



'Sowing Seeds – Bearing Fruit – Harvesting Potential'
Husthwaite CE Primary School and Apple Tree Nursery Monthly Newsletter

JULY 2025...

The month of June was concluded with our traditional Sports afternoon and then the FOHS 50th anniversary Husthwaite CE Primary School Colour Run which was very much enjoyed by all. A big congratulations to George B in Class 1, Hunter in Class 2 and Daisy in Class 3 who raised the most sponsorship money, winning an Amazon voucher each and a huge thank you to FOHS for organising and giving every child a commemorative 50th Anniversary goody bag! Monies raised funded our end of year Federation trip to Redcar beach.





July has certainly been a very busy and memorable last month of the Summer term.

☀️ Years 3 and 4 Carlton Lodge Residential – A Trip to Remember! ☀️ Our recent residential trip to Carlton Lodge was an incredible experience for all involved. The children threw themselves into every activity with enthusiasm and courage—whether it was kayaking, climbing, or team challenges. They faced new experiences, overcame fears, and supported one another every step of the way. It was wonderful to see their confidence grow as they developed new skills and made lasting friendships. The group were an absolute pleasure to take—positive throughout, respectful to all and full of energy. They truly made us proud and created memories that will stay with them for years to come. Well done to all our brilliant adventurers!



Year 5 took part in a languages enrichment day at Easingwold Outwood. Young Leaders at our local secondary school led the event and children were able to experience French and Spanish activities where they practiced vocabulary and sentence building through engaging games like Chinese Whispers, Bingo, and a fun twist on the classic Hot and Cold game! The morning ended on a high note with everyone performing a French song complete with actions. All children as always were brilliantly behaved and a credit to our school.

Early this month our Year 6 children received their KS2 SAT's results and we were very proud of all eight of our Year 6 children. All their hard work paid off and our KS2 results were fantastic, congratulations to all!

Husthwaite Hummingbirds Summer Serenade Concert was most certainly a tuneful and talented performance enjoyed by our whole school community. Our choir were amazing as always and our year 6 choristers performed chosen, special songs. From pianists and guitarists to duets, the talent was endless...



Last week all the children enjoyed a morning in their new classes for September 2025 to ensure a smooth transition for all. All children are excited to be moving up to the next year group.

👏 KS2 Dazzled in *Archibald's War* 👏 We are so proud of our wonderful KS2 children for their fantastic performances in *Archibald's War*. Both performances brought the West End Theatre to Husthwaite school! Each and every one of them brought the story to life with such confidence, enthusiasm, and heart. From expressive acting to beautiful singing, they truly shone on stage. It was clear how much effort they had put into rehearsals, and their teamwork and dedication really paid off. The audience reviews were impressive and it was a joy to watch them perform with such pride and passion. Well done to all involved—you were amazing!





Our Year 5 and 6 Young Leader's achieved their Archbishop's Young Leader's awards. Husthwaite CE Primary School contributions to our community for now 7 years were recognised and all our Year 5 and 6 children have shown growth in leadership, faith and character.



Year 6 from across the Federation marked the end of Primary School with the traditional Year 6 Fun Night! An ice-cream started the proceedings, followed by a HUGE water fight (Esme Hannah and Leo Craven – what happened to Team Husthwaite?!), where no pupils or adults remained dry! Pizza was ordered and eaten in copious amounts (Joseph 8-slices Mee), then games and cake! It was a fantastic evening, enjoyed by all.



The highlight for all this week was most definitely our Federation Day, Redcar seaside visit. From learning about the Redcar Beacon landmark, to the sustainability of the more recent wind farm. The children thoroughly enjoyed a carousel of beach activities involving lots of team work, of course paddling in the

North Sea and enjoying a seaside ice cream were highlights of the day! We were blessed with perfect weather and a huge thanks to FOHS for fully funding this visit.



Friday 4 July Awards

Class 1, Mrs Chappell.

Hedgehog Award: Florrie for being so kind and helpful to our new nursery and reception children during their transition visit.

Headteacher's Sticker: Minnie for her hard work and perseverance working with bigger numbers in Maths.

Writer of the Week: Ivor for his super use of descriptive language when writing about our Rainbow Fish text.

Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

Hedgehog Award: George for rising to all the challenges at Carlton Lodge, especially the tree climb!

Headteacher's Sticker: Eliza for all her maturity in all the activities.

Writer of the Week: Rocco for his beautiful tiger fact file.

Class 3, Mr Chapman

Hedgehog Award: Ethan for his enjoyment and perseverance at Carlton Lodge especially when he got cold in the Lake!

Headteacher's Sticker: Eliza W. Maturity and asking questions in PHSE that benefitted the whole class.

