

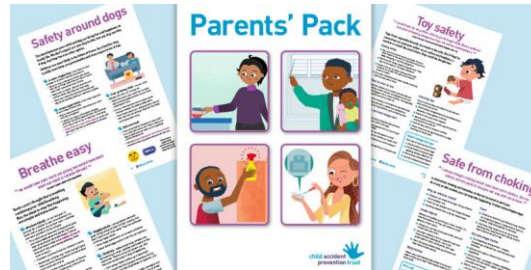


## **'Sowing Seeds – Bearing Fruit – Harvesting Potential'**

### **Husthwaite CE Primary School and Apple Tree Nursery Monthly Newsletter**

**JUNE 2026**

Child Safety Week – Child Safety Week was a great opportunity to focus on simple ways we can help keep our children safe in everyday situations, whether at home, at school, or out and about. To support this, your child brought home a leaflet filled with easy tips and ideas for staying safe. We encourage you to have a look through it together and explore the activities as a family – it's a lovely way to start important conversations and build safe habits together.



At the beginning of this half term all our children thoroughly enjoyed their day with **Sowerby Music**. EYFS and KS1 loved listening to the jazz music and joining in with lots of new songs, especially when Mrs Chappell and Mrs Bell were made to march around at the front of the hall to the children's singing! The afternoon was enjoyed by all, with the younger children learning a song about a pirate ship sinking in a storm, which they accompanied with instruments to bring the story to life. The children thoroughly enjoyed performing to each other at the end of the day to much applause.

#### **KS2 Time Odyssey Educational Visit**



Years 3 to 6 had an absolutely unforgettable adventure on their Time Odyssey trip! Working in small teams on 'Warp Decks', the children were immersed in a brilliant blend of digital exploration and hands-on learning. From the moment they began, their enthusiasm and focus were incredible to see. Using a fun and easy-to-use app, the children met fascinating characters from different periods in history—Revna the Viking, Cheng the trainee scribe from Ancient China, Felix the future Roman centurion and Hori the Egyptian tomb painter. Each group chose a character and took on a series of exciting challenges to help send them back to their own time.



This wasn't just screen-based learning—the children impressed everyone with how thoughtfully they explored real museum artefacts. They carefully observed, discussed and analysed objects, working brilliantly as teams to gather enough “energy” to open a time portal. Along the way, they also got involved in creative tasks, photography and lively discussions, showing fantastic curiosity and teamwork. The engagement from all was outstanding—it was wonderful to see them learning through storytelling, play and discovery, while bringing history to life in such an exciting way.



#### **BOOKFAIR:**

Thank you for your fantastic support of our recent Book Fair! We're delighted to share that a total of **£637.35** was spent. We will let you know shortly how much this equates to in rewards for our school once monies have been banked.

#### **Sports, Health and Wellbeing Week 2026**

The children have had an amazing week taking part in all the different activities! They have shown fantastic sportsmanship, congratulating and cheering each other on—especially during our Hushwaite Hexathlon on Monday. They thoroughly enjoyed challenging themselves on the climbing apparatus at the park on Wednesday and, as always, Mr Shimwell's obstacle course was a huge hit with its fun and exciting challenges. The children are also very excited about the skipping and boxing activities in stall for them today

EYFS have loved sports week, and it has been a fantastic opportunity to develop their writing / mark making skills by writing/ drawing about their favourite activities and our visit to the park.





### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June Awards

#### Class 1, Mrs Chappell.

🍏 **Apple Award** - Freya, for her positive attitude when working with a group to practise her performance poetry. She showed some great leadership skills.

⭐ **Headteacher's Sticker** - George W, for his wonderful drawings linked to our class text *Billy and the Beast*.

👉 **Writer of the Week** - Effie, for her fantastic writing about *Billy and the Beast*. She remembered to use capital letters and full stops. Well done Effie.

#### Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

**Apple Award** – Sharday, for her enthusiasm during our Time Odyssey trip, working effectively with her group, and making excellent use of her Warp Deck to capture a wealth of information.

**Headteacher's Sticker** – Noah, for engaging very well with our new Statistics unit, demonstrating strong understanding of tallying and tables.

**Writer of the Week** – Robert, for pushing himself to extend his poem with additional stanzas and for incorporating humour effectively into his writing.

#### Class 3, Mr Chapman and Miss Wilkie.

**Apple Award** - George. The final half term has started amazingly. Great behaviours for learning, and fantastic work in our Time unit. You have really grasped this tricky concept, especially converting between analogue and digital, 12 and 24 hour. Well done.

