

## Newsletter - Wednesday 1st May



*Living Together,  
Learning Together  
and Shining Together  
in the Love of God.*

*'In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they might see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.'* Matthew 5v16



This half term, we have been thinking about justice in our worship. We have thought about: how we can treat others fairly; making wise decisions; seeing God's love in action and also seeing the whole picture. It has been a joy to hear what the children really think about what justice means and how this understanding can be applied in their lives.



### *A Community Fun Day*

Our **summer fair** will be on **Saturday 6th July, 11am - 3pm**. Our PFA is busy planning for a wide range of fun games and activities; delicious foods and treats, and interesting stalls. We want this to be a true community event - everyone is welcome to join us. More details to follow so watch this space. If you are interested in having a stall at the summer fair, please speak to us in school or contact the PFA on [nsjpf@gmail.com](mailto:nsjpf@gmail.com). Bring on the sunshine!

*Please tell your friends and family. We would love to make this a real success!*

### Non-Uniform Day

We will be having a **non-uniform day** on **Friday 24th May** to help raise some prizes for the Summer Fair Tombola. If your child would like to come to school dressed in their own clothes, we welcome donations of: unopened bottles (shampoo, shower gel etc); summer toys (skipping ropes, balls, bubbles); small garden items (potted plants, small garden decorations/ornaments etc); sweets.

### Safer Parking

We continue to remind all car drivers to be considerate and park responsibly when bringing children to school and picking them up at the end of the day. The Police have received a number of reports from concerned members of the public following incidents where children have been dropped off and stepped out into oncoming traffic. This is extremely dangerous and we do not want any of our children to be injured as a result of taking such risks. The PSCOs have been outside school this week and will continue to make regular visits to the school. They will be issuing warnings for the first offence and a fine will be automatically given for the second. They have informed us that there are plans to roll out a scheme with cameras outside school that will automatically issue fines.



For the safety of all of our children, we politely request that all drivers adhere to the highway code; ensuring that they do not block pedestrian crossings, cause difficulty for local residents or park on the zig-zag yellow lines **directly** outside school.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

## What is coming up?

Wednesday 1st May	Chosen children from the choral choir sing from the top of Hull Minster
Monday 6th May	School closed- May Day
Monday 13th May- Thursday 17th May	Year 6 SATS Week
Monday 27th May- Monday 3rd June	School closed- Spring Bank Holiday
Thursday 6th June	Year 5- A Play in a Day
Tuesday 4th June	Year 3 Pedestrian Skills
Tuesday 11th June	Year 3 Pedestrian Skills
Tuesday 11th June	Y5/6 Football @ The Parks - 7 a side 3:30-5pm
Monday 17th June- Friday 21st June	Year 5 Bikeability
Friday 21st June	Key Stage One Sports Afternoon
Monday 24th June	Sports for Schools Event
Monday 24th June	KS2 Athletics, venue TBC 3:30-5pm
Tuesday 25th June	Lower Key Stage Two Sports Morning
Tuesday 25th June	Upper Key Stage Two Sports Afternoon
Wednesday 26th June	Year 6 Residential (group 1) Guideacres
Thursday 27th June	Year 6 Allerthorpe Lakes Watersports
Thursday 27th June	Year 6 Residential (group 2) Guideacres
Saturday 6th July	Newland St. John's Academy Summer Fair (11am-3pm)
Monday 8th July	Y4/5 #ThisGirlCan Netball tournament @ Newland St John's 3:30-5pm
Tuesday 16th July	Year 6 Production to parents (evening)
Thursday 18th July	Year 6 Leavers' Service

## Attendance

Every day in school matters. We know that it makes a huge difference to how well your children do in school. We are aiming for a target of 97% attendance throughout school. Last week our whole school attendance was much lower than this at **91.7%**. Here is last week's attendance for each class:

Dormice	Hedgehogs	Squirrels	Rabbits	Badgers	Foxes	Owls	Otters	Deer
80.9%	92.5%	90.7%	97.9%	95.2%	93.8%	86.5%	90.0%	97.5%

### Attendance Facts:

***One day** of school missed = 6.5 hours of missed school and learning.*

***One week** of school missed (97% attendance) = 32.5 hours of missed school and learning.*

***Three weeks** of school missed (92% attendance) = 97.5 hours of missed school and learning.*

## Applying for Free School Meals

Applying for free school meals (regardless of whether your child has free meals in KS1) can significantly help the school as it generates funding that can be used for tutoring, to support learning and out of school clubs. Currently, it means that you will receive vouchers to help with shopping over holidays.

Please remember that you can apply at any time if your circumstances change. The quickest and easiest way to apply is to click on the link below:

To apply for Free School Meals click here: [My School Portal - Sign in](#)

## News about the Playground



Over the next half term, we will be working hard to improve the provision available to the children at playtimes. We want to encourage the children to be as active as possible. The new basketball hoops have already arrived and we hope to add more equipment as the term goes on.

