

HFS Newsletter

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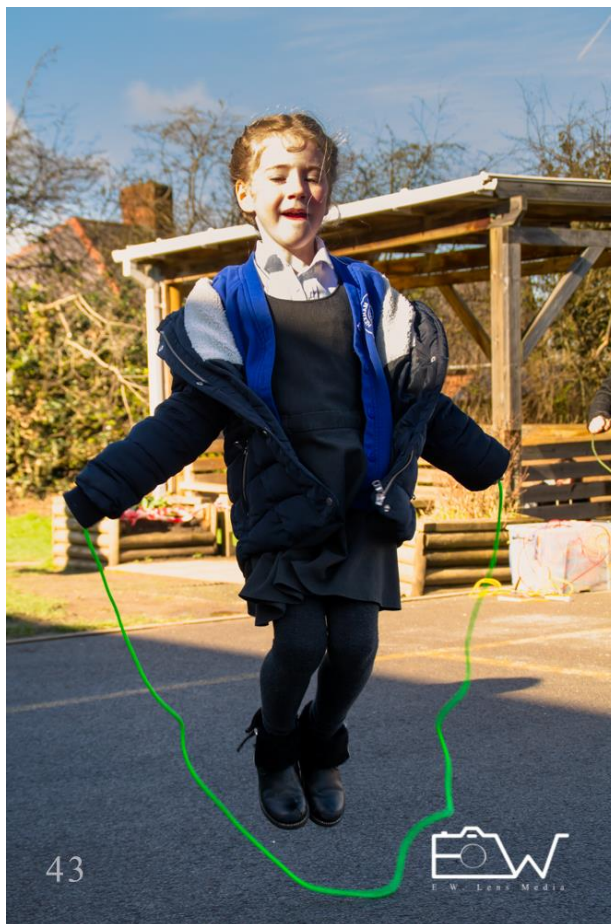
Hexham First School Website

We have had a local photographer visit us recently to take some up to date school shots for our website. They look great and we hope you enjoy going on to our website to have a better look.

www.hexhamfirst.co.uk – You can see them all at the bottom of the homepage and the first 'School Info' page. They're also on some of the parents pages too.

If you like a particular photo of your child you can now buy a copy of it. 6X4" photos cost £8 and 8X10" are £10. Just phone, email or pop into the school office. Make sure that it has a number and the photographer's logo at the bottom.

Here are just a few 😊



Tesco – Bags of Help!

Thank you to Hexham First School families and all in the community who have chosen to support Hexham First School with their blue tokens. We are one of three projects to pick until the end of April so please keep your tokens rolling in!

[Please vote for Hexham First!](#)

Times Tables Rock Stars!

Look out for new Rock star certificates handed out today. Some pupils have really taken this challenge on and I fear will reach 'Rock Star Status' before the adults!



Hexham First School – happy, healthy and aiming high

Easter

On Thursday 4th April Year 2, 3 and 4 enjoyed a day of Easter workshops at Hexham Trinity and Hexham Abbey. The Easter story was told in four parts and the children particularly enjoyed making crafts around the themes of joy, hope, love and forgiveness. Thank you to the staff at both venues for hosting us all day and special thanks to Isaac at Hexham Trinity for doing a special Easter service for Hexham First School.

School Development Targets

This year we are working on improving 5 key areas. Our targets are:

- 1) Maths – to adopt a whole school approach to mastery
- 2) Reading – to cultivate a love for reading
- 3) Technology – to ensure that staff have a secure understanding of the computing curriculum
- 4) Family learning – to promote other learning opportunities in school
- 5) Humanities – to learn key skills through having memorable learning experiences

Tennis

Year 3 represented our school in a Tyne Valley Tennis Competition in March. They got to compete in lots of games of tennis with other players from different schools. "I liked it when I was serving and passing. We made some friends from other schools," reported Aidan in Year 3.



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Golf

On Wednesday 3rd April, some Year 3 golfers went to Close House to take part in a Golf Competition, congratulations to them all on achieving 3rd place. The children really enjoyed the warm up games and activities and of course, their game of golf. Hope from Hexham First School was the only player to score a bullseye on Number 10! Hope recommends Close House as a great venue to go and play golf. "Wednesday was a great day because all of the golf tasks were really fun," commented Hope Cooper.

Dates for the diary:

April

Friday 5th April – School closes for Easter holidays.

Tuesday 23rd April – Back to school after Easter holidays.

Thursday 25th April – Royal Institute Science Show, 6pm. Tickets now sold out.

May

Wednesday 1st May – Year 4 to Robinwood

Friday 3rd May – Year 4 returning from Robinwood (5pm approximately)

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday

Friday 10th May – Year 3 and 4 Opera North Workshop in school

Friday 17th May – Summer Fayre – 2:30 – 4:30pm

Friday 24th May – Last day at school

June

Monday 3rd June – Back to school after half term

Friday 7th June – Class photographs.

Friday 21st June – Year 3 and 4 performing at the Queen's Hall – Wonderland Restored. 6pm show.

Wednesday 26th June – Crystal Conundrum (Maths workshops) in school. Year 4's rounders trip at their new middle school (HMS & St Joe's).