**Headteachers sticker** – William Hodson for his positivity and growth mindset in all areas, especially this week. YOU CAN DO IT!

**Writer of the week** – Charlotte. Writing another stanza for a poem can be tricky, especially if it needs to rhyme. Charlotte worked really hard to edit and improve her writing until she was pleased with the result.

**Harry the HOOSC Hippo:** Alice for her polite manners, smiles and enthusiasm in all activities. Some fabulous den making, imaginative play and scratch art this week.

### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June Awards

#### Class 1, Mrs Chappell.

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| <p> <b>Apple Award</b> - Peaches for her perseverance during our <i>Talk Through Stories</i> session this week. She worked incredibly hard drawing <i>Fat Cat</i>, using lots of careful lines and circles. Well done, Peaches!</p> <p> <b>Headteacher's Sticker</b> - Ivor, Freya, George, Aeris and Charlotte for their fantastic effort in phonics this week. They showed super recognition of digraphs and used excellent blending skills to read both real and alien words. Great work, everyone!</p> <p> <b>Writer of the Week</b>- Iris for her fantastic letter formation when independently writing her name. We are very proud of you—keep up the amazing work, Iris!</p> |
| <p><b>Class 2, Miss Goodchild.</b></p> <p><b>Apple Award</b> – Casper for sharing his knowledge about rainforests with his classmates. Having previously studied the topic, he has confidently taken on the role of our resident expert.</p> <p><b>Headteacher's Sticker</b> – Evie for her wonderful singing during Collective Worship, and Rhodie, Raeph and Alice for their fantastic phonics efforts in this week's special quizzes.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week</b> – Oscar for using adjectives effectively in his animal sentences.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <p><b>Class 3, Mr Chapman and Miss Wilkie.</b></p> <p><b>Apple Award</b> - Daisy for a week where she has shone in all areas! From her unwavering focus during silent quizzes, to challenging herself to write a range of complex sentences in English and considering Design Criteria for a multifunctional piece of equipment in DT. Well done Daisy!</p> <p><b>Headteachers sticker</b> – Wilf K for some impressive maths! He has included thoughtful responses during teaching sessions and carefully answered questions in his learning that demonstrate great understanding.</p> <p><b>Writer of the week</b> – Evie has taken her writing to the next level! She consistently challenges herself to write more, write better and then improve what she has done. She follows instructions carefully to ensure what she writes is what is expected – but better!</p>                                                        |
| <p><b>Harry the HOOSC Hippo:</b> Elliot, for always being so enthusiastic about all our activities. Den building, crafts, games, and outdoor play you always do everything with a smile!</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

| Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June Awards                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| <p><b>Class 1, Mrs Chappell.</b></p> <p> <b>Apple Award</b> - Congratulations to Jack for his superb determination in improving his number work. He has shown real perseverance, and his hard work is clearly reflected in his fantastic achievements. Well done, Jack!</p> <p> <b>Headteacher's Sticker</b> - A big well done to Alana for growing in confidence this term. She has worked incredibly hard and is making great progress towards achieving the marks needed for an A in her writing. Keep it up, Alana!</p> <p> <b>Writer of the Week</b> - Congratulations to Ivor for his wonderful kenning poem. His creativity and effort truly stood out—fantastic work, Ivor!</p> |
| <p><b>Class 2, Miss Goodchild.</b></p> <p><b>Apple Award</b> -Congratulations to Rhodie-May for her excellent focus and effort in her learning this week. Well done for showing such a positive attitude in class!</p> <p><b>Headteacher's Sticker</b>- A big well done to Archie for his dedication to improving his spelling. He has been putting in extra practice during class and is working incredibly hard to master key spellings—fantastic effort!</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week</b>-Congratulations to Isla for her outstanding work on her Kenning poem. Her thoughtful planning, careful drafting, and polished final piece truly stood out—very impressive!</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <p><b>Class 3, Mr Chapman and Miss Wilkie.</b></p> <p><b>Apple Award</b> - Hope. She should be SO PROUD of how far she has come. In the last 6 months we have seen Hope mature into a thoughtful, considerate and patient young person, ready for Secondary school and all that entails, with an ever-increasing resilience that will enable her to take on new challenges with confidence.</p> <p><b>Headteachers sticker</b> – Eliza for her amazing work on symmetry. Not only did she complete her tasks quickly and accurately, she also then went round and helped everybody else too!</p> <p><b>Writer of the week</b> – Ellie AND Alfie. Both of them have challenged themselves in their writing this week, producing work that was well structured, informative and beautifully presented. KEEP IT UP!</p>                                                                                                                          |
| <p><b>Harry the HOOSC Hippo:</b> Robert. For his love of problem solving especially when playing and supporting others when playing Gravitrax.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

| Friday 26 June – Sport, Health and Wellbeing Week Awards                         |
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| <p><b>Class 1, Mrs Chappell.</b></p> <p>Team Spirit – TEAMWORK: Charlotte J.</p> |

True Sportsman - HONESTY: Elliott W.