Children in Year 5 have started the play leaders programme. Due to the development of playground provision and equipment, our play leaders will have an important job to encourage others to be more active and make sure all equipment is used safely.

### Sporting Updates

Please make sure your child has the correct PE kit with them ready for their PE lesson. This is a black top and shorts. Children can also have black joggers and hoodies. PE timetable is attached below:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Foxes and Badgers (Y4)	Otters (Y6) Owls (Y5)	Deer (Y6) Squirrels (Y2)	Hedgehogs (Y1)	Dormice Rabbits (Y3)

We are working closely with coaches from The North Hull Sports Network and we have some exciting ideas for the summer term involving intra school competitions and more. The competitions planned for the summer term are as follows:

- Tuesday 11th June - Y5/6 Football @ The Parks - 7 a side 3:30-5pm
- Monday 24th June - KS2 Athletics, venue TBC 3:30-5pm
- Monday 8th July - Y4/5 #ThisGirlCan Netball tournament @ Newland St John's 3:30-5pm

We will inform you of any more competitions or events that have not been mentioned in this newsletter.

Stay tuned for more information! *Miss Dulian* :)

### Clubs on Offer

We are working hard to develop the number of clubs that are on offer. We will let you know if more clubs become available.

Club	Year Group	Day and Time	Led by
Multisports club	KS1	Monday (3:30-4:30)	Coach
Yoga	All	Friday Breakfast Club	Coach
Multi sports club	All	Friday Lunch Time	Coach
Playground leader programme	Year 5	Friday (3:30-4:30)	Coach

Choral Choir * By invitation	Year 4/5	Thursday (3:15-4:00)	Mr. Keith
Lunchtime Craft Club	All	Daily	Mrs. Williams

## SENCo Spotlight - Miss Jones

### Transitions: how can I help my child?

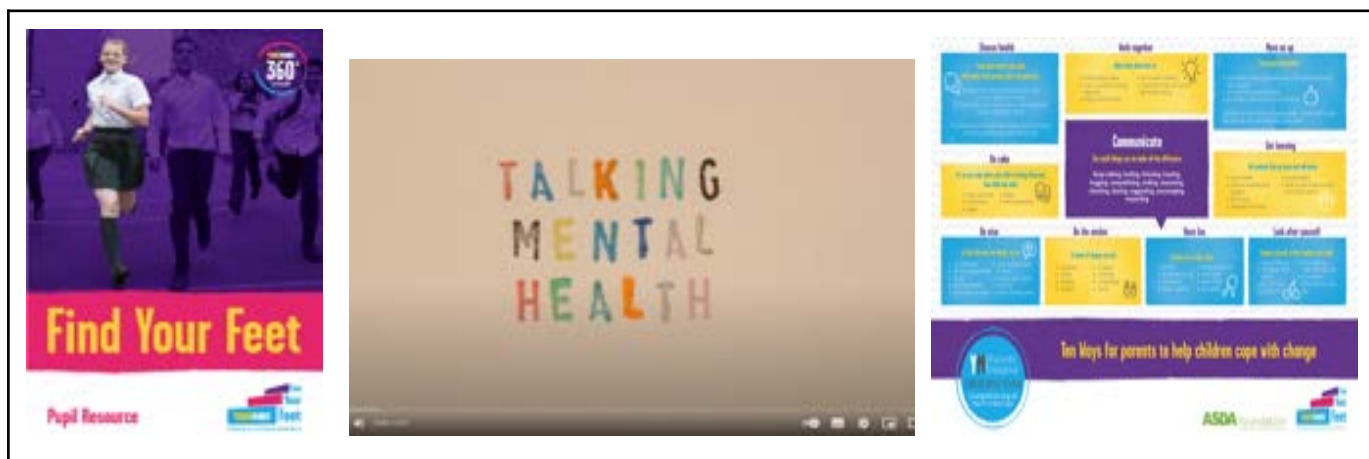
Transitions whether they are between Year Groups, Key Stages or Schools can be a stressful time for children as they get used to new routines, new adults, new friends and new surroundings. This is the case for all children, and for children with special educational needs the changes can be even more unsettling.

### As a parent or carer you can help!

Starting conversations with your child and finding out how they feel about the transition is a great start. **Asking** them what they are looking forward to, what they will miss about their old school and class. Thinking about what they **enjoy** doing and what they find difficult. These are all ways of helping your child get ready and make the best possible transition. Below are some different resources that you might like to use if you want further guidance on supporting your child.

If you have concerns about the changes coming please don't hesitate to get in touch with the school.

**Click on the image below to open a resource pack to help manage transitions.**



# May is... **Mental Health Awareness Week 2024**

Mental Health Awareness Week takes place from Monday 13 – Sunday 19 May 2024.



The theme, as set by the [Mental Health Foundation](#), is “**Movement: moving for our mental health.**” This year, we want you to move your way by finding something that moves your body and mind.

