



A Community of Faith, A Place of Learning

First Newsletter of the Year

A very late Happy New Year to everyone as we have not had a newsletter so far this term. I hope you all had a good Christmas and New Year.

I would like to thank the Sword Dance Team who turned up on Boxing Day to dance around the village and entertain not just local people but also others from beyond Flamborough, who make the journey to watch every year. One man stopped me and asked if the Junior team perform every year and when I answered yes, he replied that he would be coming every year from now on!



Fire Festival

I did not attend the festival but have heard very good reports about it, if you attended please let me know as Jane the organizer would like to send some certificates for you



Reminders

At the start of the new term, it is important to go through some of the general reminders that we have in school.

Please can I remind everyone of the school's uniform policy as found in the prospectus. Please ensure all uniform is named. No jewelry apart from watches and stud earrings are allowed in school and nail varnish is not permitted. Uniform is really important to the school and its identity. While the weather is so variable, it may be advisable to send the children in with a change of shoes and socks and please ensure that the children have warm coats, gloves, hats etc.

Parking- The JTAs would like to resume their duties so are asking that you park sensibly when you drop off and pick up.

Attendance- Mrs Hall is busy monitoring lateness and attendance this year. Please ensure that if your child is ill, that you let the school know by 9.30am.

To clarify the procedure- if your child's attendance falls below 90% an initial letter is sent to remind you and ask for improvements. Letter 2 is then sent if there is no improvement within a 4 week period. Then, if there is still not improvement, you will be invited to an action plan meeting where targets are set and a review date is made. At the review date, if this is not improved, the next stage is to refer to County. The school are answerable to County who monitor our attendance and how we deal with it. County are answerable to the Government.



Next Week

On Tuesday we have the Sportshall Athletic event after school for year 5&6. This is at Headlands School from 4-6pm

There are a number of up and coming sports events that we will keep you updated with future events and asking for volunteers.

Proud Assemblies

The dates for the Proud Assemblies for the remainder of the term are as follows:

8th February

8th March

22nd March

5th April - Easter Church Service

Other events we have planned for this term are:-

On Wednesday 30th January, Christian Jordan, our road safety officer is coming into school to run a bike clinic. If you would like your child's bike checked over, please bring them to school that day. He will check bikes and talk to the children about maintenance and care.

Tuesday 5th February the Badminton Team will be competing in the second round at Bridlington School- we wish them luck.

Mrs Hansen will be putting on a special Valentines lunch on Thursday 14th February.

The Friends of Flamborough School are having a meeting on Wednesday 30th January at 3.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

Our topics for this term are as follows-

Puffins - Transport
Gulls- Dragons and Castles
Guillemots- Romans
Kittiwakes- The Earth
Gannets- Mountains.

Buswise

This morning the year 6 children had a moving on presentation from County. This involved looking at how to travel safely to school on public transport. The pupils were also able to look at the dangers of not wearing a seatbelt and not sitting properly on buses.

This was a very worthwhile exercise which I hope have prepared them for year 7.



Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 96.41% which is just within the expected attendance levels. There were 19 children late for school this week which is very disappointing. I cannot stress enough how important it is that your child is in school for the start of the day. Attendance and punctuality are constantly monitored and poor attendance or regular late marks can result in a penalty fine.

The class with the highest attendance this week was the Guillemots with 98.62%. Well Done Guillemots!!