



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to our first Froebel House Newsletter of 2019. The purpose of the newsletter is to serve as a vehicle to communicate regularly with the community about what is happening within the school as well as any other educational information we feel will help with your child's education and wellbeing. The newsletter also provides a good platform for notices and reminders of upcoming events to ensure we are all planning for the weeks ahead. Your attention to the notices and reminders within is greatly appreciated.

Best wishes,

Mr. Roberts (Headteacher)

## Quote of the day

**"Let parents bequeath to their children not riches, but the spirit of reverence."**

– Plato

## Worthy of Praise

### WHAT IS WORTHY OF PRAISE?

Worthy of Praise is an opportunity for the school to recognise students who have made a noteworthy contribution to the school, each week, during our Monday morning assembly. Each teacher, when discussing the class and their merit cards, selects a student whom they believe deserves to be recognised school-wide for their efforts.

A 'Worthy of Praise' candidate has met one or more of the following criteria:

- Demonstrating a genuine caring and responsible attitude towards others
- Demonstrating and practising an improved positive attitude to learning throughout the week
- Working independently to improve their academic performance through effort and perseverance, having struggled to do so in the past
- Modelling the behavioural expectations of the school throughout the school
- Demonstrating good manners, polite behaviour and genuine acts of kindness towards other members of the class and school community

I would like to congratulate the following students for being singled out for 'Worthy of Praise' during September and October:

**Reception:** Florence Ledger (x2), Miguel Musakanya, Oakley Hewitson, Zuriel Thompson, Malachi Sakyi, Fraser Osgerby, Aarav Ponmurugan

**Year 1:** Mia Matongorere, Ethan Skelly, Amy Roberts, Raimah Husain, Eva Adu-Agyei, Imogen Westwood, Isobel Dearing

**Year 2:** Ivanna Mathews, Georgiana Pooley, Zaid Sami, Scarlett Lane, Angel Sibanda, Shree Krishnan, Ranulph Strickland

**Year 3:** Daisy Gadd, Eliza Saunders, Lotanna Ezeike, Felix Robins, Tristan Boakye, Eva Roberts, Joshua Long

**Year 4:** Nii Okine Thompson, Joshua Botlhoko, Olivia Harding, Kyra Douthwaite, Sarah Solaiman, Farukh Razzaq, Alexandra Davy

**Year 5:** Millicent Docker, Imogen Peters, Yasemin Aydemir, Anabelle Pennack, Abigail Gardham, Yohan Khanshir, Emre Gerbaga

**Year 6:** Jessica McGurran, William Harding, Zain Bhamji, Evelyn Spencer, Lydia Alex, Reuben Scott

# Hull History Centre

Y5 have thoroughly enjoyed their History lessons throughout last term. We have been learning about the character and actions of Henry the Eighth including the reasons behind his 6 marriages. Hull has a lot to offer in terms of learning experiences outside of the classroom, including Hull History Centre, which we visited on Wednesday, 14th November.

*"We got to see behind the scenes and there are so many documents it can cover the Humber Bridge and back nine times!"* – **Tyler**

*"I couldn't believe we got to see really old documents that Henry the Eighth himself actually signed. I was speechless – it was a once in a lifetime opportunity. You never know what will happen to the things you write hundreds of years later."* – **Annabelle**

*"We learnt about crime, trade, defence and rebellion. It was epic!"* – **Zyana**

*"I loved seeing people in the library tracking down their family history."* – **Millicent**

*"You are not going to believe it but my classmate, Kyra, got to hold a document which Henry the Eighth held."* – **Yasemin**

*"I had an amazing time at Hull History Centre in Hull. I hope we can do something like it next year."* – **Yohan**

*"My favourite part was when we went around all the tables and worked together in teams. I just wish we had more time!"* – **Abigail**

*"It was a really good trip. Thank you, teachers."* – **Isabella**

*"We actually got to touch the actual letter the King read to Hull. I think it is unbelievable! I loved it!"* – **Emre**

*"We got to go places (in the centre) normal visitors could not go."* – **Joshua**

*"We went behind the scenes..."* – **Imogen**

*"Amazing, great, enjoyable, mind-blowing."* – **Ahmed, Saad, Peaches and Lena**

*"We wrote our questions and stuck them on the wall."* – **Zainab**

*"Really good fun and educational."* – **Isabelle**

So, as you have heard from the pupils themselves – a very worthwhile and enjoyable visit. It was magical experience, as the past was literally placed into our hands – Mrs. Langley.

