

Newsletter

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SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class one: Tom & Paige
Class two: Freya & Bella
Class three: Ava & Roxy
Class four: Abigail & Sam
Class five: Tia & Jacob Sa

FOHS PTA RELAUNCH

A big thank you to all the parents who came into school last Friday for the relaunch of Friends of Hoylandswaine at a PTA meeting. It was great to see so many parents, staff and governors pulling together to support the children in school. There were many ideas and topics discussed and we can see how well it could shape up to bring additional opportunities and resources to the children. The next meeting will be held on 22nd February at 3.40pm in class two – with a crèche in class one – and all parents are welcome, whether they made it to the first meeting or not.

Below is a picture of the outdoor structure that FOHS have in mind which will be added to the side of the playground area in the summer. This is the revised structure moving on from the gazebo for which fundraising has taken place over the last eighteen months. We thought parents may like to see what we have in mind!

**SCHOOL LOTTERY**

Our lottery winner this week was Michelle Nelson! Michelle very kindly decided to donate the winnings back to the school which is very much appreciated. We have now reached 76 lottery tickets sold so thank you to the people who have signed up. We would like to get to 100 if we could! Please click on: <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/hoylandswaine-primary-school> to sign up or see the school website. Thank you for your support!

GOVERNOR NEWS

Karen Schofield, an associate member of the Governing Body and member of the local community, has decided to resign from the school governors effective immediately as her work commitments have grown. We really appreciate the support Karen has given the school in the last couple of years and look forward to continuing to work with her in her capacity as community liaison. As Karen was an associate governor, she will not be replaced at this time.

LIBRARY

As most of you know, we have been awarded £4000 by Tesco to fund our library project. On the INSET day next week staff will be clearing out the library and organising the books we want to keep ready for the new library furniture and books to go in there after half term on 2nd March. We have contracted a company which installs bespoke library furniture so we expect the library to be lovely when finished!

MONDAY 5TH FEBRUARY & MONDAY 19TH FEBRUARY – NO CHOIR

As texted out this week, there will be no choir on Monday 5th February as Miss Hudson is attending a local authority moderation meeting and no choir on Monday 19th February (as scheduled on the original clubs information letter) as Miss Hudson will be out of school on a residential trip with Y5/6.

OWLS NEWS

We are currently running many of our Owls sessions with a high number of children and are, at times, reaching capacity. Can parents please bear this in mind when asking for additional sessions as, if this means numbers will exceed capacity, we are unable to offer an additional place.

SAFER INTERNET DAY

Next week we will be recognising Safer Internet Day which is on 6th February. In school the children will be learning how to keep themselves safe online and we thought it might be helpful to remind parents that there is a great deal of information on our website to help you keep your children safe on the internet. Please visit the website at <http://www.hoylandswaineprimary.co.uk/links> for information about Esafety.

Please remember the parent information session about Esafety which will be run by Mr Bond and the NSPCC on 28th February at 5.30pm and return your slip to school if you would like to attend. Please bear in mind that this is an adult only event as sensitive topics will be discussed.

FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT

W/C 26th February is the beginning of Fair Trade Fortnight. As a Fair Trade School we will be undertaking a number of events in school but would like to draw parent attention to our Traidcraft event in school on Monday 26th February. All the children in school will spend some time with the local organisers of Traidcraft on that day to learn about what they do and where their products come from. After school, there will be a Traidcraft stall in the hall for children and parents to visit with order forms for any goods that you wish to purchase. We are encouraging all children who have saved money in their bank books this term to use these funds for any items they would like to buy but, in this instance as an external supplier is coming into school, we are also able to take cash for ordered items and Mr Bond will co-ordinate this.

PANCAKE RACES

As Shrove Tuesday falls in half term week this year we will be holding our traditional pancake races on Tuesday 6th February instead. The schedule is as follows (in the playground so weather permitting!):

2.30pm – class 1

2.40pm – class 2

2.50pm – class 3

3.00pm – class 4

3.10pm – class 5

Parents are welcome to come and watch! After school there will be a FOHS bun sale so please support that if you can by sending in buns and cakes (they don't have to be homemade!) and buying some goods from the stall.

Thank you

OPEN BOOK SESSION

On Wednesday 28th February we will be holding our second Open Book session of the year. This is a chance for parents to come along and see the work their child has completed so far this year as well as have an informal chat to the class teacher who will be present in the classroom. Please come along between 3.30pm and 5.00pm at a time that suits you and we will look forward to seeing you.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Whole class photographs are scheduled to be taken by Tempest Photography on Tuesday 27th February commencing at 9.00 am. A copy of class photographs will be displayed in our reception area. If parents have objections to their child being included in their class photograph please let reception know before 27th February. Thank you.

