children and contributed to their progress and achievements. A special thank you to Miss Elliott and Mrs Atkins for their positivity and hard work during the children's final year and in the lead up to the SATs. We are also very grateful to our dedicated volunteers Mrs Bjorndal and Mrs Lilly who have come into school every week to support and help groups or individuals, including SATs Club. We are really lucky to have such an experienced team supporting our children. Thank you to all of our Year 6 parents who have supported their children admirably throughout. We never put undue pressure on any of our children, but they want to do their very best and they do feel the weight of the tests. Preparation to allow children to feel they can access the tests is essential, however we put great focus and importance on broadening our curriculum and ensuring we develop skills through each and every year in all subject areas. In all year groups we offer a range of educational visits, themed days, clubs, play and lunch activities, STEAM activities – and much more. Although Year 2 SATs are much more informal, we would also like to say a big well done to the children for focusing so well on their quiz's and to the Year 2 staff team for making the tests fit smoothly into the daily routine.

Our Year 5 and 6 children thoroughly enjoyed their hands-on, interactive day of learning at the Food and Farming Day at Driffield Showground. Following on from the SATs, Year 6 were all treated to a well-deserved visit to Hull Theatre to watch a performance of David Walliams' Awful Auntie. A great day was had by all!

Open Evening

We are already looking forward to sharing our learning with you at our Open Evening on **Monday 16**th **July**. This is a great chance to have a look around all of the classrooms in school and see our displays which showcase the children's learning in all year groups. It is also an opportunity to come in and let your child show you their books and work, have a chat with the teacher and also meet next year's teacher. This year we will be performing a couple of songs just before the end of the school day. Weather permitting, the whole school will be singing on the playground at **3.00pm**. We would love to see you at **3.00pm** and we are sure this will be a brilliant start to the evening. Further details about this event and how we will be celebrating the arts across school will be in the next newsletter.

Food Bank

As a school, we are supporting the Food Bank – Schools Food Drive. Over a two week period, 11th- 22nd June, the school will be holding a food drive for the local food bank. During this period we will be collecting donations in school. Over the last few years, food banks across the country have seen a significant increase in the number of families with children that require their support. There is an additional letter that will be sent home this week with further information about the Food Drive and a list of the sort of items that can be donated. We appreciate your support in advance and hope that together we can support others and make a significant difference.

2nd July 9.15-10.15am New Starter's Visit with parents

2nd JulyFriends Meeting 7pm

3rd July Y3 Trip Wassand Hall

3rd, 4th and 5th July Home Visits for New Starters

4th and 5th July New Class Move Up Mornings

6th July KS1 Sports Day AM KS2 Sports Day PM

9th **July** Little Big Sing KS1 PM

10th JulyBig Sing Glee Club PM

11th July KS2 French Day

12th JulyWorld Cup Day

13th July Reports sent home

13th JulyFOHCS Summer Fair –
after school

16th JulyParents/Carers Open
Evening 3.00pm-5.30pm

18th July Driffield Show

19th July Y6 Leaver's Production 6pm

20th JulyYear 6 Leaver's Assembly
9.30am

JTAs (Junior Travel Ambassadors)

Our JTAs, Brooke, Lexi, Ellie and Phoebe, have been busy over the past two years delivering assemblies, organising competitions and promoting the message of safer, active and independent travel within the school community. The children are currently working with our new Road Safety Officer Christian Jordan. Alongside Christian and Miss Elliott, the children are planning new ideas and initiatives that they will be launching in the summer term. There will be a letter sent out soon with further information but please be aware of key dates coming up:

Thursday 14th **June:** 'Bling' your bike to school.

Monday 2nd July: Walk to School Week.

Monday 2nd July: Bike Doctor led by Christian Jordan.

A big thank you to our JTAs for all of the time and work they have put into leading in this area. They have been extremely proactive, independent and passionate about their role as a JTA. It would be great to see as many children as possible joining in with the events to show our support to the children and ensure the events are successful and have a lasting impact.

