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**A message  
from Mrs  
Loten**

Another busy half term in school with lots happening. The children returned after their Christmas break full of enthusiasm which was lovely to see. Talking Lunch has continued where six children from each class come and have lunch with the headteacher and share ideas about how to improve school and their own hobbies and interests, it is always a very special event. Staff that have worked for the Trust for 10 years or more at the end of the Autumn Term were presented with a card and a badge. A big thank you to all these staff members who impact on children's lives every day.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is becoming a regular part of children's online experiences. From chatbots and homework apps, to creative tools, AI can offer exciting opportunities for learning and play. But it also brings risks, especially when children aren't sure what's real, who they're talking to, or how AI works. Many parents and carers feel unsure about how to explain AI to children. The NSPCC website offers useful, easy to read practical advice to help families talk about AI in ways that build understanding, encourage curiosity, and keep children safe. Please scan the QR code below for more information.



**A message  
from  
Safeguarding**

RESILIENCE

TOLERANCE

RESPECT

CREATIVITY

INDEPENDENCE

KINDNESS

**Dates for  
your  
diary**

- **2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> February – Parents Workshops -Art**
- **12<sup>th</sup> February - Valentines Disco**
- **16<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term**
- **23<sup>rd</sup> February – Children return**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Parents' Evening**

## Year 6

Our Year 6 pupils have worked incredibly hard this term. Their creative writing, inspired by *Kensuke's Kingdom*, has been wonderfully imaginative. In PE, they have explored Samba, Charleston and Line dance to create their own unique group dances. In our Art lessons, children have developed perspective skills with vanishing points and are excited to share their final pieces with you. They continue to show maturity by completing homework on time, and we are extremely proud of their effort and enthusiasm.

CONGRATULATIONS  
To

**YELLOW**

HOUSE CUP  
WINNERS!

## Year 3

Year 3 have had a fantastic half term and should be incredibly proud of all they have achieved. In Maths, the children have worked hard to master multiplying two-digit numbers by one-digit numbers and are now confidently moving on to exploring length and perimeter. In Writing, they have been inspired by the short film '*Taking Flight*', using it as a rich stimulus to develop their ideas and creativity. Our History lessons have taken us back through the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages, where the class investigated how early humans lived and used the land to survive. In Science, the children have enjoyed examining different types of rock and exploring their properties. We have also begun learning Salsa in PE, which has been wonderful to watch as the children grow in confidence, rhythm and enthusiasm. Overall, it has been a brilliant half term full of curiosity, hard work and energy!

## Year 2

Year 2 have been working hard since returning from the Christmas holiday. They have been learning all about money in Maths; making amounts, comparing amounts and finding change. We have also started our multiplication and division topic. We will be learning our 2, 5 and 10 times tables. In Writing, we have been thinking about wishes and writing instructions on how to grant them. The children have grasped our new phonics sounds /v/ and /oo/ brilliantly, making fantastic progress through the weekly spelling quizzes. In PE, we have been enjoying sessions with Kai from Hull FC, and dancing to the Bear Necessities. In Art, the children have enjoyed mixing colours and learning about Paul Klee; we look forward to welcoming you all to the art workshop in class! Well done to the children for all of their hard work this half term!

## Nursery & FS2

FS1 have loved exploring 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears', especially singing along to the Debbie and Friends version on YouTube. The children explored porridge in the tuff trays, discussing textures and sizes (big, medium and small), built beds and chairs, and acted out the story through role play indoors and outdoors. They have also enjoyed bear stories and are very excited for the upcoming Teddy Bears' Picnic.

FS2 have been exploring 'The Three Little Pigs', creating story maps, acting out the story and learning about different building materials. Role play has been extended into a construction area, and children have enjoyed a 'Three Little Pigs' tuff tray and making characters using toilet rolls. They also worked together to build a large house using junk modelling.

Year 5 has started the new term with excitement about all the new learning that was awaiting us. All three classes have taken a trip to the East Riding Museum of Archaeology, where the children learnt about the Anglo-Saxon way of life. In Maths we have started out multiplication and division unit, where the children have learnt short division and to multiply by a two-digit number. They have use manipulatives to represent their working out and to deepen their mathematical understanding. In Writing, the children have created a setting description based on Abi Elphinstone's 'Rumblestar', which we have posted to the author herself, and they are eagerly awaiting a response. In PE, our dance and tennis units have begun and In Science the children are learning about the moon, sun and earth's place in our solar system.

## Year 5

## Year 4

We have had a fantastic half term in Year 4! In History, we are learning about the Romans and even became soldiers for the day when the Roman soldier came to visit! We have had lots of fun learning about their empire, the different Gods and Goddesses they believed in, and their way of life. In Science, we have looked at all the appliances we use daily that need electricity to function. In groups, we have put together simple circuits using a battery, wires, a lamp and a switch! We then decided which circuits would light up based on what we had learned. We hope you have a fantastic half term!

## Whole school Attendance

Target attendance is above 97%.

Our whole school attendance to-date for this year is 95.1%. Individual classes are as follows:

FS2D – 89.3%	YR2C – 96.2%	YR4SB – 96.4%	YR6BR – 95.2%
FS2R – 93.7%	YR2H – 96.8%	YR4P – 97.1%	YR6H-B – 96.2%
FS2G – 95.2%	YR2EM – 96.7%	YR4RB – 94.5%	YR6M – 96.5%
YR1J – 96%	YR3B – 97.6%	YR5A – 94.8%	THouse – 87%
YR1D – 95.9%	YR3S – 94.4%	YR5ER – 97.1%	
YR1T – 94.5%	YR3P – 96.9%	YR5M – 95.5%	

Well done on a really good start to this half term, our attendance figures are slowly rising again.

Congratulations to the children who attended school 100% for the first three weeks of school and won the Love2Shop vouchers. Lets see who will win the next challenge... Good luck!

## A message from Attendance

## Year 1

We have had another amazing half term in Year 1!

In our Writing lessons, we have been writing about the 'Little boat'. The video was about a boat on a journey. During the journey the boat began to break but then different animals helped to fix it. We loved watching the video and writing about it. In Writing, we have also written instructions on how to make a bookmark. We made bookmarks in Design and Technology last half term, so we used our own experience to write the instructions.

We have started looking at numbers to 20 in our Maths lessons. We have been working on ordering numbers to 20 and comparing numbers using the greater than and less than symbols.

During our Science lessons, we have been learning about materials. We have identified different materials and talked about their properties. In one of our lessons, we went on a material hunt around our classroom.

Kingswood Parks is still home for one of the longest serving Karate clubs in Hull. Tokui Karate club trains every Monday night, 6.30pm - 8pm. The club is run by one of the countries most experienced instructors, Sensei Mike Sutcliff (9th Dan). Classes are open to all members of the community, allowing parents to train alongside their children. 1st class is free to everyone who wants to try Karate, no experience needed. Please see Mr. Furley for more details.



We look forward to seeing our Year 5 children and parents at the PGL information night on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February. We can't wait to show you all about the activities for the residential! See you at 5pm!

