



Hill Top News...

4th March 2010

House Points

W/e 12th Feb

Whitby: 181
Bridlington: 210
Scarborough: 183
Filey: 180

W/e 26th Feb

Whitby: 185
Bridlington: 184
Scarborough: 151
Filey: 202



Parents Evening

Thank you to all for your support for your child and the work we do during parents evening this week. The response and turn out was fantastic and yet more testament to the cohesive family that we have at Hill Top.

For those of you who were unable to attend we will do our best to rearrange meetings as it is vital that you receive up to date information on your child's progress. If there is anything that you feel that you did not get information on then please get in touch.

We hope also that you appreciated the presence of 'The Hub'. This is a fantastic citywide service that will assist and signpost families who may be looking for some support. Contact details will also be sent home with each child for you to use in your own privacy if you so wish.

Thank you also to the Friends of Hill Top who were able to showcase the support that they give school. If you can help them in any way or want to join the group then please get in touch.

We were also able to provide food tasting to allow you to sample some of the school lunches on offer. This goes hand in hand with the recent questionnaire so your feedback will be very useful. Thank you to Marie in particular for providing this opportunity. **D Grant**

Car Parking outside school

This continues to be a major problem. As a school we have tried just about every initiative going to reduce inappropriate parking and to reduce the risk to our children. This is something that we do not take lightly. You will have been aware of the presence of police officers who continue to support us for the very same reasons; they will continue to do this as part of their everyday work in the community. Thank you too to those of you who have also come to express your concerns.

As a school we are keen to address this in the most positive way that we can rather than seeing members of our community warned by police officers, but there are limits as to how tolerant we can all be.

One idea discussed has been a formation of a working party or action group made up of representatives from ALL community groups that could focus upon a road safety week, for example. Interested? Your thoughts and time would be very much appreciated.

On the reverse of this letter is the agreed plan for use of the Community Centre car park for both before and after school. Please notice that there are drop off zones—these are different to parking areas. We shall endeavour to obtain appropriate signage too.

Extension News!

As you will have seen, the building work is progressing well...the walls are growing and we await the roof trusses. Fingers crossed for warmer weather...!



Communication

Most of you will be aware that we are trialling a text message system for notifying you of emergency or unforeseen situations. You may well have even had a text and/or an e-mail! PLEASE let us know what you think of this service - your views are important in deciding whether to purchase the system. For it to operate efficiently please can you also make sure that ALL your contact details are up to date with the office.



Certificates

Well done to those children who received merit certificates in assembly recently. They are:

- Reception: Sophie Duffield, Emily Beasley
Year 1: Sarah Ellis
Year 2: Whole class for assembly, Jacob Allen
Year 3: Ryan Stead
Year 4: Joseph Lewis, Cameron West
Year 5: Rebecca Whitehead
Year 6: Jade Wilson

Headteacher certificates for the whole half term were awarded to:

- Reception: Lucy Dille
Year 1: Alfie Edwards
Year 2: Evie Abbott
Year 3: Abbie Farish
Year 4: Hannah Hutchinson-Knight
Year 5: Shannon McDermott
Year 6: Maisie Hyde



Vouchers

We are collecting again! Tesco, Sainsburys etc—you name it! Please bring any that you receive to the office where collection boxes are situated. Your support is appreciated.

Important dates

Class Assemblies:

Thursday 11th March	Y6
Thursday 18th March	R
Thursday 25th March	Y1
Wednesday 31st March - Easter (at St. Mary's, Woodkirk)	Y4

Training Days:

Thursday 1st April
Friday 28th May

Give it 100% in March

123 children achieved 100% attendance in this Education Leeds competition in November. Each received a small prize and Warren Jackson was lucky enough to win a bowling voucher. Let's do even better this month!

Attendance award

Last week's winners were Y3, AGAIN!
Well done!



FOHT News

The date of the summer fair has been arranged for Saturday 17th July.

There are also plans underway for a Bingo night sometime in May—watch this space!

There will also be a decorated egg competition before Easter. More details will follow.

World Maths Day

We have been asked for information on more websites etc. for children following their interest in World Maths Day. There are some weblinks on our website and also on the Leeds Learning homepage to which all children have access. We will let you know of any more that we find that are safe.

Give Blood...

We have received details and leaflets drawing attention to the fact that there is an opportunity to give blood on Tuesday 9th March. This will be between 2pm and 4pm and then from 5pm to 7.30pm at Tingley Methodist Church Hall in West Ardsley. To book an appointment call 0300 1232323

Website

Look out for improvements and a new look for our website soon! In the meantime, please be patient as our current version may not always be up to date.

Music and instrumental lessons

We are currently looking at our music provision for next year and considering whether any changes are needed. With this in mind, please could you send back any initial interest letters for instrumental lessons as soon as possible. These have been given to all children who already play an instrument as well as those who have expressed an interest. If your child does not already play an instrument but is interested then please contact Mrs Towler. We do need to be assured of a certain number of children taking up this opportunity to be able to offer this provision. Thank you.