Writer of the Week: Hope for her organisation and precision in writing of her double-page spread.

Harry the HOOSC Hippo – Ellie for being a kind friend.

Friday 11 July Awards

Class 1, Mrs Chappell.

Hedgehog Award: Freya for her super kindness with the new reception and nursery children.

Headteacher's Sticker: Alice for her hard work in maths using money.

Writer of the Week: Rhodie-May for her wonderful letter to future children of Class 1.

Class 2, Miss Goodchild.

Hedgehog Award: Hunter for impressing Mr Houghton 2 weeks in a row at Forest Schools.

Headteacher's Sticker: Beatrix for demonstrating great effort in the school play by projecting her voice clearly and using expression throughout her performance.

Writer of the Week: Walter for working hard on segmenting CVVC and CCVC words.

Class 3, Mr Chapman

Hedgehog Award: Hope for throwing herself into her character in our production, Archibald's War.

Headteacher's Sticker: Eliza M. for consistent high expectations of herself from the presentation of her acting in the play.

Writer of the Week: Daisy for her precise recording of ideas during our transition tasks.

Harry the HOOSC Hippo – Dotty for always being happy and helpful.

This morning you are warmly welcome to our Leaver's Service in St. Nicholas' Church at 9.30am, hosted by Year 6, Miss Bennett, Miss Goodchild and Rev Katie.

We say goodbye and send our very best wishes to all our Year 6 children and their families who are taking their next big step to secondary school.

Wishing you all a fabulous summer break! We look forward to welcoming all our children back to school on Tuesday 2nd September 2025.

NOTICES:

- **Summer Reading Challenge 2025.**



This year's theme is Story Garden – Adventures in Nature and The Great Outdoors. Do sign your child up at your local library, as always there are stickers and goodies to collect along the way and if you complete the challenge of reading 6 books and visiting the library 3 times, there is a medal and certificate of recognition.

- **School Meal Prices September 2025**

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 £3.50 (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 it is a decision that is unfortunately beyond our control.

- **Summer Holiday Activities available.**

FEAST <https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast/>

Mr Shimwell's Summer Holiday Programme will be held at Sessay school site this summer. Please contact Mr Shimwell to book a place (07966 626816).

- **Calling All Favourite Recipes!**

We're excited to announce that we're putting together a special recipe book filled with our children's and families' favourite dishes as part of a FOHS fundraising event this autumn! We'd love for you to start thinking about your favourite recipe(s) to include. These can be anything from starters and main courses to puddings, drinks, sweets, or treats. The more variety, the better!

Whether it's a cherished family classic or a fun new favourite, we want to hear about it. The goal is to create a fun, useful, and delicious collection that everyone can enjoy. Details on how to submit your recipes will follow in the new academic year.

- **July online safety newsletter for parents.** Please see the July 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.

- **Federation Local Committee.**

PARENT COMMITTEE MEMBER VACANCY – WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND BECOME A FEDERATION PARENT COMMITTEE MEMBER?

MAKE A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION TO YOUR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY.

DEVELOP YOUR OWN PROFESSIONAL SKILLS.

HELP SHAPE EXPERIENCES FOR THE NEXT GENERATION.

No in-depth knowledge of the education system is needed, you bring with you skills and workplace knowledge that will help positively impact young lives. For more details please don't hesitate to contact Miss Bennett.

WE WILL BE HAVING OUR PARENT COMMITTEE MEMBER ELECTIONS IN THE AUTUMN TERM 2025

What is it like to be a Committee member?

'Having been a School Governor since November 2023, I wanted to share some of my experiences and explain a bit more about what it is like to be a member of the Husthwaite and Sessay Local Governing Body.

Being a Governor is a great way to understand more about how the School's operate and support staff to improve the lives and education of the children and communities they serve. As a Governor, your role is to provide oversight of the School budget, curriculum, policies (including safeguarding), property and staff and act as a local voice to the trustees of the Elevate Multi-Academy Trust that we are now part of.

The Governing Body meets 3 times a year (once per term) for a couple of hours and Governor's should aim to visit at least one of the School's each term to maintain familiarity with the school and staff and discuss an area of school governance that you will have been assigned (known as a Link Governor). You do not need any specific skills or qualifications to be a Governor - however interest and experience in one of the areas listed above would be a great addition to our small group.

If you are interested to know more about being a Governor/Committee member then please contact Miss Bennett.'
(P White – Parent Governor at Husthwaite)

DIARY DATES:

18 July	9.30am Leaver's service at St Nicholas' Church 2.30pm School closes for the Summer Holidays
1 September	TRAINING DAY
Tuesday 2 September	Back to school for the new academic year, Autumn term.

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