

**Honley C.E. (C)  
Infant & Nursery  
School  
November  
2011  
Newsletter**

Dear Parents

I am writing this Newsletter on Mrs. Lancaster's behalf as she underwent some planned surgery at the end of last half term. I am delighted to say that she is making a good recovery and should be back at work in a couple of weeks. In the meantime if you have any concerns or issues you would like to discuss please do not hesitate to contact myself or any member of staff.

We are already in the second half of the Autumn term and are beginning to make our preparations for our busiest time of year. In this newsletter I will include some reminders of dates leading up to Christmas.

### **FOHIS**

Preparations are now well underway for our Christmas Fair which will be held in school from **12.30pm-3.00pm on Sunday 27th November**. The committee are working really hard to prepare for the day and I am sure that it will be a really enjoyable family occasion. We are of course hoping that Santa will find time to join us so please come along and share the beginning of the Christmas season.

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November we will be holding a non-uniform day to generate stock for our chocolate tombola stall. Children are asked to bring a contribution for the stall in return for being allowed to come dressed as they please.

FOHIS will be sending out further details of how you can support the Christmas Fair in the coming weeks and I would encourage you to read these and to come along on the 27<sup>th</sup> for what is always a wonderful event.

### **NEW BABY**

Our congratulations go to Mrs. Carr and her husband on the birth of their baby son. William Seth was born on the 8<sup>th</sup> October weighing 8lbs 14ozs. Mum and baby are both doing really well.

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## **CHARITY DONATIONS**

Thank you also for your contributions to our Harvests appeal, the staff from the Methodist Mission were once again overwhelmed by your generosity and I know that your gifts will have gone directly to people suffering real hardship. The collection in church during the Key Stage 1 Harvest raised over £120 which is split between the church and the Diocesan appeal to buy goats for our link parish in Mara, Tanzania.

We are once again supporting the Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal and you should have received a leaflet with information about how you can participate in this event. If you are wondering where your shoebox goes and are able to donate the £2.50 online then Samaritan's Purse will email you the details of the final destination of your shoebox.

Poppies are also available to purchase in school. If you would like your child to buy a poppy please send them with a donation and we will ensure they receive a poppy.

We will not be having a special event for Children in Need as we have already asked for donations for Samaritan's purse and the Methodist Mission this term. If you would like to make a donation to Children in Need through school you may bring in a donation which we will forward to Children in Need on your behalf.

## **EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS**

As we get into the winter months the threat of snow becomes a possibility. In the event of heavy daytime snow please ring school and/or come to school early to collect your child. If there has been heavy overnight snow it may be necessary to close school. In this case please listen for announcements on Radio Leeds.

You will also find information about school closures on the Kirklees website [www.kirklees.gov.uk](http://www.kirklees.gov.uk) and we will post the information on our website [www.honleyinf.kgfl.digitalbrain.com](http://www.honleyinf.kgfl.digitalbrain.com).

We will also send out a text message to all who have registered a mobile phone number with us so please ensure that your contact details are up-to-date.

## **CHRISTMAS DATES**

FOHIS Christmas Fair	- Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> November - 12.30pm - 3.00pm
St Mary's Street Market	- Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December
Hurricane Theatre Group	- Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December
Afternoon Nursery Production	- Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December - 1.30pm (School hall)
Mrs. McCormick's Class Nativity	- Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December - 2.15pm (School hall)
Morning Nursery Production	- Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December - 9.30am (School hall)
Mrs. Adam's Class Nativity	- Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December - 10.15pm (School hall)
Key Stage 1 Nativity	- Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December - 2.00pm (St Mary's Church)
EYU Party	- Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December am & pm
Year 1 and 2 parties	- Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December am & pm
School Closes for Christmas	- Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December

Further details will be sent nearer the dates

## **LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR**

A position has become open for a permanent Lunchtime Supervisor to work in school. If you are interested this vacancy will be advertised on the Kirklees Council Website from the week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> November.

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

There are vacancies in the following clubs during the second half of this term:-

### **Gardening Club - Tuesdays - until 4.30pm**

Many exciting projects happening here, working both inside & outside, clay hedgehogs, fabric painting wall hanging, tyre planters and net with creeping flowers. All completed work will be used to enhance our school surroundings.

### **Bollywood Dance - Tuesdays - until 4.30pm**

The children will learn how to dance and move with an Indian rhythm and will gain access to a wide variety of Indian and Bollywood style music.

### **Athletics Club - Mondays - until 4.30pm**

A wide variety of games and skills are enjoyed in this club which is great fun.

Please call in at the school office for more details if you are interested in your child joining in one of the above clubs

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I know that Mrs. Lancaster and all the staff are looking forward to seeing you at the various events in the weeks leading up to Christmas.

Best wishes

Mrs. K. Atkinson  
Acting Deputy Head