Being physically active is great for our bodies and our minds. Exercise has been proven to reduce anxiety and depression, and it can help us to prevent physical illnesses. Research shows that [56% of people found that exercising regularly helped](#) them to alleviate stress and prevent burnout in their lives.



Movement doesn't need to look like going to the gym, running a marathon or taking part in a team sport – and it doesn't need to cost the earth. It can be as simple as stepping off the bus a stop early, moving a 1-2-1 meeting to a walking call, giving your child a push on a park swing after school, or dancing in your kitchen while you cook dinner. To find out more, go to the [Mental Health UK website](#).

## Useful contacts:

- [Hull Local Offer](#). The Hull Local Offer website is where parents, carers, children and young people up to 25 with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) can find information, advice and guidance about support, services and activities that are available to those living in Hull.
- SENDIAS (Special Educational needs Independent Advice Service)  
Telephone: 01482 467 541                      Email: [hullsendiass@kids.org.uk](mailto:hullsendiass@kids.org.uk)



Please click on the QR code above for more information and to book your place.

## Hull SENDIAS deliver training for parents and carers within the Hull City Council Boundary.

SENDIAS summer term 2024 training offer includes:

- Welcome to Hull SENDIASS  
Monday 15th April 2024 at 930am, online
- Annual Reviews  
Thursday 16th May 2024 at 930am, at Kids
- SEN Support in School  
Tuesday 4th June 2024 at 930am, online
- Draft to Final EHC Plans  
Wednesday 19th June 2024 at 930am, at Kids

## Safeguarding and Child Protection

**This is our safeguarding team:**

Our Safeguarding & Child Protection Leader is currently **Mrs Brett**. Our Deputy Safeguarding & Child Protection Leaders are **Mr Kenningham, Mrs Williams and Ms Briggs**.

**What to do if you have a concern about a child:**

**During School Hours:**

- Contact the school and speak to either Mrs Brett or another member of the safeguarding team, via the main office on 01482 305740.
- Contact the Access and Assessment team for Hull on 01482 448879

**Out of school hours and during school holidays:**

- If your concern is urgent and there is an immediate risk of harm, then contact the police via 999

If your concern is less urgent but you are worried about the welfare of the child then contact the Early Help and Safeguarding Hub on 01482 448879 or the Emergency Duty Team 01482 300304 (After 5pm and weekends)



For more information, click on the link: [Worried about a child | Hull](#)

Please remember that if a child discloses anything that is worrying them, we may need to speak to parents and carers. This is part of our duty of care.

## Help for Families - a reminder

The cost of living crisis is having an impact on all families in our community. We would like to signpost some sources of support that may help.

Food Banks: [Hull Foodbank](#)      [Food Bank - Hull Vineyard Church](#)



## Meet the Governor- Tom Lumley

Tom Lumley has become a governor of the school recently, and is keen to develop the links between the school and the Church of England. In his main job he is the curriculum lead for a local teacher training organisation, is also the subject lead for mathematics, and works with the National Centre for the Excellence in Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM) in a variety of roles.



As a young boy growing up in rural County Durham, Tom dreamed of being a driver of a steam train, though he later realised that this was probably a bit too niche and his desire to help people led to a choice of being a teacher or joining the police. With both parents being primary head teachers, he opted to spend some time shadowing his local Police force and it was during this period, Tom felt that he would be better suited to teaching.

Tom completed his A levels in maths, further maths, physics and music and went on to attend St Andrews University to undertake a degree in economics. Following graduation Tom then enrolled on a PGCE course at Durham university which cemented his passion for teaching and where he really felt that teaching was a vocation.

Upon completion of his PGCE, Tom took up the post as teacher of maths at Bishop Barrington School in Bishop Auckland, where he later moved into a new role as second in department and school timetabler eventually becoming director of maths at Tudhoe Grange School in Spennymoor. Tom and his family relocated to East Riding of Yorkshire for personal reasons and Tom joined South Hunsley School in 2015, having spent the previous four years in a number of roles at Malet Lambert School in East Hull.

Tom is an avid musician and can play a variety of instruments and he participates in a number of extracurricular musical clubs at school, plays in church every week and his band performs at weddings and other social events. He was very pleased to be able to contribute to the music at St. John's Church, Newland during lockdown during the transition to Richard's leadership. When he isn't in school or church, Tom enjoys watching cricket and American football, playing board games and can often be seen walking his cocker spaniel Mickey around the Yorkshire Wolds and further afield, often following the course of old railway lines.

*Prayer (taken from our worship- Roots and Fruits)*

Lord Jesus Christ,

In your own life on earth, you took care to listen well to people, especially the people who no one else bothered with.

You were passionate about seeking justice for everyone.  
Give us wisdom when we need to make decisions.  
Help us not to jump to conclusions but to try to hear both sides, giving everyone a chance to speak.

And when we get it wrong, give us the humility and courage,

Amen

**Contact us: 01482 305740** or [hello@nsj.hslt.academy](mailto:hello@nsj.hslt.academy)