Tried Hardest - DETERMINATION: Archie B.

Giving 100% - PASSION: Freya G.

In It To Win It – SELF BELIEF: George B.

Awesome Athlete – RESPECT: Aeris

#### **Class 2, Miss Goodchild.**

Team Spirit – TEAMWORK: Rhodie-May.

True Sportsman - HONESTY: Evie-Mae C.

Tried Hardest - DETERMINATION: Hunter.

Giving 100% - PASSION: Raeph.

In It To Win It – SELF BELIEF: Jack M.

Awesome Athlete – RESPECT: Angus.

#### **Class 3, Mr Chapman and Ms Wilkie.**

Team Spirit – TEAMWORK: Charlie W.

True Sportsman - HONESTY: Douglas.

Tried Hardest - DETERMINATION: Sare.

Giving 100% - PASSION: Phoebe R.

In It To Win It – SELF BELIEF: Alfie L-C.

Awesome Athlete – RESPECT: Freya D.

**Harry the HOOSC Hippo:** Oscar. For his love of all sports and outdoor activities. You enjoy being active and including all your friends in your games.

For your information our Collective worship Christian value this half term is Enjoyment – through the theme of Creativity. Your child brought home a school values sheet of ideas at the beginning of this half term in their book bag, should you wish to explore their understanding of this value further at home.

This afternoon you are warmly welcome to **Friday Celebration Collective Worship** at 2.45pm in our school hall, hosted by Miss Bennett.

Have a lovely weekend.

#### **NOTICES:**

- **Classes 2026-27.** Thank you to those of you that attended your child's transition meeting with their class teacher for next year. The children will be having two transition mornings on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> July in preparation for September.

| CLASS | YEAR group(s)                  | CLASSTEACHER             | Class transition meeting date and location                                                                                                   |
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| 1     | Nursery, Reception and Year 1. | Mrs Chappell             | <b>Nursery and Reception</b><br>Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June, 5pm, Class 1.<br><b>Year 1</b><br>Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June, 4pm, Class 1. |
| 2     | Years 2, 3 and 4               | Miss Goodchild           | Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June, 5pm, Class 2.                                                                                                |
| 3     | Years 5 and 6                  | Mr Chapman and Ms Wilkie | Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 3.30pm, Class 3.                                                                                             |

#### • **School Meal Prices Sept 2026**

We would like to inform you about an upcoming increase in the cost of school meals. Starting from September, the price per meal will increase to £3.85 (this is already subsidised by school as the actual cost from North Yorkshire Catering is over £4.00). We understand that this is a significant adjustment, but escalating food and staffing costs is beyond our control.

- **HUSTHWAITE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL VACANCY** We currently are seeking a **HOOSC** Play Leader, if you know of anyone who would be interested in this post please signpost them to our school office for further information.
- **FOHS Disco postponed.** Due to having to move our Sports Day and Colour Run, the Disco has been postponed and FOHS will inform all of the new date asap.
  - **June online safety newsletter for parents.** Please see the June online safety newsletter to support you in providing your child with a safe online environment. As always we want to promote having a safe online environment for children both at school and at home.

#### **SUMMER TERM DIARY DATES:**

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| 1 July | Am - Stay & Play / Reception September 2026 transition<br>1pm Sports Afternoon and Colour Run |
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| 2 July  | Husthwaite Hummingbirds Instrumental Music Concert 2.25pm                              |
| 8 July  | Y5 Language Morning at Easingwold Outwood                                              |
| 8 July  | FOHS AGM 4.30pm<br>KS2 Production 6pm                                                  |
| 10 July | School Disco 3.20-5pm<br>Annual School Reports                                         |
| 15 July | Partnership Day – Carnival Theme (KS2 at Sessay)<br>Year 6 Fun Games Evening at Sessay |
| 17 July | Y6 Leavers Service St Nicholas Church 9.30am                                           |
| 18 July | School closes for summer 3.20pm                                                        |

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