



WISE UP

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Heads Up

Our Wise Up newsletter is emailed home every two weeks on a Friday. Please look out for it as important information is communicated by this method. Please check your junk/clutter files if you do not receive it in your inbox.

Thought of the Week

'T.E.A.M – together everyone achieves more'



Welcome to our families old and new!

I hope that you and your families have enjoyed the break as much as possible and that your children have enjoyed returning to school. Despite the current circumstances it has been fantastic to get the children back into school and to take a further step towards normality. See below for our exciting start to the term; Class Newsletters with details of each year groups curriculum for this term will reach you today.

A provisional "What's Happening" list of school dates will be emailed out early next week to allow you to plan ahead, however we know that you will understand that the opportunities to come into school or watch performances will depend on the COVID circumstances at the time. Because of the increase in numbers of cases in the school and community, we will not be inviting parents/carers or senior citizens to attend in-school Harvest events this term. We hope very much to be able to invite you in later in the term to return to our Hambleton tradition of well-attended events!

Mr Williams

COVID Health & Safety

Parents and carers have been very quick to let us know when children have COVID symptoms, and to get the children and other family members PCR tested – thank you for supporting us with this. If a member of your household tests positive we strongly recommend that you also get your child/children PCR tested.

We understand that this goes beyond the national measures currently in place, but we hope that you will support us in keeping our children, staff and community as safe as possible. We are already seeing increased absence because of children infected with COVID and we want to keep as many children and staff in school as we can!

School This Week

See below for some of our lovely learning opportunities this week including provision-led learning in Elf Owls, Eagle Owls working with their new Little Owls buddies and our Topic launch time capsules!

Linked School Christian Value: **Teamwork**

'Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labour. If either of them falls down one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no-one to help them up'

Eccliaistes 4:9,10





Fundraising

At drop-off and pick-up you may have noticed how well the **Rainbow Reflection Area** is progressing; it is now regularly used by the children. Thank you to the many families who donated plants, furniture, funds and decorations.

We are now seeking to enhance this area with some small trees. **If you would like to donate a dwarf cherry tree (or contribute towards the cost) then please get it touch with the school office.**

Lunchtime 'Families' in KS2

Your child may have let you know that we have been trialling mixed-year group 'families' in KS2 in the lunch hall to support links across school and re-build our sense of whole-school community. We have seen very positive interactions and excitement around these groupings, however as the number of COVID cases in the school and community is growing, we have now decided that these groups will be put on hold. We will reintroduce them when it is safer to do so, and then on the basis that they take place on a small number of days per week – not every day.

Wise Owls

We are enjoying gradually reintroducing Wise Owls Worships with smaller numbers of classes together in the hall. Winners in the last two weeks were as follows:

Friday 10 September	Friday 17 September
Elf Owls: Harry	Elf Owls: Etta
Barn Owls: Maxwell	Barn Owls: Reggie
Tawny Owls: Miles	Tawny Owls: Eva
Hawk Owls: Poppy	Hawk Owls: Hanya
Snowy Owls: Ruby	Snowy Owls: James C
Eagle Owls: Whole Class!	Eagle Owls: Lily & Zach

Accelerated Reader (AR) Quiz Days

The children have been keen to quickly earn points for their first AR certificates. The children will be able to take AR quizzes on the following days:

- Monday – Yr2 (Barn Owls)***
- Tuesday – Yr3 (Tawny Owls)**
- Wednesday – Yr4 (Hawk Owls)**

Thursday – Yr5 (Snowy Owls)

Friday – Yr6 (Eagle Owls)

*Most Barn Owls children will begin to access AR books over this year. Mrs Harpham will communicate with you when this is introduced.

School Uniform

The children all look amazing in their pristine school uniform. Thank you for providing black shoes for outdoor use and black pumps for indoor use. **A reminder that all long hair should be tied back please, for safety and hygiene reasons.**

Water Bottles

All water bottles should be brought into school every day and should contain **WATER ONLY** please. Juice should not be sent to drink.

CoolMilk

School milk is available FREE for children under five and is subsidised for over fives. If you would like your child to receive milk please register at www.coolmilk.com Please bear in mind that from registration it can take a couple of weeks before milk is supplied to your child.

Healthy snacks

Please remember that ALL snacks for **ALL YEAR GROUPS** should be healthy and should ONLY consist of fresh fruit, vegetables or dried fruit. No yoghurt, cheese strings, crisps, waffles or chocolate etc...please. As part of the School Fruit & Vegetable Scheme, all pupils in Reception to Year 2 are provided with a piece of fruit/vegetable at breaktime. Please may we also remind you that **we are a nut free school.**

School Meals

A school meal costs £2.55 for all pupils from Year 3 to Year 6. Reception to Year 2 pupils receive a free meal under the Universal Infant Free School Meal. A reminder to parents of Year 3 children that lunches must now be paid for. All meals should also be paid for in advance using ParentPay. Thank you.

Packed Lunches

Thank you for sending in healthy packed lunches. If a yoghurt is provided then please remember to send in a spoon as school is unable to provide one. Chocolate bars and sweets should not be included.

Flu Vaccinations (Nasal Spray)

A letter regarding the flu vaccination was emailed home to all parents yesterday. Please look out for this and note that **all consents should be registered within one week**, therefore please register by Thursday 23 September. We expect these to take place in October but will confirm the date nearer the time.

FOHS Ice Cream Friday

Our amazing PTA group, known as Friends of Hambleton School (FOHS) are starting to fund raise for school once again. Watch this space for different activities/events taking place. Ice Cream Friday will begin next Friday (24 September). Further information will be emailed out at the beginning of next week about this and how to pay. As always, these much needed funds help every child in our school.

Contact Details

Please may we ask that all parents update the office with any change of contact details to assist us in keeping our school records up to date.



Our Christian Vision

We are:

Creative

Resilient

Truthful

Compassionate

Respectful

Teamwork