



# BROUGH PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

## HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Welcome to our October newsletter. We do hope that you are all well and that your children are now fully settled in their new classes.

It was lovely to see so many of our Y5 and Y6 parents last week for our High Adventure and SATs meeting. I do hope that we put your minds at rest about the SATs tests that the Y6 pupils undertake in May. Just a reminder to order any revision guides as soon as possible. If you are unsure about these, please get in touch with the Y5/6 staff who will be more than happy to support you.

We also hope that we addressed any questions you had about our High Adventure trip planned for June. If your child hasn't been signed up to go and you now want them to, please get in touch - there is still time to book a place. For parents with children in Reception and Y1/2, we look forward to meeting with you on Thursday evening to talk about phonics and early reading. We do hope that you can join us from 6pm in the school hall.

Finally, I would like to say an enormous thank you to the three parents who came in to talk to our Y5/6 pupils last week about their jobs and career paths. We had four different employment sectors represented and the children had an incredibly interesting afternoon learning about the different jobs, the qualifications needed and the career paths taken. There were some super questions and it was a hugely successful afternoon. We are hoping to run another afternoon later in the year so please do get in touch if you would be willing to come in and talk to the children about your job.

Thank you for your continued support for our school. If you have any questions or worries, please do get in touch.  
Mrs Shepherdson

## PARENT GOVERNOR

We are currently looking for a parent governor to join our school governing body.

The role of the governor is essential in supporting the school, always with a focus on the children and their experiences in school. If you are interested in the role, a letter with nomination information and key dates went out on Friday, with a closing date of this Friday (13<sup>th</sup> October).

If you want to know a little more about the role, please get in touch.  
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## CHILDREN IN NEED

As you know, we think it is really important to take part in Children in Need each year, linking what we do in school with the national activities and focus.

This year, the theme is 'Be SPOTacular' so we are asking that children come to school dressed in spotty clothing for a £1 donation.

This money goes to supporting Children in Need as does the sale of Children in Need themed merchandise which we will be selling in the lead up to the big day.

The school council are organising this and will be in touch soon with further information.



The children always love dressing up for Children In Need and wearing their Pudsey ears. Here are some of last year's Year 1/2 children proudly sporting their spots!



## FOBS FAMILY FUN DAY

We held our FOBS 'Family Fun Day' a few weeks ago, which was a huge success. It was wonderful to see so many families there, with many children who currently attend our school as well as many who have left us.

Thank you to the FOBS members who worked so hard to make the day possible. We raised over £1300 which goes to directly supporting the school. Thank you so much.



## FOBS AGM

FOBS are holding their AGM this week (Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October), 5pm, at the school. If anyone is interested in joining FOBS and helping to raise money to support the school, please do come along.

Even if you just want to find out a little more before committing to joining, you are more than welcome.

## SAFEGUARDING

One of the most things we do in school is keep the children safe. This includes physical safety, such as keeping the site secure and safe, as well as creating an environment where the children are able to learn, in a calm and 'safe' environment.

We are holding an information session about safeguarding in early December. This will explain to parents how we keep the school safe, including the processes and policies we follow.

The session will look at health and safety, site security, child protection, attendance at school, behaviour processes and will endeavour to answer any questions you may have on how we keep the children safe, and able to learn, in our school.

The session will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm.

## CAREERS EDUCATION AT BROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Last Friday, we held our first careers afternoon for our Y5 and Y6 pupils. This was a huge success and thoroughly enjoyed by the children. We had three parents come in to talk to the children as well as a representative from PBS construction (who are building the roundabout off the A63), about their jobs, how they got into their current role and what they do on a day to day basis. The children asked some super questions and found out a little more about some of the jobs that are out there.

We hope to run this again, later in the year, so if any parents would like to volunteer for this, please do get in touch.

I would like to say an enormous thank you to the parents who came in last week, for giving up their time to come and talk to the children, you were inspirational, and I know how much the children got out of your visit. Thank you.





## Schoolgateway

Have you downloaded the new School Gateway app? This is how we contact you and also how you sign up to clubs and pay for trips. Please download now.

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## STAFF LEAVER

As you may know Mrs Smith, who is one of our wonderful kitchen assistants, is leaving us at half term. Mrs Smith has worked at the school for over 30 years and has seen so many children pass through the canteen.

Mrs Smith has made the decision to retire and we wish her happiness and success in whatever she does next. Thank you for all your hard work and care over the past 30+ years – from all the staff, pupils (past and present) and parents of Brough Primary School.



## MRS ARMSTRONG'S GARDENING CLUB

Mrs Armstrong, one of our lunchtime supervisors, runs a gardening club on a Friday afternoon. During this session, children are selected to help out and spend time with Mrs Armstrong in the wildlife area helping to maintain the space.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Armstrong for her work in maintaining the wildlife area and many of the flower areas around the school. Mrs Armstrong takes great pride in her work and I am sure you will agree that she does a great job in promoting the outdoors with the children.



