



HELME HEADLINES 16.01.2018



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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Welcome back!

I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and I am thrilled to be writing my first newsletter to you. I have seen some excellent work during my visits to classrooms this week; the atmosphere in school is welcoming and positive.

I am looking forward to meeting you all and with this in mind, I would like to invite parents and carers to a 'Meet the New Headteacher' coffee morning. On Tuesday 23rd January, please feel free to come into school after you have dropped your child off and have a coffee and a chat. While it will be lovely to see as many people as possible, I do appreciate that this time is not suitable for everyone and with that in mind, I will be available for you to speak with at the upcoming parents' evening in February. If there is something more pressing, please feel free to come into school and see me.

The next few training sessions with staff will be focused on improving the process of teaching writing. They will be led by a Kirklees advisor for English and we are looking forward to continuing the improvement in our standards.

On Monday we are holding our first family service of 2018 in church at 9.10 am. Please come and join us if you can.

Miss Beaumont in Class 2 has asked for any parent volunteers to help support reading in the classroom. You don't need to be a Class 2 parent, if you have some time we would appreciate your help.

Thank you for all your support and kind comments during my first week at Helme and I am looking forward to an exciting journey with you all.

AWARDS

Helme Values



- Class 1: Kandinsky:** Determination - Layla Whitfield for working really hard on her reading skills
- Class 2: Hockney:** Equality - Ellie Williams and Samuel Pickup for brilliant team work in Geography.
- Class 3: Monet:** Excellence - Zavier David for always putting in maximum effort to all he does. Well done.
- Class 4: Miro:** Respect - Tia Neary for being a super role model in many different ways.
- Class 5 O'Keefe:** Respect - Tom Barker for returning to school with a positive and respectful attitude.



Headteacher's Award

Class 1: Eloise Murphy for fantastic blending and segmenting.

Class 2: Gabriel Clarke for fantastic handwriting.

Class 3: Melissa Heaney for being kind and helpful in class throughout the week.

Class 4: Ellie Ratcliffe and Nathan Armitage for asking for help when they needed it, a really mature attitude to learning.

Class 5: Guy Breakey for never settling for less than his very best work.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday - Netball, Cross Stitch

Tuesday - Karate

Wednesday - Gymnastics

Thursday - Racquet sports, Forest School, Choir

Friday - BodyRockerz

Please note that clubs finish at 4.15pm with the exception of Karate which finishes at 4.30pm. Will parents please ensure that they arrive on time to pick up their children from after school clubs.

We expect your child to attend all sessions where possible as, although some clubs are not charged, the school still pays for professionals to run them. If your child is not able to attend a session, please inform the school office. Club registers are taken and we need to know if your child is not attending.

SCHOOL NEWS

Reception places for September 2018

If you have a child born between Sept 2013 and 31st Aug 2014 you need to apply for a school place online before 15th January. Please make sure you apply for 3 schools one of which should be your catchment area school. More details can be obtained from the school office or at www.kirklees.gov.uk/admissions.

Parents Evening - Advance Notice

Parents Evenings will be held in February on Monday 5th February 6-8pm and Wednesday 7th February 3.30 - 6pm, further details to follow.

FoHS NEWS

Happy New Year!

Thank you to everyone who supported the events run by Friends of Helme school in 2017, your valuable support enabled us to help school with funds to buy books, musical instruments and sporting equipment.

We have lots of exciting events planned for 2018 if you would like to be involved with Friends of Helme school our next meeting is 23rd January 7pm at school. Everyone is welcome.

COMMUNITY NEWS

FREE Adult Education!

Basic Numeracy and Literacy

Help with understanding the kid's homework

Qualifications in maths, English, IT, Business and other subjects

Arts and Crafts

Come to our drop-in open day at the Carlile.

Thursday January 25th

We are running 3 sessions, 2pm to 3pm, 5pm to 6pm and 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Come and see what we can offer you, and tell us what other things you might like to do.

Including guest stalls from Kirklees College, Crosland Moor Community Learning and Fusion Housing

Refreshments provided

For more information, please email melthamadultlearning@hotmail.com

Important Dates

- Monday 15th January Family service in Helme Church 9.10 am. All Welcome.

Best wishes

Melanie Garlick

Headteacher