



Friday 11 September 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Welcome**

I would like to welcome you back for a brand new school year at Addingham. I hope you had a fantastic summer. I have certainly enjoyed listening to the children share their holiday experiences. A special welcome to our new Reception Class and their families I have enjoyed getting to know our 'new recruits' this week!

### **Building Work**

Over the summer we have had a full electrical rewire of the entire building as well as new internal ceilings and LED light fittings installed. We are delighted with the results as they have really brightened up the classrooms and corridors. A huge thank you goes to Mr Middleton and his team of cleaners for working around the clock to ensure that school was sparkling for the start of term.

### **Meet the Teacher**

We have planned a very exciting year for the children and on Monday evening you will be given the opportunity to come into school to listen to a presentation from each class teacher about the year ahead. Here you will receive a class newsletter with lots of information and ideas so that you can be involved and provide valuable support. The evening starts at 5.30pm with a short presentation from each teacher.

Please check our website regularly for additional information and check book bags for any letters and to read children's planners and homework.

### **School Uniform – Happy Teachers!**

The children all looked really smart on Monday in their new uniform and shoes. Please can parents ensure that their uniform is clearly labelled with their full name and that they have proper outdoor shoes as well as trainers for PE. In this way there will be no need for 'lost property' as I can assure you that all items of named clothing will make their way back to their owner. Remember that nail varnish for children is not part of the school uniform and must be removed before coming to school, headbands should be small and in keeping with the school uniform colours and that trainers should only be worn for PE. If your child has their ears pierced then small studs are allowed to be worn but must be covered up or removed for PE and so please take this into consideration.

### **Foreign Languages – Mr Clark** **Language of the Term**

We are very proud that some of our children have the opportunity to speak different languages outside of school. This year we are having a 'Language of the Term'. We have changed from half-termly to termly to enable greater exploration of the chosen language. Each term there will be a different language which children will be able to access. This will be done through small class discussion where children may learn how to count in that language and basic greetings. Many class teachers call the register in the specific language! The languages we are going to focus on are Italian, Dutch and Japanese.

There are many reasons for the children to participate in this, including giving bilingual children the opportunity to demonstrate the language skills they bring to school, to broaden the horizons of monolingual English-speakers and to show respect for other languages and cultures.

If parents are familiar with a particular language and would like to share their skills please get in touch.

### **eTwinning**

Last year we started work on an international project where we linked with schools across the local valley as well as in Europe. As a school, we were awarded the 'International Schools Award' for this project. To extend this further and allow more children further opportunities for international work, Mrs Cheater and Mrs Green have been able to set up a link school in France. This will enable children to use their language lesson to write to other children giving their learning a real purpose.

### **Eco Newsletter**

The Eco Committee will continue their work this year. It is our aim to work towards achieving the bronze award from Eco Schools. Our focus will be on reducing waste and saving energy across the whole school. The Eco Committee will play an important role in organising a range of events across the school, for example, Waste Week, Recycle Week and Switch Off Fortnight.

### **Stars of the Week**

Year 1: Brynley W, Angus F  
Year 2: Conor G, Thomas N  
Year 3: Jack H, Penny Y  
Year 4: Liam T, Charlie L  
Year 5: Sebastian S-C, Megan P  
Year 6: Esme R, Will C, Lewis H-W

### **Gold Award**

These are the children who have reached gold in their classroom this week: Charlie M, Harvey L, Millie E, Thomas N, Hermione H-L, Harry M, Freddie S, Mathilda T, Isaac A

### **Clean Classroom**

Years 2 and 5

### **Attendance**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Presents</b>
Reception	100.0
Year 1	97.7
Year 2	97.9
Year 3	98.2
Year 4	97.1
Year 5	99.3
Year 6	100.0

Congratulations to all our winners – a super start to our new year.

## Key Dates For The Year

A few important dates for your diary. Please check the school website for updates too.