## Being prepared for class

### STATIONERY

We still have some students who do not have the stationery they need to fully participate in lessons. I cannot emphasise enough how frustrating it is when students hold up class instruction because they haven't got a rubber, a ruler or a pencil sharpener!

Please check against the lists below and, where you have gaps, please fill in accordingly.

The following items are essential so please ensure that your child has them in his/her pencil case:

**Years 4, 5 and 6:** Scissors, large glue stick, coloured pencils, pen, compass, 30 cm ruler, white rubber and canister pencil sharpener.

**Years 2 and 3:** Scissors, glue stick, felt tips, coloured pencils, 30 cm ruler, white rubber and canister pencil sharpener.

**Year 1:** Coloured pencils, glue stick, white rubber and canister pencil sharpener.

**Reception:** Pencil crayons, pencil case, large glue stick and a rubber.

**NB. Tippex is not allowed in school.**

## After School Payments

As per the last newsletter, and to ensure all After School payments are recorded accurately, all after school payments must now be paid either by cheque or cash only and sent to school in a **sealed envelope with your child's name clearly written on the front of the envelope**. In doing this, the office can track and record payments much more accurately and thereby we can ensure parents are not being presented with bills, having already paid them!

Please do not pay any after school fees by direct bank transfer.

## School Drop Offs and Pick Ups

Please note that, due to vehicles backing up to the white fence and narrowly missing pedestrians and residents complaining to both the council and the police, bollards have now been introduced to the front of the school and will be a permanent fixture. No end of notices and polite reminders have fallen upon deaf ears and, with the children's safety being of paramount importance, it was critical that something effective was done to prevent vehicles parking on double yellow lines and reversing on to the pavement in front of the school. Your understanding is appreciated.

# Froebel House and our Nut Free policy

At Froebel House school, we strive to provide a safe learning environment for all students. Due to some of our pupils suffering with life threatening nut allergies, Froebel decided to formulate a policy towards items that contain nuts (or are labelled 'may contain nuts').

Having read about information relating to schools that didn't have a nut free policy in place and heart-breaking situations some of the communities found themselves in, it was a 'no brainer'. It's important to know that an allergic reaction (anaphylactic shock) can occur through ingestion of nut products, cross contamination and breathing nut dust in the air.

Since this condition can be life threatening, we are asking all members of the school community for their help in minimising the risk to these children by:

- a) Avoiding giving children nuts or nut products in their packed lunches.
- b) Avoiding giving nuts or nut products or snacks/bars containing nuts for break time snacks
- c) Avoiding supplying the school with cakes or food items containing nuts for birthday celebrations, sales or events. I have included below pictures of an excellent 'nut free' cake that parents have brought in for birthday celebrations. These cakes are available from Asda.
- d) Avoiding sending containers such as cereal boxes for art lessons into school which may have contained produce made with nuts. We do acknowledge that many foods are labelled as 'may have been produced in a factory handling nuts and cannot be guaranteed to be nut free'. Such items will be not be allowed in school.

Please note, where a member of staff notices a pupil eating a nut product, the product will be removed, and the member of staff will explain why this must be done. A message will then be sent to the parent to explain what has happened, so they are fully informed and to remind them of the nut free policy. Due to the severity of the problem, it is important that all parents carry out the suggested measures and reduce the risk of allergic reaction to these children.



I realise this is not convenient to all, but it is a necessary and responsible precaution to ensure the safety and safeguarding of some of our community members. I know that, as a parent, if my child was to find itself in a situation where nuts could threaten their life, my expectation of the school, would be to have an approach and a policy in place. Your support and understanding are appreciated.

## OFSTED February 2019:

Please follow the link below to our most recent OFSTED report.

[View OFSED report >](#)

## School Uniform

Please note, the school uniform is our identity and is compulsory. We still have a few students who don't have waterproofs, which prevents them from going outside when wet and some students who have not found time to purchase the hoody, which is integral to them being outside when cold and enjoying their lesson. Please ensure all children have the correct uniform.

For us to ensure all lost uniform items return to their rightful owner, it's imperative all items of clothing are **clearly labelled**. Your support in this regard is greatly appreciated.

## Congratulations and well done!

Well Done to Pranav for taking first Prize!



