



# HELME HEADLINES 08.06.2018



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## HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Welcome back. I hope everyone had a lovely half term. We have been straight back into a busy week here. On Monday staff had an inset day to develop their subject leadership role, thinking about progression within their subject and how to better develop the children's skills in subjects such as art and science. We have also benefitted from a Kirklees Maths Specialist coming into school this week. She came the same time last year and was looking at school's progress in maths teaching and learning. She was extremely pleased with the journey school has been on, developing the White Rose maths scheme and using the concrete, pictorial and abstract approach. She spoke to children about their maths learning, went into classrooms and looked at the children's books. She found the maths teaching in school to be engaging and all children are involved in their learning. This is fantastic news as staff and children have worked so hard. We have also invited Kirklees English specialist into school later in the term to look at English, including phonics. On Thursday a group of children attended a 'Fair and Funky' conference which included workshops on Fairtrade and today our swimmers had their timings taken in preparation for the Gala. This morning was our Big Sing, the children have worked so hard practising for this and they sounded wonderful - a big thank you to Mrs Whiteley for organising today and all the rehearsals.

It was great to meet new and current parents at our New Reception Starters meeting on Thursday and we look forward to starting their school adventure with them in September.

If any boys or girls in Y3 would like to join Honley Juniors Football Club training sessions on Saturday 16th June, June 23rd and June 30<sup>th</sup>, please contact Simon Jones or Brett Lodge (07815 577123). Both coaches are CRB accredited and qualified FA coaches. The sessions will take place at Honley Junior School and start at 9.30am until 11am.

There has been a lot of discussion and upset about the proposed Kirklees transport costs for children going to High School. This has real cost implications for our families. There are a group of Meltham parents (from all schools) who are petitioning the council about the charges as this affects a lot of our children. There is going to be another meeting organised by the local schools, including the high school and Councillor Charles Greaves, and we will inform you of the time and date. In the meantime there is a Facebook parents (Meltham Parents Together) group to join for more information and a petition to sign.

<https://www.thepetitionsite.com/408/250/664/stop-kirklees-charging-for-school-transport/>

The coming weeks are also jam packed, starting next week with Family Service led by Rev Dennis on Monday and Y1 taking part in the Phonics screening. Fingers crossed this weather stays.

Best wishes  
Melanie Garlick  
Headteacher

## AWARDS

### Helme Values



**Class 1: Kandinsky:** Respect - The whole class as other teachers noticed them being good role models in singing.

**Class 2: Hockney:** Inspiration - Renay Karrasch for fantastic ideas and contribution at Forest school.

**Class 3: Monet:** Excellence - Bella Bissolati for her excellent effort in writing.

**Class 4: Miro:** Friendship - Thalia and Anaiya Andrew. They always bring friendship and sunny smiles to the classroom

**Class 5 O'Keefe:** Friendship Charlie Castle for some fantastic peer editing.



### Headteacher's Award

**Class 1:** Joe Hunter for consistently using beautiful handwriting.

**Class 2:** The whole class for an excellent maths lesson.

**Class 3:** Jonas Casper for being determined to finish the Neily Races with only one shoe!

**Class 4:** Toby Fullwood for putting good effort into a number of sessions this week.

**Class 5:** Bailey Mallinson for excellent teamwork during Forest Schools

For the Neiley Races:

Aiden Thorpe, Jonas Casper, Zavier David, Toby Fullwood, Owen Whitcroft, Scarlett Castle, Bella Bissolati, Neve Rider, Libby Pace, William Simcox, Elijah Bridgstock, Zach Bissolati, Jack Crossley, Rosie Casper, Tilda Turner, Grace Bennett.

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please see below the clubs that will be on offer for the final summer half term.

Monday Paralympic Sports Club KS1  
Tuesday - Karate  
Wednesday - KS1 Ball Games  
Thursday - Parkour KS2, Choir, Forest School  
Friday - BodyRockerz

There are still spaces available on the Paralympic Club on Mondays, please call at the office for a form to sign up.

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

### Helme School "Big Sing"

Please join us Friday June 8th at 9.10am in church. Come and listen to the children sing and join in some of their songs.

### Forget Me Not Trust Children's Hospice

Tomorrow straight after the 'Big Sing' we will be undertaking the Forget Me Not Children's Hospice in their 'Around the World challenge'. Pupils were given a letter and a pack with further details before the half term holidays. Children will need their PE kit with them tomorrow Please sponsor your child and help support this fantastic cause.

### Internet Safety - Acceptable Use Policy

Earlier in the year Mrs Garlick sent home a letter together with an individual form regarding acceptable use of the internet. Parents were asked to speak to their children and sign and return the form to confirm that they had done so. We still have a number of forms missing for children which need to be retained in school. If your child's form has not been returned a new one will be sent home. Please sign and return the form as soon as possible. Thank you.

### KS2 visit to Eden Camp 5<sup>th</sup> July

Payment for the trip is now available on Parentpay, unfortunately if contributions are not received by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June the trip will have to be cancelled as the school cannot support the trip financially.

### Key Dates for Your Diary

Sharing Assemblies:

Class 5 - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018  
Class 4 - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018  
Class 3 - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018  
Class 2 - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018  
Class 1 - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018 (9.10am)

Big Sing: 8<sup>th</sup> June at 9.10am in church.  
Sports Day: 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018  
Summer Fair: 14<sup>th</sup> July 2018

## FoHS NEWS

### Freeze Pop Friday

Throughout this term if the weather is good we will be holding Freeze Pop Fridays, the first one will be this Friday. Children will be able to buy an ice pop for 20p at the end of the school day from the playground. Please bring exact change if possible.  
Money raised will go towards new equipment for school, initially repairing the PA system which broke at last year's summer fair. Thank you.

### Win books for school

A quick simple form to win £5,000 worth of books for school. Please enter and encourage your friends and family to enter too.

<https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

### Next meeting

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 7pm at The Bulls Head.

We will be finalising plans for the summer fair, please come if you can spare an hour.

### Bag2School

FoHS have organised a Bags2school collection for Thursday 14 June. Bags have been sent home with children BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS, please have a clear out and help raise funds for school. Thank you

### FoHS Lottery

Congratulations to this week's winner

Doing the FoHS lottery is an easy way to support the school, simply go to [yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://yourschoollottery.co.uk) and search for Helme School to set up an account.

You can also support us every time you shop online by registering with [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) and buying a name stamp from [stampstastic.co.uk](http://stampstastic.co.uk)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Funeral at Christchurch Helme Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June

We have been advised that there is a funeral on Friday 8 June and the burial is at Helme Church at 2.30pm. A large number of people are expected to attend and the car park will be full. Please make

arrangements to park if necessary on Helme Lane and walk to pick up children via the two available footpaths.

### **Musica Kirklees Songbirds**

Musica Kirklees Songbirds are holding open mornings on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> June at Holmfirth High School. Songbirds is all about exploring and making music with young children from toddlers to age 7.

### **Family Fun & Father's Day Entertainment at Holmfirth Arts Festival**

This year's Holmfirth Arts Festival will take place from 14 - 17 June and will feature a treasure trove of participatory and family events just waiting to be explored. Throughout the weekend of the festival there will be free street entertainment and theatre for all ages.