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## READING AT BROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

At Brough Primary School, we believe that reading is one of the most important skills we can teach children. Not only does reading support them throughout their education and employment, it is also a great pastime to support with wellbeing, aiding relaxation.

Pupils in EYFS and KS1, have recently come home with new reading diaries. These include some ideas of how you can help your child on their reading journey, as well as record reading they have done at home. We do ask that these come back and forth between home and school and that the children have their reading book and diary with them each day in school.

On top of the e-books, which the children who are following Little Wandle Letters and Sounds for phonics have access to at home, children in Y1/2 will be bringing a sharing book home each week. These may contain words that the children are not quite able to read independently and are intended to be shared with a parent/carer to read, discuss and enjoy together.

Pupils in Y2 will be bringing home a reading book as well as the sharing book, and pupils in KS2 will have a reading book which will go between home and school.

Pupils in EYFS will have access to the e-book of the book they are sharing together in class and will be able to select a book, with a parent/carer, each week from the EYFS lending library.

For those of you would like to know a bit more about phonics and reading in EYFS, Y1 and Y2, don't forget that we have a parents' meeting at 6pm this Thursday (12<sup>th</sup>) where we will explain our approach to the teaching of phonics and early reading and answer any questions you may have.



## FOBS HALLOWEEN DISCO

FOBS are hosting this years Halloween Family Disco at Blackburn Leisure on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023 from 6pm – 8pm.

Tickets are £4 per person and must be purchased in advance via the Friends of Brough School facebook page. Please note that all children must be accompanied by a paying adult.

Please contact FOBS with any queries.



## YEAR 6 BOYS SOUTH HUNSLEY CLUSTER FOOTBALL – 03.10.23

After the postponement of the previous week's cross-country, the first sporting event of the new school year was the annual South Hunsley Cluster boys' football tournament.

We entered two teams to the tournament - one team made up of the majority of players who made it to the East Riding League Playoff Finals in Year 5 and the other team mostly made up of players experiencing tournament football for the first time. Both teams displayed increasing amounts of skill throughout their three group stage games and certainly plenty of spirit.

Unfortunately, after a nail-biting wait for the results to be calculated, both teams missed out on a place in the semi-finals. There were, though, plenty of positives to take from the performances and plenty of football to look forward to throughout the remainder of Year Six so hold your heads up high boys and use this experience as motivation at our next event!



## SOUTH HUNSLEY CROSS COUNTRY EVENT – 10.10.23

What a fantastic evening of running at South Hunsley School! In each of the different categories (Y3/4 boys, Y3/4 girls, Y5/6 boys and Y5/6 girls), we had somebody qualify for the East Riding Final to be held at Cottingham High School in a couple of weeks' time.

This exceeds our best performance at this event in recent years. An outstanding achievement for these pupils!

We also had some children within seconds of qualifying for the upcoming final and a lot of children running for the first time and telling me how excited they are already for next year's event!

Every competitor from Brough did our school proud and it was a real pleasure to watch. Congratulations to everyone involved!

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## DIARY DATES 2023-2024

### OCTOBER

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	Harvest Festival (details to follow)
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> :	Growing Up talks for Y6 pupils 6PM: Y5/6 Parent meeting for High Adventure & SATS
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> :	6pm: EYFS & Y1/2 Phonics Info Evening
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> :	Break up for half term
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> :	FOBS Halloween Disco (Blackies)

### NOVEMBER

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> :	Back to school
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> :	6pm: Y3/4 Maths Information Evening 7pm: Y5/6 Maths Information Evening
w/c 13 <sup>th</sup> :	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> :	Parents' Evening
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> :	Parents' Evening
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> :	Children in Need Flu vaccinations for the children
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> :	Y3/4 Diwali performance (pm)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> :	Y3/4 Diwali performance (evening)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> :	Non-uniform day (FOBS)

### DECEMBER

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	FOBS Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> :	EYFS performance to parents (pm) 6pm: Safeguarding Information Evening
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> :	Y1/2 performance to parents (pm)
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> :	Y1/2 performance to parents (pm)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> :	Break up

### JANUARY

Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> :	Back to school Young Voices
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### FEBRUARY

Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	NSPCC Number Day
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> :	Break up
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> :	Back to school

### MARCH

Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> :	World Book Day
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> :	Parents' Evening
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> :	Parents' Evening
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> :	Break up

### APRIL

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> :	Back to school
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### MAY

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> :	Closed for Bank Holiday
w/c 13 <sup>th</sup> :	Y6 SATs testing week
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> :	Y3/4 Sleepover at The Deep
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> :	Break up

### JUNE

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> :	Back to school
w/c 3 <sup>rd</sup> / 10 <sup>th</sup> :	Y4 Multiplication Tables Check
w/c 10 <sup>th</sup> :	Y1 Phonics Screening Check week
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> :	Y5/6 visit to High Adventure

### JULY

Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> :	Summer Soiree
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> :	Reports to parents out this week
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> :	Exhibition of Work evening
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> :	Break up