



# AUTUMN TERM 2018

# NEWSLETTER

## Welcome!

Dear Parents, Carers, Governors, Friends, Staff and Pupils,

Welcome back to school after the Summer holidays. The children have impressed us so much already with their hard work and effort; the children have settled really well into their new classes.

This term's topic is 'Get Lost in a Book' and the immersive learning pods are looking fabulous with an enchanted forest in KS1, a stone age camp in Y3/4 and a space station in Y5/6. Parents with children in Y1 and above will now already have had the chance to come in and work alongside your child in the classroom. We will be holding more workshops as the year goes on.

We will be offering lots of clubs in the Autumn term, including: Singing, Film, Athletics, Minecraft, Revision, Times Table Rockstars, Lego and Zumba.

Our new EYFS children have been absolute superstars - what a fantastic group of children to join our school. It really has been a busy start to the year already!

We welcome Miss Staines and Miss Jones who are joining our teaching team in Year 5. We are delighted to have them in our school family.

*Jane Marson*

## Information

### MEETINGS FOR PARENT/CARERS OF YEAR 2 AND YEAR 6

Meeting for Y6 parents on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm  
Meeting for Y2 parents on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm

Parents/Carers of Year 2 and 6 children will be aware that in 2019 the children will be assessed against national expectations. Parent/Carers are invited to attend a meeting designed to explain what to expect and how best pupils and Parents/Carers can be prepared for these tests and assessments.

Year 6 tests will be taken in the week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 **Please note absence will not be unauthorised for Year 6 pupils in May for any reason.**

## **DON'T FORGET THE BLOG/TWITTER**

Just a reminder to Parents/Carers that the school website is full of useful information and links. The blogs and twitter feed is a great way of seeing what your children have been up to forming an electronic diary of photographs showing special events and classroom activities in the school. It forms a wonderful record of life at Christopher Pickering Primary School.

## **PLATINUM AWARD**



We are thrilled to announce that Christopher Pickering are the first primary school to be awarded the schools game platinum award. Mr Morgan attended an awards ceremony on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September.

Our school games organiser said about Christopher Pickering..

*'The schools holistic approach to delivering physical activity in line with the CMOs guidelines is evident in the many different initiatives and programs up and running within the school, demonstrating their commitment to providing their students with a variety of opportunities to be active throughout their school day.*

*Christopher Pickering have excelled particularly in the delivery of Change4Life Sports Clubs and act as a fantastic example to other schools within my area when promoting this initiative . The school delivers a different club each day to a targeted group of children from all year groups throughout the week.*

*The school has not only engaged with our local initiatives (Hull Schools Stand Up, Change4Life) but have also seen national coverage as the launch school for BBCs Super Movers. The school has successfully introduced regular 'active breaks' throughout their day to encourage the break up of time spent sedentary and have managed to launch the Daily Mile too.*

*The school regularly attends our School Games competitions and have been crucial in our SGO areas development of inclusive sport through their continued support and attendance with lower ability students. Their extra-curricular program is substantial and tailored to suit their students needs regardless of ability, gender or background.*

*As a school games organiser I am in regular contact with the school. This contact is not just with their PE coordinator, but several members of school staff who share different responsibilities when it comes to school activity and sport. This demonstrates to me that the schools approach to physical activity and sport is not solely driven by one member of staff, but is an integral part of their staff ethos across the school.*

*Receiving the platinum award for 2017/18 would reflect the outstanding commitment and whole school approach to delivering PE'*

We would not have been able to achieve this without our outstanding PE co-ordinators at school – Well done Mr Morgan and Mrs Sanford!

## BEGINNING AND END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

The doors open for children to come into school at 8.40am. They open at the end of the day at 3.10pm for Foundation Stage children and 3.20pm for all other children.

At the beginning of the day, if a Parent/Carer wishes to get a message to a member of staff please do come to the reception desk and the message will be delivered. There is also a member of staff on duty on all of the doors. If after school or in an emergency before school a Parent/Carer needs to see a teacher, again please report to the reception desk. Here visitors can be properly signed in and arrangements can be made to speak to staff.

### School Dates

<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Hull Daily Mail New Starter Photos
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October</b>	Parents' Evening
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Parents' Evening
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	Harvest Festival
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Individual School Photos
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Children In Need
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</b>	Christmas Fair
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Carol Concert
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Flu Vaccinations (FS2-Y5)
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	FS Nativity (9:30am) KS1 Nativity (1:30pm)
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	FS Nativity (1:30pm)
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	KS1 Nativity (9:30am)
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Y3/4 Christmas Party
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Y1/2 Christmas Party
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	FS Christmas Party
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Disco
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Y5/6 Christmas Party

### School Holiday Dates

Autumn Term 2018	School opens	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September
	School closes for half term	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October
	School opens	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> November
	School closes for Christmas	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
Spring Term 2019	School opens	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January
	School closes for half term	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February
	School opens	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February
	School closes for Easter	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April
Summer Term 2019	School opens	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April
	School Closed for Bank Holiday	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May
	School closes for half term	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May
	School opens	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
	School closes for Summer	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July