



## Newton Hill Community School



Update: Term 2 2022/2023 End of Term 2

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Dear Parents & Carers,

We have had another busy half term at school. The children have been working incredibly hard and have produced some amazing work.

The whole school enjoyed our two visits from West Yorkshire Police this half term where children had the opportunity to speak with police officers. Children enjoyed the opportunity to sit on the police motorcycle and inside the police car.

Year 6 had an amazing time on their residential visit to Robin Wood – the staff at the site made so many positive comments about the children's lovely manners. Well done to Year 6, we are really proud of you!

The whole school enjoyed celebrating World Book Day. We had a lovely day where everyone took part in 'drop everything and read'.





All children have had the opportunity to take part in Forest School activities this term.  
Great activities outside!



## KS1 Art Competition

Key Stage 1 created an amazing collaborative piece of art based on the theme of 'More in Common' for a Spirited Art competition. Our entry was awarded a first prize. Our winning entry will be displayed in Wakefield Cathedral from 29.3.23 for two weeks which you are welcome to visit over the Easter break. Congratulations to our KS1 children!



## Music Lessons

Children in KS2 (Year 3,4 and 5) will receive a letter this week about music lessons through Wakefield Council Music Services. If your child is interested in receiving music lessons at school please complete the form and return it to school by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April. There will be a charge for the music lessons each term. Instruments will can also be loaned. The offer for Summer term would be for guitar, piano or violin lessons, with brass lessons available in September. Lessons would then continue through KS2.

## Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to our FOTS (Friends of the School) for organising our Easter Egg Hunt this week. It was lovely to see everyone at the event – thank you to everyone who took part.

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### Other messages:

To keep everyone safe, children are not allowed to ride bikes and scooters on the school premises. Thank you to all the children who walk with their scooters and bikes around the school

Before and after school – we ask that you stay with your child and supervise your child when you are waiting for the doors to open at 8:50am. Please can we ask that if you need to speak to a member of staff at the end of the school day, please wait until all children have been safely collected. Ball games are not allowed before or after school and children are not allowed to bring their own balls etc to school.

To allow our caretaker, Mr Butterill, to secure our site, we politely ask that you leave the premises promptly after drop off and pick up. Please use the path when using Fourth Ave rather than crossing the field. Thank you.

Assessment Calendar: Please ensure that unless your child is ill, they must be in school for these times. If your child is ill on the day of the Year 6 tests, please ring school in the morning to discuss alternative arrangements.

Date	Year Group	Assessment
Whole month of May 2023	Year 2	KS1 Assessments
9 <sup>th</sup> May – 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6	Statutory KS2 Assessments (SATs)
W/C 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1	Phonic Assessment
5 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4	Multiplication Times table Check (MTC)

Please visit the school website for more information and please do follow us on Twitter. Just follow us @Newton\_Hill\_Sch or visit [https://twitter.com/Newton\\_Hill\\_Sch](https://twitter.com/Newton_Hill_Sch)

Holidays can be a busy time for families. Wakefield Happy Healthy Holidays are offering some free activities which you may find useful (see below). Also attached is the Yorkshire Attraction Guide. Please try and take some time for yourself.



Wishing you a lovely Easter break. School reopens on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Kind regards,

Mrs Wheatley & all the staff at Newton Hill

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**Nutritious  
Food and  
Refreshments  
Provided**

**For  
Reception  
to Year 11**



# **Happy Healthy Holidays is back this Easter!**

Easter Holiday activities will be taking place across Wakefield between 3rd and 14th of April

Happy Healthy Holidays offers a range of exciting activities that are **FREE** to children and young people who are in receipt of and eligible for benefits-related free school meals

## **Get involved this school holiday**

**Sports & physical activities**

**Arts & Crafts**

**Fun Games**

**Nutritional Information**

**Connecting with others**

**Family Sessions**

**Trips**

**And so much more ....**

**Find and book FREE local activities by visiting:**

[www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/happy-healthy-holidays](http://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/happy-healthy-holidays)

or scan the QR Code



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# WAYS TO TAKE A BREAK

Listen to  
music or  
a podcast

Go for  
a walk

Have some  
screen-free  
time

Read a  
book or  
magazine

Talk to  
or text  
a friend

Make  
yourself a  
hot drink

Move  
your body

Doodle  
on a page

Have  
a nap

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# 10 things to boost your mental wellbeing

