



# Hipswell Church of England

## Primary School

### Spring Newsletter

March 2024

Dear parents,

It has been a short but action-packed spring term at Hipswell. Our extra-curricular clubs have been a great success including animation, multi-sports, art and crafts, tag-rugby, sewing and forest school. Mrs. Walker and I have been incredibly proud of our sewing superstars who have demonstrated real perseverance when developing their skills - by the final week, we were not really needed!



Monday mornings remain the highlight of the week when I have hot chocolate with our weekly certificate winners!



Please see the back page for upcoming dates and some key reminders. We hope that you have a lovely Easter and look forward to seeing you when school reopens to the children on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2024.  
Miss Ewbank

### Visits

There have been some exciting visits and visitors this term including Reception's Mother's Day visit to the park, Year 1 and 2's day at Beamish, Year 3 spent a morning with the Yorkshire Dales Rivers Trust, Year 5 and 6 have enjoyed their Forest School sessions and Year 6 visited Catterick Racecourse to complete a series of maths challenges. The whole school enjoyed Power Down Pete's visit and as a result have been proactive in taking steps to protect the environment. Well done to Year 1 for winning the Eco-Council's first prize for being the most environmentally friendly class.





## Month of the Military Child

During the first week back, we will be celebrating the Month of the Military Child. On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April, children are invited to wear something purple. On this day, we also invite families to join us for a sausage sandwich breakfast in the hall from 8:00am which will be £2 per person. We hope that you are able to join us.

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### Number Day



On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, the whole school celebrated Number Day by dressing up and participating in a range of number-based activities. Miss Clark organised 3 estimation stations around school which brought out the children (and adults'!) competitive streaks!

### World Book Day



On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, Hipswell transformed into an array of wonderful book characters to celebrate the wonders of children's literature! From Harry Potter to Spider Man, we had it all covered!

### Hipswell Warrior winners!

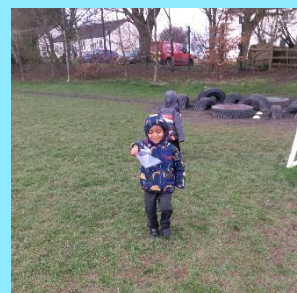
The spring term joint winners were the Fusiliers and the Colonels, well done children! Their reward was a visit from Crazy Creatures North East.





## Easter Egg Hunt and Raffle!

The children have thoroughly enjoyed our Easter Egg Hunt this week, some lucky children even found the 'golden egg'! Thank you to Mrs. Waller for organising our Easter Hamper raffle and the generosity of our staff (past and present) for donating the prizes. We were incredibly proud of a Year 6 pupil who was picked out twice but agreed that someone else should have a chance at winning - our vision in practice!



## Reminders

### School day

The school day begins at 8:50am (with the gates opening from 8:45am) and ends at 3:20pm. Please note that if your child is collected late, you may incur a charge for Fun Club.

### Allergies

We have a number of children in school with allergies therefore we ask that children do not bring food items such as sweets and cakes into school for their class/friends.

### Uniform

Please ensure your child wears their smart school uniform daily and has their PE kit available in school. Our uniform policy is available on our website. For their own safety, children are not allowed to wear jewellery. If ears are pierced, small studs may be worn. These must be removed during PE lessons. Please only pierce children's ears at the start of the summer holidays so that they do not miss PE lessons.

### Dates for your diary

Class photos	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Month of the Military Child - wear something purple and breakfast in the hall.	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 from 8:00am
Reception and Key stage 1 sports afternoon	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
Key stage 2 sports afternoon	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2024