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Message from Mrs Loten: What a fantastic start to the new academic year. It was lovely to see all the children back at the beginning of the year. During the school holidays we had our offices redesigned to make them more in keeping with the large school that we are today. Year 6 have already been on a very successful PGL trip which was enjoyed by both the staff and pupils. Many of them took on new challenges and became more confident individuals. We have introduced the core values of independence, respect, resilience, creativity, kindness and tolerance. School councillors have been chosen for each class in our school elections as well as a head boy and a head girl.

Dates for your Díary	Year 6: What a fantastic start to Year 6 we have had! The children thoroughly enjoyed challenging and pushing themselves to try new, exciting things on our residential trip to PGL at the start of this Term.		
Monday 2nd October—Parents' Evening Tuesday 3rd October—Parents' Evening Thursday 19th October— Halloween Disco Monday 30th October—Friday 3rd November—Half Term	The children's behaviour was impeccable and we are proud of the kindness they showed towards each other and staff. In Maths and Writing we have been looking at place value and the children are starting to write their own warning story based on our book for this term ' The Midnight Guardians' by Ross Montgomery. The children are enjoying immersing themselves in WW2 in History and developing their sketching skills, inspired by Banksy, in our Art lessons.		

Foundation Stage:

What a super start to the brand new school year, the children both in FS1 and FS2 have settled in really well. In FS1 we kicked off the term with a masquerade fashion show with all of the lovely masks made at home, these celebrated our favourite nursery rhymes. We have enjoyed digging up the potatoes that the children planted in the summer Term, it has been great to see how the children have used these potatoes at home making chips, printing, mashed potato and crafted characters. We have been singing lots of traditional nursery rhymes during Maths and acting these out.

In FS2 we have been learning lots of nursery rhymes and have enjoyed drawing story maps for these. The children have enjoyed exploring both indoors and outdoors. In the creative area the children have drawn their very own self portraits which are now up on display. We have loved learning about spiders, where wool comes from and different religions around the world.

Year 5:

From all the teachers in Year 5, we want to start off by saying a big well done to all the children for settling in so beautifully. We have had a busy start to the year, beginning with our book launch day. During the afternoon, we spent time painting the front cover of our book and learning about the main characters. In Writing, we have been writing a warning tale, focussing on using expanded dialogue, description and relative clauses. In Maths, we have been looking at place value, exploring the hundred thousands and recapping all our place value knowledge. We have started our History topic, looking at how the fishing industry had a big impact on Hull and why fishing was so important to Hull. In Spelling, we have looked at the ci and ti (sh) sound, learning to spell words like fictitious, ambitious, conscious and delicious. Computing has been a real hit among the Year 5s as we have started making our own blogs. These are filled with useful facts and the children have coded them to make them interactive. Finally, in Science, we have been exploring the different lifecycles of animals, plants and humans. We have also began to look at the different gestation periods of different animals.

Year 3:

We have a busy start to life in Key Stage Two. Year 3 maths has begun with a focus on place value, extending our knowledge to numbers up to 1000. Next, we will apply this knowledge to addition and subtraction.

In English we have used a book called Stone Age Boy to inspire our writing of journey stories. We have focussed on this text in our reading lessons too, utilising our class set of books. We are all working hard to improve our reading aloud. Well done to all who are using Boom Reader regularly– we can see the impact of additional practise on the children who read at home daily.

The children are loving our History focus on the Stone Age to the Iron Age.

Year 4:

We have had an extremely busy start to the school year. In writing, we have focussed on setting description through a Conquering the Monster Tale. This has been linked to our new core text 'Harley Hitch'. We thoroughly enjoyed our book launch day where we entered the local woods that had been transformed into the Iron Forest! In Maths, we have been representing 4digit numbers in different ways using base ten and place value counters to identify the place value. In music, the children have started their violin lessons with Mr Rhodes, learning how to correctly hold the violin. We have also been discussing pulse and rhythm. In PE, we have started gymnastics where the children have been creating sequences on a mat using different ways of travelling. We hope to transfer this onto apparatus soon!

Year 1:

We have had a fantastic start to our year in Year 1. Everyone really enjoyed our book launch, all of the children looked amazing dressed as either a mouse or a lion. We have been doing some great writing based around the book 'The Lion Inside' including using adjectives to describe the lion and the mouse.

In our Maths lessons we have been using numbers to 10. We have been working out missing numbers and also ordering numbers. We have been working out 1 less and 1 more than a given number.

We have had a great start to our PE lessons and the children have been very excited to start them. We have been thinking about different ways that we can move.

In our Science lessons, we have started talking about different animals. We have looked at their different features and classified them.



Year 2:

We have had a wonderful start to Year 2. The children really enjoyed becoming detectives during our book launch day and deciphering clues about each fairy tale. In writing, we have been focussing on openings and have written our own version of the Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig. During Maths, we have developed our understanding of place value, focusing on partitioning, ordering and comparing numbers. In our History lessons we have learnt about the Great Fire of London, looking at when it happened and how. We are developing our understanding of why materials are used for particular jobs during our Science lessons. In PE, we have being learning about how to balance in different ways during gymnastics and are beginning to use apparatus next week.

Whole School Attendance: Target attendance is above 97%.

Our whole school attendance to-date for this year is 95%. Individual classes are as follows:

FS2R— 97.8%	FS2G— 95.9%	FS2M— 94.9%	YR1C- 95.4%	YR1C- 95.4%	YR1T— 94.7%
YR2S/M — 97.7%	YR2D— 94.7%	YR2M— 92.7%	YR3B— 94.9%	YR3Q— 94.0%	YR3S— 96.6%
YR4B— 92.5%	YR4P— 95.8%	YR4M— 96.6%	YR5C— 97.7%	YR5C— 97.7%	YR5R— 95.1%
YR6R— 95.7%	YR6HB— 88.7%	YR6W— 96.5%			