Well done to Isabella who won the silver trophy for excellence at junior level at Hull Gymnastics Academy.







# The Winter Festival

This was the first time we have used the Hull Minster as a venue and the feedback across the board, was extremely positive.

The staff and I were extremely proud of the children who performed exceptionally well on the day and in doing so, did the Froebel Community proud! I would also like to thank Miss Pocklington for the hours and hours of hard work that went into preparing the whole school, and to the staff and parents who supported on the day. We had just over 330 members of the Froebel community join the children, which really made the occasion not only special, but really inclusive, representative of our diverse community on the whole. Brilliant!



# The Hull Junior Open Art Exhibition 2018

The Hull Junior Open Art Exhibition is open to students, aged from 3 to 15 years from Hull and the East Riding. Two local art societies have sponsored this exhibition for some time and were delighted to select prize winners and present Awards again this year to the three different age groups.



Nearly 350 works of art have been hung in the light, bright studio at the Ferens Art Gallery, including drawings, collage, photographs and paintings. It is not easy to choose special awards from this delightfully colourful and varied range of work!

When it comes to the youngest competitors, (children under seven), creativity, use of colour and sheer exuberance play a part in deciding the winners. The largest section is that of the 7-11 year olds, where the management of materials, composition and draughtsmanship are added to the criteria.

The 12-15-year olds always demonstrate a high level of technical skill, and this year's field was a big group, showing some impressive levels of mature ability and talent.

On Saturday, 1st December an enthusiastic audience of children, parents and family, are crammed into the Ferens studio. The prize winners turn up to be given a large certificate and a voucher, to loud applause. The winner of the third prize for the under sevens has to be carried through the crowd- she is only three- and when she is deposited on the ground, she gives herself a huge round of applause. Quite right, too!

It is very enjoyable – and very challenging- to select the award winners. It should be noted that on a different day a completely different work might have been chosen by the selection panels.

However, it is extremely difficult to have a work of art hung in the Ferens. This really is some achievement. It is extremely difficult to have a work of art selected by this important Gallery. Only last year, it exhibited the Turner prize entries!

The Junior Open is a great occasion, with a serious function. As art funding and provision in schools becomes less and less of a 'priority' in the education budget, this opportunity to encourage our children to realise the joy of art and to pursue their creative aptitude becomes ever more significant. If just one of today's young artists goes on to achieve

recognition and success in the creative field, we will have made a difference.

Michelle Lewis (Organiser and Judge)

Please note, the following students who entered the Hull Open Junior Art Exhibition were selected to have work displayed at the Ferens Art Gallery which is now currently displayed in the main hall in school.

Congratulations to the following students who had work displayed.

Year 1 - Dubem Onuchukwu

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Year 1 - Amy Roberts

Year 2 - Henry Osgerby

Year 3 - Daisy Gadd

Year 3 - Hannah Chazuka

Year 6 - Bella Stanforth

A special mention must go to Dubem Onuchukwu who won first prize for his self – portrait. Well done Dubem!



# Thought of the day:

## TWO WOLVES – A CHEROKEE PARABLE

“An old Cherokee chief was teaching his grandson about life...

‘A fight is going on inside me,’ he said to the boy.

‘It is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves.

One is evil – he is anger, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, self-doubt, and ego.

The other is good – he is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion, and faith.

This same fight is going on inside you and inside every other person, too.’

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather,

‘Which wolf will win?’

The old chief simply replied,

‘The one you feed.’

~ Author Unknown



## Term dates 2019

### Spring Term 2019

<b>Starts</b>	Tuesday, 8 January 2019
<b>Ends</b>	Friday, 5 April 2019 @ 12.00 noon

### Half Term

<b>Starts</b>	Monday, 18 February 2019
<b>Ends</b>	Friday, 22 February 2019

Half term is inclusive of the dates above. Return to school on Monday, 25th February 2019.

**Note:** Good Friday 19 April 2019. Easter Monday 22 April 2019.

### Summer Term 2019

<b>Starts</b>	Wednesday, 24 April 2019
<b>Ends</b>	Friday, 5 July 2019 @ 12.00 noon

### Half Term

<b>Starts</b>	Monday, 27 May 2019
<b>Ends</b>	Friday, 31 May 2019

Half term is inclusive of the dates above. Return to school on Monday, 3rd June 2019.

**Note:** Bank holiday 6 May 2019.