STEAM

(Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths)

During the summer term your child will be taking part in different STEAM activities

on a Friday afternoon. The teachers, led by Mr Nevet as our STEAM lead, have planned exciting and inspiring sessions linked to this year's theme – Forces and Construction. The children will be arranged across KS2 in mixed aged groups for their session and will work with different teachers. KS1 are also taking part in the STEAM sessions this year and will run their own version of STEAM sessions on a Friday afternoon. Their learning is also based on Forces and Construction. We had really positive feedback from the children last year who thoroughly enjoyed their STEAM sessions that were based on Survival. Several of our Governors also join us for the STEAM afternoons, thereby increasing the adult pupil ratio, allowing even more of a hands on experience for the children. We benefit greatly from the Governor's skills and knowledge in this area. Look out for further information your child will bring home linked to this exciting learning opportunity.

Sport Update

A huge well done to Jasmine! She formed part of a girls football team for the Driffield Cluster and played several successful tournaments which resulted in the team being crowned Humber Champions. What a fantastic achievement!

The Netball club have played two of their High 5 netball league matches against Keldmarsh and Tickton Primary School. The children played really well as a team in both matches with great dodging skills and passing. We drew against Keldmarsh and lost against Tickton. Well done to all!

Well done to all children who participated in the recent GB Biathlon. It was lovely to see some new faces at this event. We didn't have enough children to make teams so all children entered individually and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Two hockey teams played in a cluster tournament. Both teams played against some strong opposition and really put their skills into practise. They had a lovely evening and played some great hockey. Our children are always fine ambassadors for our school and do themselves proud at all sporting events. Thank you to Miss Midgley and Miss Robinson for their time in arranging and attending these events.

Governor Spotlight!

Name: Suzanna Hills

Roles: Co-opted governor with responsibility for Safeguarding and Child Protection. I am also part

of the Communication Team.



Can you tell us a little bit about yourself?

I have lived in Cranswick for 22 years and love getting involved with the village. I work within Children's Social Care as a Children's Home Manager working with young people who are not able to live with their own families. In my spare time I love going to the gym and walking my dog.

Why did you decide to become a governor?

I decided to become a governor when both my children were at the school

(they are both now at Driffield school). I was really keen to become a governor as although I believe academic achievement should be aimed for, I believe that education is so much more than that. I believe that the school should support every child no matter what their areas of interest and strengths are. This could be in art, sports, music or just being a great friend to other children. I also believe that the school experience should be positive for every child.

What kind of things have you had to do in your role as a governor?

Much of my time is spent looking at the area of Safeguarding and Child Protection with my fellow governor Ann Lilly. We meet regularly with the Head to make sure the school is the best it can be in this area. We check that they have all policies and systems in place to help protect all the children. We also come into school and check staff members knowledge. I am also part of the communication team that focusses on reading, writing and speaking and listening. I currently chair the Leadership and Management Committee which I enjoy, as it gives us the chance to work closely as a group of governors. I also attend a variety of training to make sure I am up to date to help support the school.

Car Park/Park

Several parents and staff members have shared their concerns about children playing on the roof of the canopy at the park before and after school. We would kindly ask you to speak to your children about this to avoid the possibility of any accidents. It is great to see so many children playing on the park after school and it really enhances the community feel. We would request however that you could remind your children when you pick them up that they must go to the toilet then, rather than coming back into school later on. Mr Walker starts cleaning toilets straight away and mops the floor so the children are in danger of slipping on wet floors. Thank you.

Thank you to all of the parents/carers who have avoided parking in the car park at the front of school when dropping off at the start of the school day. This has ensured greater safety of the children.

Summer Uniform

Please can we remind you that summer uniform should consist of a yellow or bluechecked dress, grey, black or navy shorts, skirt, pinafore dress or trousers. Skirts should be knee length at a minimum please and no ski pants, joggers or leggings. Children should wear yellow or white polo/cotton shirts. Shoes should always be plain black, not sandals and with no heel. Please remember to check that all of your child's clothing is labelled especially jumpers as we have many left on the field after break times. Thank you.

The Friends of the School

Below is a reminder of up and coming events led by the FOHCS:

- Ice Cream Fridays 3:20pm outside school. All ice creams / lollies are £1.
- Wednesday 13th and Friday 15th June: Father's Day Secret Shop lunchtime in school, everything £1.50.
- Sunday 24th June: Village-wide Car Boot Sale 10am to 2pm. Pitches are £5.
- Friday 13th July: Summer Fair after school

The next Friends meeting is Monday 2nd July, 7pm at the school.

Everyone is welcome. The Friends are always open to new ideas and offers of help.

Thank you to the Friends of the School for their commitment, hard work and time that they give to organising events and fundraising for the school.

Follow the Friends of the School on their Twitter account: @HuttCransFOTS

