

Cumberworth First School

Newsletter

October 2016



Family Group Healthy Day

This year our Harvest Appeal is once again supporting projects in Mara, Tanzania through our Diocesan links. We are having a Family Group Healthy Day on Thursday 20th October and children will be asked to put a donation into 'Phil' our goat - see the school entrance display if you are confused! Please drop any loose change into Phil as you pass him over the next couple of weeks. Children need to come to school in 'sporty clothes' with suitable footwear for a very active day.

Working together we can make a difference and help to provide a better life for the children of Mara.

On Family Group Days the children are split into 5 groups with children from all years in each group. Siblings will be in the same group as each other. They will rotate around the five different activities as a group throughout the day, with the older children supporting the younger children as necessary.



Having fun in Sunshine Club!

Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service will be in St Nicholas' Church on Friday 21st October at 2:15pm and we hope you can join us. All the classes will be taking part and it is always good to see the church full for our services. After the service Helping Hands will be having a cake stall in school. We'd be very grateful for donations for the stall - home-made or shop bought. Goodies for the stall should either be sent in first thing on Friday 21st or brought in to school by lunchtime please.

Dates for your Diary

Fr 14 October

9:15 Stars Assembly -
All welcome

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Fri 14 October

18:30 - 20:30 Autumn
Disco in school

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Mon 17 October

15:30 final Football Club
until spring

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Wed 19 October

13:00 Yr 2 Multiskills at
Shelley College

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Thurs 20 October

Family Group Healthy Day
in aid of Mara, Tanzania

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Fri 21 October

NO stars assembly

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Fri 21 October

2:15 Harvest Service in
St Nicholas' Church - all
welcome. Followed by
Helping Hands Cake Stall
in the gym at school

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Fri 21 October

15:30 Break Up

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Mon 31 October

INSET Day - school
closed to children

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Tues 1 November

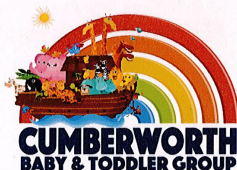
8:50 School re-opens to
children

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Fri 4 Nov

9:15 Stars Assembly -
All welcome

Please don't forget, we are a 'nut free' school!

Please keep this in mind if you send any food in to school whether it be a packed lunch, a snack or a class treat.



We are a voluntary run, **welcoming and friendly** Baby and Toddler group aimed at 0-5s in the local and surrounding area.

Open to parents, grandparents, childminders and carers.

Activities on offer include an instructed **art & craft**, **playdough**, **colouring**, **toys**, **instruments**, **games**, **books**, **song time** and **story**.

Healthy fruit snacks and water provided for the children.

Tea and coffee for the adults.

When? 3rd Thursday of the month

Where? St Nicholas's Church, Cumberworth

What time? 2-3.30pm

Cost? £1 per child 50p each additional child with same adult
(Fee helps to pay for snacks, resources, toys and special events)

Group contact **Charlotte DeRenzy Jones**

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Like the 'Cumberworth Baby and Toddler Group' Facebook page and keep regularly updated on group events and information!

Helping Hands

Forthcoming Helping Hands events:

Friday 14th October: 18:30 - 20:30
Autumn Disco in school. Tickets £3 per child, adults free. Please make payment through ParentPay - just change the default amount to reflect the amount due for the number of tickets you want. Tickets will be sent home in book bags so please make sure all payments are made by Thursday. Thank you.

Friday 21st October: Cake Stall in the gym after the Harvest Service. Donations of cakes, buns etc to sell and offers to help on the day would be much appreciated.

Friday 11th November: Beaumont Recycling Collection. Bags will be sent home as soon as we get them. Please ask if you need more.

Saturday 3rd December: 10 - 12
Christmas Fayre in school

Saturday 18th March 2017:
Glitz and Glam Ball 7pm at The Huntsman Inn, Holmfirth
3 course meal and the fantastic live band Decoy to get you up and dancing. Get your glad rags on and join us for a fantastic night out. Invitations to follow shortly.

Our School Council



Dinner money

Dinner money is £2.05 per day for children in KS2, and is payable through ParentPay. Please make payment in advance and try to ensure your account remains in credit. Thank you.

Applications to School Admissions

All applications for a place at school, whether it be for Reception, Middle or Junior School for next September must now be made online.

**Please don't miss the deadline of
15th January 2017.
www.kirklees.gov.uk/admissions**

St Nicholas' Church

Please note the date of forthcoming
Family Services:

20th November 11am

11th December 11am

School Uniform Suppliers

We'd like to advise you that a Skelmanthorpe company are now supplying our embroidered uniform in addition to Tesco.

For further information please go to
www.topclassschoolwear.co.uk

Open Afternoon

What a fantastic turnout there was for our recent Open Afternoon!

Our visitors enjoyed going into all the classrooms and the hall seeing what the children were working on. They also joined some of Class Hedgehog outside.

Before going home our guests were treated to a short presentation about KS2 creative curriculum by some of the children in the gym.

We received lots of very kind and positive feedback from our visitors and are delighted that they enjoyed their visit.

Sporting Activities

There have been several sporting events already this term. There have been Cross Country events for Yrs 2, 3, 4 and 5. Victoria Hodgson was invited to take part in the School Games Finals following her success in the Yr 5 event. Congratulations Victoria. Plus our Yr 3 were the overall winners in their year group - well done to them!

Our girls' football team has participated in an inter-schools competition where they played with determination and showed good team spirit. Children in Yr 2 & 3 have been receiving weekly rugby coaching under the Sky Try Programme.



Sky Try
Rugby
Coaching.





Shoebox Appeal

We are once again
supporting the Operation
Christmas Child shoebox appeal.
Leaflets to follow shortly.

Term Time Holidays

Time off school for family holidays is not a right, but schools have discretion to allow absences in exceptional circumstances.

In line with our school policy, all requests from parents for holiday absence must be made in writing to the school in advance, at least two weeks prior to the holiday being booked. The request should be sent for the attention of the head teacher and outline the specific reasons why the request meets the requirements of "exceptional circumstances".

The school will not authorise holidays, which are requested for the following reasons:

- Availability of cheap holidays;
- Availability of the desired accommodation;
- Poor weather experienced in school holiday periods; and
- Overlap with beginning of term.

The head teacher will determine if the request is reasonable. Unless there are exceptional circumstances the school will not approve any term time holiday:

- For any student in full time education (years Reception - Yr 5) where current attendance is less than 95%.
- At the beginning of any term.

Recent letters:

9 September

ParentPay log-in details - Pupils new to Cumberworth

13 September

Overview of Homework - All

13 September

Flu Vaccination - Yrs 1, 2 & 3

20 September

Vision Screening - Reception

23 September

Curriculum Information - All

28 September

Autumn Disco Flyer - All

30 September

Open Evening at Scissett Middle School - Yr 5



Upholding Christian values, together we **ENJOY** our learning, **ENRICH** our lives and **EXCEL** by making the most of our talents and gifts.