AWAITING REPLY SLIPS FOR:

- Class 3 trip to Castle Museum, York – reply slips overdue
- Internet Safety Workshop – please return reply slips if you attending by Thursday 8th February
- Class 4 trip to MAGNA - please return reply slips by Thursday 8th February

VILLAGE QUIZ

The Hoylandswaine village committee, who organise the festival weekend and scarecrow trail each year, put together quiz sheets throughout the year to raise money for different groups. We are delighted that this time they will be donating any money raised to our upcoming library renovation. We would like to offer parents the chance to take part in the quiz and help them raise as much money as possible. Quiz sheets are £1 each and questions are cryptic clues which will lead you to the answers. Answer as many as you can and return your sheet to school by the 22nd March. Children from Breakfast and After-school club will be out on the playground next week selling sheets before and after school.

WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday 1st March we will be celebrating World Book Day. All children are welcome to come dressed as a book or film character on that day and make a donation of £1 or more to our library renovation. The more money that is donated the more wonderful new books we can provide for the children!

PAYMENTS DUE

- Class 3 trip to Castle Museum, York - payment now overdue
- Class 4 trip to MAGNA – please make payments via Schoolmoney by 23rd February 2018. Thank you.

REMINDER

The children will break up for the half term holiday on Thursday 8th February next week and will return on Monday 19th February.

CLUB ACTIV HOLIDAY ADVENTURES

Date: Monday 12th – Friday 16th February 2018

Time: 8.30 am – 3.30 pm (with an option of 4.30 pm pick up)

Venue: Silkstone Primary School, Barnsley, S75 4LR

Easy to book: www.events.teamactiv.org/community/ or tel. 01226 720700

*** now accepting childcare vouchers ***

ACTIV ARTS PRESENTS...

'Musical Mayhem' - a day full of fun, music and dance

Date: Thursday 15th February 2018

Time: 8.30 am – 3.30 pm (with a performance by the children at 3.00 pm)

Venue: Silkstone Common Methodist Church

Price: £19

Children should bring a packed lunch, drinks and snacks. Comfortable loose clothing and trainers/pumps should be worn.

www.events.teamactiv.org/community

FEBRUARY DATES

- 5th February – Y1/2 Team Activ Relay Event pm
- 6th February – pancake races in school playground pm
- 6th February – National Safer Internet Day
- 8th February – Class 3 trip to Castle Museum, York
- **8th February – children break up for half term**
- 9th February – INSET day for staff only in school
- **19th February – return from half term**
- 19th February – 21st February – Robinwood for Y5/6 children
- 26th February – Traidcraft event in school
- 27th February – whole class photos
- 28th February 3.30pm – 5.00pm – Open Book Session – all parents welcome in classes
- 28th February 5.30pm – Esafeguarding work workshop with Mr Bond and NSPCC

Have a wonderful weekend

FRIENDS OF HOYLANDSWAINE SCHOOL

Hi Everyone

We would like to start with a big thanks to everyone who attended the last meeting. It was very positive to see parents, teachers and governors attending to show their commitment in supporting the children and the school. This was a great turnout with some really positive ideas coming through.

Minutes have been sent out, if you have not received them and would like to please email using the link at the bottom of the page. You will also find them attached to the Facebook page (link below)

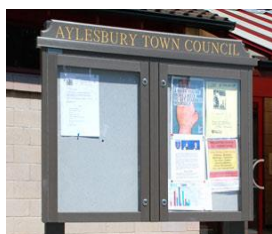
*******EVENT ALERT*******

Thursday 8th February – end of term bun sale. All donations to school office by 12 noon on the 8th. Text reminders will be sent out next week also. Volunteers will be needed to help set up (approx. 3pm) to help. Please email below or facebook page if you can help at all.

AGM - The next AGM which will be held at the School on Thursday 22rd February. The meeting will commence at 3.40pm with the PTA Annual General Meeting, in the school followed by a normal meeting. We anticipate that the AGM should last approximately 10 minutes and the normal meeting should not last longer than 1 hour. All positions are up for election and we need parents to come forward and take up these positions to keep this essential asset to the school and your children going. If you would like any further information about what is involved in being a Committee Member, please speak to Philip Bray.

******* SHOUT OUT TO PARENTS *******

As you may be aware FOHS are hoping to fund a notice board that could be displayed when entering the school grounds to keep parents updated, display newsletters along with future events. Unfortunately due to other commitments we are unable to currently do this. HOWEVER..... we have been very lucky as a parent has offered to secure and concrete the board/structure but we need a joiner! Picture below to give an idea of what we are looking for. If you know anyone that may be able to help can you please get in touch with a committee member or Mrs Cole. Any suggestions or help would be greatly received.



And finally, have a good weekend ☺

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