Month	Date and Time	Event	Classes Involved
September	14 at 17:30	Parent Information Evening	Year 1 to 6
	14 at 18:30	Ingleborough Hall Parents' Meeting	Year 6
	18 at 19:00	FAPS Social Evening	Reception to Year 6
	29 at 09:00	Individual School Photographs	Reception to Year 6
October	02	Dental Nurse	Reception
	06	Visit to Cliffe Castle	Year 4
	09 at 09:10	Class Assembly	Year 5
	15 at 15:30	FAPS Disco	Reception, Year 1 and 2
	15 at 17:30	FAPS Disco	Year 3 to 6
	23 at 15:30	Music for Schools Assembly	Year 3 to 6 (parents of children interested in learning a wood wind instrument)
November	10 from 17:30	Parents' Evening (late appointments)	Reception to Year 6
	12 from 16:00	Parents' Evening (early appointments)	Reception to Year 6
	20 at 09:10	Class Assembly	Year 4
December	01 at 09:00	Puberty Talk	Year 6
	07 to 11	Ingleborough Hall Residential	Year 6
	07 at 14:00	Nativity Performance	Reception to Year 2
	09 at 14:00	Nativity Performance	Reception to Year 2
	11 at 19:00	FAPS Christmas Party Night	Reception to Year 6
	14 at 09:00	What's the Story of Christmas? Visit	Year 1 to 2
January	13 at 14:00 (to be confirmed)	Learn to Rock Winter Sparkle Concert	Years 3 to 6
	14 at 15:30	FAPS Disco	Reception, Year 1 and 2
	14 at 17:30	FAPS Disco	Year 3 to 6
	18 to 20	Life Bus	Reception to Year 6
	20 at 14:30 (to be confirmed)	Learn to Rock Winter Sparkle Concert	Reception to Year 2
	29 at 09:10	Class Assembly	Year 6
February	12 at 09:10	Class Assembly	Year 3
	22 weekly to Easter	Swimming Lessons	Year 5
	29 to 04/03	World Book Week	Reception to Year 6
March	04 at 09:10	Class Assembly	Year 2
	04 at 19:00	FAPS Quiz and Curry Night	Reception to Year 6
	10 at 15:30	FAPS Disco	Reception, Year 1 and 2
	10 at 17:30	FAPS Disco	Year 3 to 6
	15 at 17:30	Parents' Evening (late appointments)	Reception to Year 6

	17 at 16:00	Parents' Evening (early appointments)	Reception to Year 6
	21 at 09:00 (to be confirmed)	What's the Story of Easter? Visit	Year 3 to 4
April	22 at 09:10	Class Assembly	Year 1
May	09 to 12	National Curriculum Tests	Year 6
	13 at 09:10	Class Assembly	Reception
	23 to 27	Sports Week	Reception to Year 6
	24 at 13:00	Sports Day	Reception to Year 6
	24 at 15:30	FAPS Sports Day BBQ	Reception to Year 6
	26 at 13:00	Back up Sports Day	Reception to Year 6
	26 at 15:30	Back up FAPS Sports Day BBQ	Reception to Year 6
June	09 at 09:00	Class Photographs	Reception to Year 6
	13 to 17	Phonics Check	Year 1
	15 at 14:00	Learn to Rock Concert	Year 3 to 6
	20 to 22	Bikeability	Year 6
	22 at 14:30	Learn to Rock Concert	Reception to Year 2
	30 at 15:30	FAPS Disco	Reception, Year 1 and 2
	30 at 17:30	FAPS Disco	Year 3 to 6
July	07 at 17:00	Celebration Evening	Reception to Year 6
	12 all day	House Point Treat Day	Reception to Year 6
	19 at 18:30	Production	Year 3 to 6
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	21 at 14:30	Leavers Assembly	Year 6

### **FAPS**

Come and join us on the 18.09.15 at 7.30pm for drinks and nibbles and learn about FAPS and what we do for the children of Addingham Primary.

You're under no pressure to join FAPS but any help you can offer during the year will be greatly appreciated.

I am looking forward to another successful year together.

Best Wishes,

Miss Hilary Cave

Headteacher