



WISE UP

20 September 2019

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Heads Up

Tuesday 24 September
Little Owls
Phonics Session
for Parents
8.45am

Key Dates

- **Special Mention Assembly**
Friday weekly at
2.30 pm

Thought of the Week

"Make each day your masterpiece"

John Wooden



Week Three already! I hope your children have settled well into their new classes and they're getting used to new routines and new learning.



Safeguarding: Being Safe Online

This week, children from Year One to Year Six had Online Safety sessions with Tim Pinto of *The E-Safety Office*. KS1 had a lesson with Billy the Puppet around informing parents about worries and concerns from the internet. Year Three/Four learned about *Dave's Dilemmas* around a boy who knows he's too young to use the apps and games he accesses, and about sharing inappropriate images. Year Five/Six focused on 'It Will Never Be Me' a look at how people can pull you in into sharing information and bullying others through the internet. Tim then worked with the staff team.

We were reminded that both YouTube and TikTok have an age limit of 13+ and that both of these sites/apps can be used to 'groom' children. The Resources tab on The E-Safety office site contains useful information on app safety, parental controls, screen time and You Tube.

<https://esafetyoffice.co.uk/resources/>

We know that a very high proportion of our children access YouTube, some from as early as Year One. YouTube Kids now exists to provide a safer forum for children and the BBC *OWN IT* app can be downloaded to offer thorough support and intervention as your child types, views and searches. We were reminded that one of the most effective tools for influencing your child's online behaviour is regular, calm conversations about what they are using and with whom they are 'sharing'.



Cross Country – The start of the Sporting Year!

On Thursday afternoon, thirty children from KS2 ran in the local schools Cross Country event at Selby High School. Categorized into age groups, the children ran a gruelling distance under hot sun. Thanks to Mrs Fogg and Mrs Anderson for taking them and to volunteers Emma Andrews, Jamie Morrison and Mrs Ellam for supporting them.

Website Updates – 2019 results

We are currently updating our website and full details of our results for 2019 can be found using the 'About Us' tab, then 'Attainment Data'. The results show a very positive picture for the school, particularly with regard to progress measured at the end of Year Six. Reading, Writing and Maths progress scores all exceed national figures and Reading and Writing data puts us in the top 25% of schools nationally for these areas. I'd like to thank all of the staff for the changes and improvements they have implemented in recent years and we continue to build on these successes to score even higher in the future!

Give Your Views – Ofsted Parent View

We will publish full details of our 2019 Parents Questionnaire on the website next week. Whilst the results are very positive, we were disappointed to receive a smaller number of responses than the previous year. We would be delighted if you could take a few minutes to give your views on your child's life at Hambleton School on the Ofsted Parent View site:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

There is also a link on the school website. Please continue to contact the teachers or myself in person if you have any queries or concerns at all about your child and our provision for them.

Flu Immunisation

Every child in school is being offered a flu vaccination through the North Yorkshire NHS Childhood Immunisations team. Letters were sent out to all pupils earlier in the week advising parents to apply online. If you did not receive the information via your child, then please call at the school office for a new letter. Electronic consent must be submitted by **Friday 18 October 2019**. We have been given a provisional date of Friday 22 November for the immunisations.

Change to School Dinner Menu – Hot Dog Thursday!

There is a change to the school lunch menu on Thursday 3 October. Mrs Pipes is preparing a special lunch of frankfurter hot dog, curly fries and jelly for pudding. We hope as many children as possible will try this special hot dinner.

Election of Parent Governor

All families will have received a letter earlier in the week in relation to the Election of a Parent Governor. Nomination forms are held in the school office. The closing date for nominations is Tuesday 1 October.

Friends of Hambleton School

Last Friday evenings Band Night was a huge success. A grand total of £1153 was raised. Thank you to all the parents who came along and supported the evening. A special thanks goes to Hambleton village hall trustees; Fiona Conor, Juvina Janik, Louise Fisher and Melissa Mountford.

FOHS dates for your diary:

Friday 18 October School Disco

Our dedicated PTA group are organising a disco for the children. This will take place on Friday 18 October and the times are as follows: 5.45 – 6.45pm for Little Owls, Elf Owls & Barn Owls and 6.45 – 8pm for Tawny Owls, Snowy Owls and Eagle Owls. The entrance fee to be paid on the night is £2.50 and this includes a drink and biscuit. A tuck shop will also be available where the children may purchase a few treats.

Any parent helpers would be very welcome, please let the school office know if you can help.

Christmas Popcorn and Movie

Friday 29 November at 3pm for Little Owls, Elf Owls and Barn Owls.

Friday 6 December at 3pm for Tawny Owls, Snowy Owls and Eagle Owls.

A Christmas movie will be played in the school hall and the children will all

receive a drink and popcorn. Cost will be £2.50. The end time will be confirmed closer to the event.

Scarecrow Festival

Friends of Hambleton School are helping with the Hambleton Scarecrow Festival taking place on the weekend of Saturday 28 & Sunday 29 September. In the Village Hall from 10.30am onwards there will be stalls, games, face painting and a free cinema for the children at 3.30pm. A BBQ and bar will be available from 3.30pm at the Red Lion on Saturday 28 September. On Sunday the three winners of the scarecrow competition will be announced during the 3.30pm Harvest Service at St Mary`s church.

Tombola Prizes urgently needed! Please place any donations for the tombola in the box provided by FOHS in the school entrance porch. Thank you.

Secondary School Applications

A letter was sent home to all Year6 parents last week regarding applying for a secondary school place. ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 31 OCTOBER 2019.