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be physically active



connect with other people



try to get enough sleep



do something for yourself



spend time being creative



spend time outside in fresh air



learn a new skill

relax and reduce stress levels



do something kind

talk about your feelings



# SELF-CARE ALPHABET

**A** aromatherapy



**B** buy flowers



**C** create



**D** declutter



**E** exercise

**F** finish something



**G** get some sun



**H** hydrate



**I** indulge a little

**J** journal



**K** knitting



**L** light a candle



**M** meditate

**N** nourish yourself



**O** organise



**P** pamper yourself



**R** read a book



**T** take a bath



**Z**  
zzz

**S** speak to old friends



**X** xoxo

**W** work-life balance



**Q** quiet time



**U** unplug



**V** volunteer



**Y** yoga



## **Attendance**

**Please can you let school know if your child is going to be absent from school.**

If we do not know the reason why your child is absent we will follow our procedures - this is a telephone call to all contacts and a home visit. If

we are unable to make contact we will refer the absence to the local authority. If you know your child is going to be absent please complete an absence request form (available from the school office). Please note holidays in term time are not permitted. If your child is absent from school please let the school office know as soon as possible by leaving a voicemail through the school telephone system or emailing [admin@newton-hill.org.uk](mailto:admin@newton-hill.org.uk). Thank you for your cooperation.



## **School Meals**

School meals for children in Reception and KS1 are FREE. If your circumstances have changed you may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) until Year 6. You can now apply on line at: <https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/free-school-meals>. If your child receives FSM the school will also receive additional funding to support your child.

## **School Uniform**

We have lots of uniform in our lost property bins - Please can we ask that all uniform/property is clearly labelled!

Thank you to everyone who follows our uniform expectations. The pre-loved uniform is always available – please contact Mrs Dundas for further information or support. We have a range of uniform – all ages. Please make use of the uniform available - all requests will be dealt with confidentially.

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## **Safeguarding**

If you have any safeguarding concerns or need any support or advice please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are: Mrs Wheatley, Mrs Whelerton, Mrs Luck, Mr Paine, Mrs Dundas, Mrs Myton and Miss Land.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/> This website offers advice and guides for parents which you may find useful.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

If you need support or advice you can contact Wakefield Social Care Direct on 0345 8 503 503. There are other numbers you may find useful on our school website under Safeguarding.

## **Mental Health Team**

We have a number of staff members who are mental health first aiders who can offer advice and support for your child and you. Please contact the school if you would like any support.





<u>Dates for your diary</u>	<u>Event</u>
INSET DAYS	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May (Polling Day) Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Additional Bank Holiday

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5 <sup>th</sup> June-9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1	Phonic Assessment
5 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4	Multiplication Times table Check (MTC)

### **Class Emails:**

<b>Class Teacher</b>	<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Contact Email</b>
Mrs Greaux & Mrs Luck (Assistant Headteacher/SENDCO)	Nursery	<a href="mailto:nursery2022@newton-hill.org.uk">nursery2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs Neal Mrs Austin (EYFS Leader)	Reception A Reception B	<a href="mailto:receptiona2022@newton-hill.org.uk">receptiona2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a> <a href="mailto:receptionb2022@newton-hill.org.uk">receptionb2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs Cooke	Year 1	<a href="mailto:year12022@newton-hill.org.uk">year12022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs Damton (KS1 Leader)	Year 1/2	<a href="mailto:year1-22022@newton-hill.org.uk">year1-22022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs Buttle	Year 2	<a href="mailto:year22022@newton-hill.org.uk">year22022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mr Paine (KS2 Leader)	Year 3/4 A	<a href="mailto:year3-4a2022@newton-hill.org.uk">year3-4a2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Miss Mosley	Year 3/4 B	<a href="mailto:year3-4b2022@newton-hill.org.uk">year3-4b2022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mrs Whelerton (Deputy Headteacher)	Year 5	<a href="mailto:year52022@newton-hill.org.uk">year52022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>
Mr Sharp	Year 6	<a href="mailto:year62022@newton-hill.org.uk">year62022@newton-hill.org.uk</a>

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May 2023						
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